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# THE MESSAGE.

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"NOT BY MIGHT NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT."

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## OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

TO THE W. C. T. U. MEMBERSHIP OF IND.:—  
In compliance with a duty placed upon your Central Committee by action taken at our recent State Convention the following information and propositions are submitted to our White Ribbon Comrades for consideration and action.

The conditions to be considered have grown out of the action of the Convention.

The following resolution with motion to adopt was offered by Mrs. Bates, President of Morgan County, and seconded by Miss Lenore Ayers, Supt. of the newspaper department of the Organizer:

WHEREAS, The subscription list of the past ten years shows that this organization has failed to give adequate support to the Organizer, therefore,

Resolved, That the Organizer Publishing Company be released from further obligation in publishing this paper as the official organ of the W. C. T. U.

After a thorough discussion the motion was adopted by a large vote of the Convention.

By a subsequent action of the Convention the Central Committee was authorized to make provision for a State W. C. T. U. paper provided this could be done "without incurring a debt to the State" and provided further by action of the Post Executive that such an annual subscription list be secured as will insure against said debt.

Realizing the great need of having the *Union Signal*, our World's and National paper in the hands of the W. C. T. U. members as well as having a medium of communication in our State, the Central Committee decided to plan for the issuing of a small monthly paper at the lowest price possible. In accordance with these conditions at a meeting of the said committee held Nov. 6th, 1896; an offer obtained from the Organizer Publishing Company for printing a four page monthly paper received favorable consideration.

By mutual consent it was decided that in order to make the establishment of such a paper possible at a very low price (without any funds on hands) the committee would divide among its members the work of editing and managing. Accordingly the following arrangements were made for editing:

First page, Official, Mrs. McWhirter; Second page, Departments, Mrs. Vayhinger; Third page, Hadley School, Trustees; Fourth page, Local and County Unions, Mrs. Balch. Supervising editor, Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Balch. The Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson, to have charge of the business management.

Thus with the gratuitous services of the committee there will be no expense for services except for hiring a mailing clerk and the delivery of papers from printing office.

Cash must be paid for the printing in order to get it done at low figures and cash for postage.

The opinion of the committee is that if the paper is established at a low price and meets the demands of the work it will be sustained. We therefore submit to you this sample copy of "THE MESSAGE," our possible State organ, at a subscription price of thirty-five cents per

single annual subscription and twenty-five cents per annual subscription in clubs of twelve or more.

Upon careful estimate we find that to sustain this paper under the present conditions a subscription representing a fair per cent of the membership in the State will be necessary.

For another year at this subscription price fully 3000 annual subscribers will be necessary for financial independence.

We have said our possible State organ advisedly, for the little paper you hold in your hand is not possible at the club rates named, unless a fair proportion of our members take it. If the paper is generally taken by our membership it will be a happy, cheerful, independent little MESSAGE, borne about on its own wings wafting good tidings to all.

The Convention and Post-executive have very carefully placed limitations for your committee, saying in substance, Publish a paper without incurring a debt to the State. Do not proceed with this work until a sufficient paid subscription list has been secured.

So we await your action. It remains with you, dear co-workers, to say by your effort, whether or not this shall be the last issue of "THE MESSAGE".

Inasmuch as we all appreciate the necessity of having a means of communication, will we not go to work at once and labor earnestly to secure a club or a subscription list equal to the membership of each local Union. Send subscription list and money by Jan. 15th, 1897, to our State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Will not the County and Local Presidents start the work, having planned to have it prosecuted in a prompt and systematic manner?

If the required subscription list is not received, the money forwarded for subscriptions will be subject to the order of local Union or individual sending it.

Trusting that even the approaching Holiday season may not delay action or divert us from this important work.

By order of the Central Committee,  
MRS. LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER, Pres.  
MRS. MATTIE O. CAMMACK, Sec'y.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR SISTERS:—The news from the field is most encouraging. I am rejoicing because of the broadening of our work and the widening of its influence. The National Convention at St. Louis was most inspiring. Every State and Territory, except Alaska, I believe, was represented. How I longed to have all the Indiana white ribboners, so loyal and true, see and feel the influence of that most wonderful Convention. That could not be; but I am glad to know that forty-two Indiana members, besides the fourteen voting delegates were in attendance. Badges were furnished to all delegates. For our Indiana visitors we provided what proved to be an insufficient number of white ribbon badges with the word "Indiana" printed in large letters. The sight of an "Indiana" badge in the immense Convention among so many thousands of people caused a

peculiarly pleasant sensation to a Hoosier. The St. Louis Y. W. C. A. building was headquarters for the Indiana visitors.

In those beautiful autumn days the bands of ribbon white with loving tenderness were wound closer around our hearts and friendships made that will last forever.

We returned with renewed consecration to the cause, and greater determination to push the conflict for God and Home, for Purity and Prohibition.

In this busy time pardon me if I take this means of expressing my sincere gratitude to the many friends who have sent me loving messages and pledges of loyalty to the work.

For the State Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson, I bespeak the same kind consideration and loyal support that you extended for three years to me. Mrs. Whitson's great heart and self-sacrificing nature are fully consecrated to the W. C. T. U. By her fine executive and financial ability, she will, by your support, lead Indiana in financial victory.

Hoping that at noon each day you will remember to ask our Father to bless our State work and workers.

I am faithfully,  
LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER.

## FROM THE SECRETARY.

WHITE RIBBON COMRADES:—"As having nothing, and yet possessing all things."

Organization comes first in the order of our service. There are over seven hundred towns in our State of over one hundred inhabitants who do not know our gospel. Shall we go ever and possess these towns? Yes, it would be a great task for one or two persons, but if each County President will gather about her, her executive committee and plan for her county, calling on the Superintendent of Organization for the State, and the State Organizer for such help as they may need, this wise division of labor will make it a small matter. While in executive council, lay hold of the financial part of the work and settle it, by planning for each Union to give a certain sum for this one important business. The money to be made by Suffrage, W. C. T. U. or Demorest Contests, personal solicitation, honorary membership dues, free will offerings, any way except to feed the stomach except according to the laws of health. I give you my right hand to do one woman's best to possess the land. Every one who responds, amen, count me there too. Write me a postal card.

MARY E. BALCH.

## TREASURER'S LETTER.

DEAR COUNTY AND LOCAL TREASURERS:—It is with pleasure I greet you, dear sisters, through this, the first issue of THE MESSAGE. Many of you are strangers to me except through the common tie that binds all W. C. T. U's together. It is a pleasure to me to write to personal friends. It is a greater pleasure to receive the return message. So I've decided to write you all a personal letter some time in the near future and as I receive the replies be they business or otherwise, may I not consider you all my personal friends banded together to work with untiring energy to make our special line of work the most successful of our any?

To insure success in any line of work, promptness is very necessary. The Report Blanks were mailed to you Dec. 1st; if you have not received them please notify me at once and others will be sent by return mail.

Wishing you all the greatest success in the collection of dues for this quarter,

I am sincerely yours,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON, State Treasurer.  
1745 N. Meridian St.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT'S.

DEAR SISTERS:—There is no part of the great W. C. T. U. machinery more important than the departments. They are the great arms which reach out among outsiders and do the work which makes better public sentiment. How important that these arms be long and strong and quick to seize every opportunity to do this work. Have you many of these strong arms in your Union? If not, you are not doing all it is your privilege to do. If you have a department which is accomplishing nothing, it is because something is wrong with your local superintendent of that department. If you can not possibly stir her up to do something, change at once. If you are a local superintendent, remember that you virtually promised when you accepted the place, to do something and do it to the best of your ability; and do not try to underestimate your ability. We can do much better than we think we can, if we but have push and heart for the work, and are ready to grasp the opportunity when it comes.

The work of the past year was crippled because some local superintendents did not do their duty. Let us do better this year and keep an accurate account of what we do, and then REPORT.

CULLA VAYHINGER.

### MEDAL WORK.

This department may become a financial helper to all the others if they choose to avail themselves of its aid. It may be the right hand of power to the Narcotic Department if each Narcotic local superintendent will hold a Narcotic Contest. The Woman Suffrage Contests are logically a part of the Suffrage Department. It naturally seems akin to the L. T. L. and no work that the children may engage in will produce better results. Please read the medal report in the Minutes of 1896 and take note of the premiums offered. United effort will make this year's record to surpass all others. Will we try? Order all supplies from the State Superintendent and write her for full particulars and rules.

MARY E. BALCH, State Sup't.  
56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### UNFERMENTED WINE.

Christ, our passover, was sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast, dear co-workers.

We are greatly encouraged in this work, so many churches are awakened to the importance of keeping the Lord's table free from alcoholic wine. Let us press the work in this department until every denomination in our State shall banish the fermented wine from the sac-

rament. Let your reports show how many churches are free from this evil.

Yours for the work,

MRS. J. R. WOOD.

56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### HEALTH, HEREDITY AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

The best safe-guard against sin and intemperance is a healthy body.

The desires for strong drink and evil doing are abnormal desires.

Daily attention to proper food, baths, fresh air, and above all exercise, should be the program of every W. C. T. U. worker. Exercise that will send the blood to all parts of the body to feed and nourish each part.

Headaches, neuralgia, rheumatism, dyspepsia, biliousness, etc., could be kept away by proper exercise.

It will be the effort of the Physical Culture department, to secure such laws as will require systematic exercises taught in all our public schools, so that we will have healthy, vigorous boys and girls, strong enough to conquer temptations as they occur along life's pathway.

Many are the examples of vigorous old men and women who have taken the proper exercise throughout life. We need young people at seventy-five years. We can have them in the future years if the laws of health are practiced now.

Do not let a meeting pass without doing something to better the health of our W. C. T. U. members. Talk health, read about it, lecture on the subject, agitate it in all ways possible.

Yours for a better life through health,

CLARA AGNES BOYD, State Supt.  
Rockville, Ind.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Joseph Cook says "The Sabbath is the only pillar of fire that can lead us out of communism, socialism, and the political dangers of universal suffrage." Col. Forney wrote to his paper in Philadelphia from Paris, "This is Paris on Sunday. When that day of rest is dishonored in America as it is here, freedom will have gone from us forever." Rev. Wilbur Crafts says: "America must restore her Sabbath or she is ruined." Sabbath desecration, impurity and intemperance are so closely related that it is impossible to strike effectively at the latter two without also striking at the first one. One of the most cunning devices which satan uses to deaden conscience, to paralyze all the activities of Christians and to neutralize all the blessed influences of the Sabbath, is the Sunday newspaper. If each Union in Indiana would appoint a good superintendent of Sabbath Observance and she would work against the Sunday paper in every way possible, the sale of papers would decrease wonderfully before next Convention.

Have a public meeting with papers on the evil effects of the Sunday paper and follow it up with a pledge not to buy, read or in any way patronize it. Let us all unite this year in a crusade against the Sunday paper.

For literature on Sabbath Observance, send to Mrs. J. C. Bateham, Williamsburg, Ky.

MRS. CULLA VAYHINGER,  
State Sup't.

### Y'S AT STATE CONVENTION.

The Y Conference held at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning of State Convention was most interesting, especially the discussion on, "Why are so few Christian girls in the Temperance

Ranks," and "What girls know of the injurious effects of the tobacco habit."

Resolved, that we earnestly and prayerfully fight narcotics throughout the State this year.

Our assessment is to be \$3.00, the same as last year.

Miss Pearl Ennis, of Martinsville Y, is to act as our Fellowship Secretary instead of Mrs. Prewitt, who resigned.

Saturday evening, Oct. 24th, was Y night, and 7:30 found the First Presbyterian Church filled with a large and appreciative audience, the State Secretary presiding. After reading the 23rd Psalm, prayer was offered by Mrs. Rice, and a solo, "If I were a Voice," was sung by Miss Lenore Ayers, of Indianapolis. Recitations were given by Miss Alen Anderson and Miss Gertrude Judd, of Anderson; also a beautiful duet "All for Jesus," by Mrs. Charlotte Techemacher and Mrs. Margaret Emison, of Vincennes.

The State Secretary gave a summary of the Y work in the State including a report of personal work done by her during her six month's secretaryship for the Y Branch, showing some very encouraging figures for a year of "hard times."

The address of the evening was delivered by Mrs. Helen G. Rice, of Boston, in an earnest, impressive manner. Collection speech by Miss Georgiona Moser, of Loogootee, was responded to in a substantial manner. Thus closed remarkable and profitable meetings of the Y. W. C. T. U.

CLARA M. SEARS,

Sec'y Y Branch.

### L. T. L. LETTER.

Rah! Rah! Rah!  
We clover blossoms are a-field.  
Why? Saloons must die.  
Hear their knell!  
Indiana L. T. L.

Hurrah for Indiana for '97!

As the State Convention deemed me worthy of re-election, you find me re-consecrated and very desirous that this year's work may be successful. In order to do this each local leader must co-operate to the best of her ability along every line. We want to raise our full amount of dues, report all special work done, organize new Legions and come to the next Convention with a grand increase.

Let us not neglect our dear young people. Those Legions that have seniors should form their pledged members into a class for graduation and be ready by the L. T. L. Convention in July.

We want this convention to be a grand success and it may be if each local leader does her duty.

I will send out quarterly report blanks soon and hope they will be returned promptly and well filled. The prizes offered last year will be continued this year as follows:

To the Legions sending dues to the amount of three dollars, I will send the *Young Crusader* one year free. To the Legions sending dues to the amount of five dollars, two copies for one year, and to the Legion sending the greatest amount over five dollars a banner to be presented at the next W. C. T. U. State Convention.

Seymour L. T. L. received the \$3 prize last year. Who will be next?

Let us go to work as never before and pray daily, yes hourly, for God's blessing upon the young people of Indiana.

Write to me for any information concerning L. T. L. work.

AMANDA R. GORDON,

Sec'y L. T. L. Branch.

Argos, Ind.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



MRS. FRANCES A. POTTER, President,  
444 N. East St., Indianapolis.  
MRS. PHEBE R. CURRER, Secretary,  
200 College Ave., Indianapolis.  
MRS. ELLA B. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Greensburg.  
MISS MARY HADLEY, Lecturer,  
Bloomington, Parke County.

### ADMISSION OF GIRLS TO THE SCHOOL.

To some it may seem unnecessary to have any more to say on this subject, but the experience of the committee that has had charge of this department deem it important to briefly and plainly explain some things that do not appear to be understood.

The school is designed to teach a class of girls work that will enable them to earn an honest living. While the idea of work is at the foundation of the plan, it does not mean drudgery, but noble and elevating labor. First of all each girl is expected to learn housekeeping systematically and thoroughly. If a girl's health or disposition makes this impracticable, she will be removed. This is now plainly stated, that in the future no girl may be sent who expects to spend her time to prepare for a milliner, dress-maker or music teacher. After becoming proficient in cooking and every department of housekeeping, laundry and dairy work, fruit culture, gardening and poultry-raising, with some knowledge of farming, and having completed the common school course as far as the eighth grade, she will have completed a course in the Industrial School and will be entitled to a certificate from the Board of Trustees and will be honorably dismissed.

At the opening of the school girls were admitted from ten to eighteen years of age. The experience of the Trustees and Superintendent has proved this to be unsatisfactory. In cases where older girls have entered the school habits were so fixed that it has been much more difficult to train them to neatness, order and obedience than those of a younger class. They are more restless under necessary restraint and become anxious to leave before they are prepared to take positions of responsibility with credit to themselves or honor to the school. Some of the older girls now are anxious to go out and earn their own living. While they have made some improvement, most of them have not done as much as they had the opportunity of doing toward preparing for places where they could command good wages. If they are determined to leave we have no legal claim on them to hold them longer, but the Unions that placed them in the school must take the responsibility of removing them, the Board cannot turn them over to other parties; that must be done by the authority of the Unions whose wards they are.

It was decided by unanimous vote of the Board at its meeting in November to fix the age for admission from six to twelve years. This in no way affects those who are in the school or who have applications already filed.

It is the earnest request of the Board that great care be exercised in selecting girls for places in the school. Not every girl who needs

a home and education is eligible. It is not the design of the donors to take children in order to relieve parents of the care and expense of training them. The work has already been hampered and burdened by having girls sent who will never prepare themselves for creditable work. The school can not do good work with poor material. Be careful to select good material and the teachers will do their best to fashion it into characters of beauty and usefulness. According to the present plan, the Unions that send girls to the school are to supply them with books and clothing and pay doctor's bills. One other provision seems necessary; when for any reason a pupil leaves the school, such girl should be removed from the neighborhood, if the Board for good reason deems it best. Friends of the work can readily see why this arrangement should be strictly complied with for the good of the girls and the interest of the school.

Again let me say, let no inducements be presented to girls or their friends to give the impression that this school is a young ladies' boarding-school where the fine arts are taught. It is simply a home where poor, dependent girls are received to be cared for and taught in common branches of school education, and also taught what every woman, rich or poor, should know, to make a home attractive and comfortable without extravagance and waste. Every girl will be expected to learn the simple art of keeping a kitchen in order as well as the more public reception room. Music, needlework and the nice things that most girls like to do, will come in as time and means will allow, and best of all they will have the motherly care and sympathy so much needed during the period when they are passing from childhood to womanhood. The idea of instruction in the principles of Christian religion though mentioned last is intended to permeate the life of the home and school so when the pupils go out to take their places in this busy, suffering, sinful world, they will be prepared to exert a healthful, Christ-like influence in whatever community they may be placed.

The Hadley Industrial School is an institution which appeals to the fatherhood as well as the motherhood of our entire State. I heard a woman remark. "Well, that Industrial School belongs to the W. C. T. U. and they ought to support it without calling on other people."

That is an entirely mistaken idea. It was instituted in the interests, for the defense, and uplifting of the girlhood of the State, without regard to organization, class or sect. The women of the W. C. T. U. are simply the custodians of this beneficence, and the unprotected girlhood of the State is its beneficiary. To-day a mother holds in her arms her precious daughter, glad in the thought that her encircling care protects her sweet innocence from the want and danger outside of it. To-morrow all her possessions may have been swept away, and, the faithful mother may pass out into the unknown. Will it not bring to her last hour infinite relief to know there is a place where her loved child will still receive sheltering care and loving protection?

The flood of immorality is sweeping across the thresholds of even our best protected homes. Its terrible contagion is unspeakably worse than diphtheria or scarlet fever. If we can rise no higher than the thought of "me" and "mine," we ought, for our own protection to shield other innocent girlhood from the ravages of this foul devourer, whose rapacity is only increased by feeding it. Let us, then, open not only our purses but our hearts as well, toward this wall of protection around innocence and virtue, for

"Who gives himself with his alms, feeds three,—  
Himself, his hungering neighbor, and Me."

Most of the W. C. T. U. who receive this paper have read the article published in the *Phalanx* of Nov. 19th, with reference to the plan for securing funds for the Hadley Industrial School. County Presidents are desired ascertain as soon as possible what the county desires to contribute for the support of the school this year and report to Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind.

It cannot reasonably be expected that all County Presidents can at once visit every local Union in their respective counties and learn what each wishes to contribute, within the limit of the time named. But cannot every County President who cannot herself visit all her local Unions, call at once a meeting of her executive, give to it the plan adopted at State Convention, discuss ways of prosecuting the work, appoint a time for reporting to her, etc., and thus set the ball so vigorously rolling that reports will roll into the Treasurer of Trustees, Mrs. Wright, by the time named, Jan. 1st, 1897? In this way there will be that division of labor spoken of which we firmly believe will bring about the results we all so much desire, viz: a fund which will pay all our obligations, stop interest and carry on the work of the school.

One County President has very promptly pledged \$100 from her county on the new plan. Let all report just as promptly as they can to our Treasurer, that the Trustees may have a basis for planning the work for the best interests of the school.

The intelligence and tact of local Unions can be depended on for plans best adapted to any particular locality for securing funds when the work is begun in earnest.

At the Convention the delegates seemed ready with recommendation which have proven successful.

One was that a meeting having a well prepared program be held in the interest of the school and a collection be taken.

If only five dollars were realized, it would be worth doing. We need to acquaint people with our work and should not be too delicate in asking aid for a work in which worthy people are interested. One county raised about \$200 by the use of the dollar box plan. This plan is commendable from the standpoint of the great number it sets to light work securing small donations.

The trustees will continue to furnish boxes free to those ordering them. Some have succeeded admirably by the birthday plan of giving a penny for each year of one's life. Some are proposing to hold an election and vote yes or no on the suffrage question and give the proceeds (5 cents for each vote cast) to the school. A good sum may be realized in this way if the election is well advertised. Also sentiment will be made and a knowledge of how to cast a ballot will be gained.

Last but not by any means least, those who decided to hold a Suffrage or a Prohibition contest and give the proceeds to the school are on the highway to a two-fold good, that of coining sentiment and coining money.

This is practically true of all the methods suggested. If you tax your local treasury for other than local work you may endanger the life of the Union.

If you go to work with a will on some well thought out plan you will verify the adage that "activity is the price of life." Will you help your local Unions to take on new life by this activity?

"To give is to live,  
To deny is to die."

It is said of savage people "Their wants are few and easily supplied," but with us it is not so, especially of the Hadley School. The wants are not so many but it seems very hard to get the supply. We do need a large cooking stove or range and we need it very much. An article was put in the *Phalanx* and as yet it has met with no response. I think now I will appeal to some generous hearted man and wait patiently and hopefully, and I will add prayerfully, for an answer. Yes, a wagon and harness for one horse also. Friends, we mean what we say; this is not written to fill up but is genuine. We need these articles very much and have been waiting a long time for money to buy them. Now, we do not cringingly beg for them but ask for them, knowing there are those abundantly able to furnish them.

Mrs. F. L. T. McWhorter  
6-12-37



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### COUNTIES.

Bartholomew will have our Gospel presented to their Teachers' Association by a professor from the Normal.

Clark County can't go to sleep, some one keeps it awake with medal contests at Utica.

Steuben County held its convention in the Christian Church at Angola, Dec. 2nd and 3rd. They advertised with a very neat program, and the subject matter was well arranged and must have proved helpful to Unions and individual workers.

Dearborn County held an executive session at Dillsboro, Dec. 3rd. Mrs. Cammack was present and then spent the remainder of the week in other parts of the county.

A county that works early in the year to organize will certainly make the best record.

LaPorte County held its convention in Michigan City and the day turned out to be one, when the rain did nothing but pour down. Officers elected as follows: President, Mrs. Dr. Paxton, LaPorte; Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. L. J. Harrison, 705 Tipton St., LaPorte; Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. Whitney, Michigan City; Treas., Mrs. India Worthily, Michigan City. They are prosecuting with energy work against the cigarette. Have gone to work very systematically with a petition, their physicians signing first, then teachers, lawyers, etc. They wish it to become universal over the State that State legislation may be secured.

Tippecanoe met in convention Nov. 10th. Mrs. A. L. Green, West LaFayette, President; Mrs. M. V. Bennett, Cor. Sec'y.

### UNIONS.

Mrs. John Boner, of Wheatfield, engages in the medal work.

Burkett is active in medal contests.

Alexandria wants to head the list for greatest number of contests and legions.

Hobart Union has taken a new name. It is now the Frances Willard Union and has started on the year's work with sundry good resolutions.

Martinsville will surely excel for it has Mrs. Ada Lindsay Squires, a remarkably fine elocutionist. Her little daughter is proving a prodigy in this work. They give their services to the cause with marked success.

Point Isabel has been heard from and they are at work with the intention of bringing the State to the front.

East Chicago, Ind., is having good seed sown and that is reasonable assurance that some day their will be a harvest.

West Indianapolis is healthy and active, putting forth well directed effort.

Shelbyville has made some changes in her officers and reported the changes that means so much.

Francesville has a class of boys drilling to compete for the Demorest Silver Medal. Britty Grant the Superintendent, will give every other Superintendent something to do if they outstrip her in this department. She has made a splendid beginning for 1897.

Center Union meets the first Wednesday of each month. As the members are scattered in the country it will very likely solve the problem, "Can Country Unions be made to live?"

Frankfort's last regular meeting day was stormy; met in the home of our Jail and Prison Sup't; 22 present and 4 visitors. Mrs. Condon having charge of the prayer meetings is meeting with wonderful success. Souls are coming to Christ. Our membership is growing and we are wonderfully encouraged.

The Irvington Union anticipated the time of its December meeting by one week in order to have it occur the day before Thanksgiving, as an opportune time to make a general neighborhood donation to the Door of Hope in the City. Many ladies in our place have become interested in this philanthropy who are not members of our Union, so much so that an ineffectual effort has been made here to establish an auxiliary to the Door of Hope. Its members being pledged to give a stipulated amount monthly to this work. There was a goodly supply of store packages of staple articles of food, beside cans of fruit, glasses of jelly, jars of mince-meat from the pantry with vegetables and fruit from the garden and orchard, yes and butter from the dairy; also a few warm garments were liberally contributed. Some money was added to this. Then one of our members, Mrs. DeSett, offered to take this work as a separate department, collecting the monthly dues to such an auxiliary as had been proposed, thus making it a part of the regular Union work. Miss Mary Teas read an ably prepared paper on "Modern Philanthropy", containing many practical suggestions to us, as well as those engaged in it as a fashionable pastime, or to relieve spasmodic twinges of conscience. We greatly regret that we are about to lose one of our most valued and charter members, Mrs. Ada N. Tuly, who removes to North Indianapolis soon. She has wide experience and her heart is truly in W. C. T. U. work. Mrs. Harriet Newlin returns to us to our great joy and we welcome the opportunity to hold our next meeting in her home January 6th. Remember us, our latch string is always out.

LaPorte Union gives an annual chrysanthemum supper. It occurred this year Nov. 9th.

The Methodist church of Irvington, observed "Universal Temperance Day" last Sunday grandly. Mrs. McWhirter, State President, was invited to make an address on the W. C. T. U. work and the President of the Irvington Union was invited to the platform also. Mrs. McWhirter's address on "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Its inception and aims," was very fine indeed, keeping the rapt attention of the audience for nearly an hour. It was accurate, clear and the plea she gave for all to claim the privilege to help in this glorious work seemed quite irresistible. In the evening there was a crowded house to hear the services conducted by members of the Murphy League by invitation of the church and pastor. God bless every such church and pastor!

### PERSONAL.

DEAR MRS. BALCH:—The Club wishes to express its high appreciation of Mrs. Allen's lecture; and our only regret is that the political excitement occasioned the absence of some that would have been benefited and delighted by the instruction given.

Respectfully yours,

ANNIE B. FORD, Sec'y.

Mrs. Allen will take dates along the Wabash R. R. after Dec. 16th, as she is crossing the State.

Mrs. Ellen K. Denny is still absent at work in Prescott, Arizona. She writes with much interest concerning our work at home.

### NEW UNIONS.

A Y at Logansport.

A W at Rensselaer, by Mrs. Allie Anderson, our new Organizer.

### REPORTS.

Ida T. Copper, County Cor. Sec'y of Shelby County, sent a very fine report for their Loyal Temperance Legion for the State Minutes. It came too late for those pages and we give a brief summary here. Sixty-five paid members; enrolled membership, 75; five are studying for diplomas. In answer to the question give special methods, "Eternal Vigilance." This would be a comprehensive answer for all departments of work. This Legion reads the *Crusader*, *Organizer* and *Union Signal*. Grounded in the faith. Moneys received from all sources, \$4 40; total expended, \$2.00; L. T. L. dues paid, \$1.00. The children are being trained to earn their own money for temperance work. In answer to what entertainments have you given, the answer, "A Black-bird Pie." I do not know what that is, I hope Mrs. Copper will tell us.

On political rally day our North Manchester Union served dinner and supper in a vacant business room, and cleared over twenty dollars. One of our series of parlor meetings recently held in the home of Mrs. Straw, by serving ice cream and cake and an admission fee to the Antiquarian—a room filled with antique relics—we cleared ten dollars. With these and other receipts we have been able to pay for stock in the "Organizer Publishing Company"—fifteen dollars. Mrs. Mary Wood-Allen, for lecture and afternoon meeting, thirteen dollars. Hadley Industrial School, our annual fee, three dollars. Railroad expenses of the delegates to our State Convention and for the purchase of a new banner, and now enjoy being out of debt with money in the treasury. We have also an order and money in for eleven copies of the State Minutes, and hold ourselves in readiness to canvass for subscribers to our forthcoming new State paper as soon as the advice to do so reaches us.

Yours,  
BESSIE STRAW.

### HONORARY MEMBERS.

One of our most generous and loyal sends 60 cents for additional copies of the *Union Signal* Convention number, also a plan for selling them at 5 cents. Parlor meetings with friends especially invited. People read what they pay for rather than what is given to them, says this good brother. This parlor meeting gives opportunity for an enthusiastic talk about the Convention. How many will try the plan.

Let every Union circulate the following Petition at once:

### PETITION.

To the Honorable Bodies of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Indiana:

We, the undersigned citizens of the United States and the State of Indiana, recognizing the evil effects resulting from the pernicious habit of cigarette smoking by the youth of our State, and the impracticability of regulating the sale of cigarettes within our State, respectfully petition your honorable bodies to enact a law to entirely prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the State of Indiana, either by any company, partnership, association or individual, and that you affix to such law a sufficient penalty, for violation, to ensure enforcement of the same.

VOTERS.

WOMEN.



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## CIGARETTES.

Parents, educators and physicians are outspoken against the use of the cigarette, especially by the young. Surely there is just cause for this.

The Internal Revenue Department and the printed statement of tobacco journals indicate that billions of cigarettes are manufactured annually. They are sold at such a low rate that they can be purchased by a child for a few pennies.

There is a great profit in the cigarette business and largely for this reason it is carried on in its present enormous proportions. The American Tobacco Trust claims that in one year it made a clear profit of \$4,000,000 from the sale of cigarettes. In Indiana we have a law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to children.

Stumps of cigars, and quids of tobacco raked out of spittoons and gutters, mixed with plantation leaves, fuller's earth, alum, etc., are used for making cigarettes. This is prepared for use by adding opium, Havana flavoring made from the tonca bean, which contains a deadly poison, brandy and rum and other drugs.

The paper used, is imitation of rice paper, for as that is expensive a substitute is used which is so cheap that a thousand cigarettes can be wrapped in two cents worth of it.

This wrapping paper is made from the filthy scrapings of rag-pickers; these are bleached with lime and then treated with a preparation of arsenic and lead, to give the appearance of rice paper.

The use of cigarettes poisons the blood, irritates the mucus membranes of the mouth and throat, affects the heart, the ear, the eye, weakens the bones, stunts the growth and creates a thirst that only a stimulating beverage will quench.

The accomplished cigarette smoker is not content with a regular puff; but he draws the smoke into the depths of his lungs, holds it there a moment and then expels it through his mouth and nose. The poison is thus allowed to penetrate every portion of the lung cavity and by absorption is taken into the blood.

Physicians who have made this a special study declare that cigarette smoking is another form of the opium habit!!

Urge your neighbors and friends to help in a crusade against the cigarette. We need much help to save child-life from the pitfalls that commercial interests are digging and that greed is encouraging.

Be up and doing! Let every person who is interested in securing an anti-cigarette law for Indiana, write a letter to the member of the Legislature representing his or her District, urging him to vote for the measure. Personal letters carry weight with them—*write to-day*. To-morrow seek a friend of yours who voted for the Senator and Representative and get him to write also. If we secure an anti-cigarette law every white ribboner must help.

So swiftly has the past year come and gone that we can scarcely realize that a twelve months has been recorded with those that have

gone before. The year has been one of earnest, painstaking endeavor on the part of the State. Many well laid plans that were made in the beginning of the year have been carried out, and others, for lack of co-operation and means are held in obedience.

As we have gone out over the State, helping hands, warm hearts and hospitable homes have been open to us.

For the world has awakened to the fact that woman's work and woman's prayers are essential factors in the onward march of civilization, progress and Christianity.

We are very thankful that our work has progressed in place of going backwards. The list of delinquent Unions are surprisingly small when we consider the closeness of the times. Many of the newly organized Unions bid fair to outstrip some of their older sisters in good work and contributions to our affiliated interests. "He who climbs, sees," so says Frances Willard, and as we travelled the State last year we saw great unbroken forests of sin and intemperance. The world has not been won, yet, to total abstinence, and we need never hope to enjoy the blessedness of prohibition until a greater number of the human family are tee-totalers.

We, who so long ago passed the a, b, c, of our reformation have little patience with the women that must still be taught the first principles of our work. "Let us not despise the day of small things" but take the pledge in our hand and go about winning the youth of our State to total abstinence and the home from all appearance of evil.

If we would "bruise the head of the serpent" a voice must go out from the home with no uncertain sound.

The destroying serpent is coiled in many, many homes in Indiana to day, and when there lurks more surely to destroy than when found in less enticing places. So, let every "woman teach her neighbor" the safer way. Many homes are in utter darkness concerning the nature and power of strong drink and we who have the light are duty bound to carry this light into benighted homes to elevate and save. Will we do it?

(REV.) MATTIE O. CAMMACK.

Outline program for meetings of local Union:  
Praise service, bible-reading or prayer service.  
Roll call by Rec. Secretary.  
Reading of minutes of previous meeting.  
Report of Treasurer and taking collection.  
Report of Cor. Secretary with notes from the field.  
Reports of Committees.  
Report of certain number of Supt's presented in writing.  
Reception of new members.  
Literary program.  
*Adjourn promptly on time.*

Some city Unions divide their members into twelve sections, each section entertaining and serving light refreshments once during the year. A fine being imposed upon the section if more than two articles of food is served. Small Unions carrying out the same plan by entertaining once in three months.

## LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR 1897 REPORTS.

The local Superintendents need a list of questions from the State Superintendent, concise and suggestive, that they may be at work.

Knowing what they are expected to report will assist very much in having the work done, and the material for the report at hand. State Superintendents will please prepare these for the February issue of THE MESSAGE. Every department must have the necessary space if it takes all the paper.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR SISTERS:—Through the efforts of our efficient State Superintendent of Narcotics, Mrs. Fannie Calkins, we are all permitted to help wage a war against the deadly cigarette.

Thousands of copies of a petition to the Senate and House of Representatives of Indiana praying for a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within our State, have been sent into the Unions. From many Unions we learn of the great efforts made to secure signatures. Goshen reported having 800 a week ago. If your Union has not received copies of petition, send to Mrs. Calkins for them immediately.

The Christian Endeavor will take active steps in regard to the petition and appoint committees for this special work.

From the State Headquarters of the Epworth League in this city, 6,000 copies of the anti-cigarette petition is being sent into the Chapters of Indiana.

Members of the Y. M. C. A. of this city will lobby for our bill which will be presented by Mr. Reynolds, of Wayne Co., State Organizer of Good Citizenship Leagues. This good man will do what he can for the measure.

Please request all ministers of all denominations to observe Jan. 17th, as Narcotic Day. Especial attention being given to the injurious effects of the cigarette. E. A. King, of Newport, Ky., has published a valuable leaflet, "The Cigarette and the Youth." Price, 5 cents; 25 cents per dozen. Send postage stamps to him for copies and supply your ministers. Also send to the W. T. P. A. for leaflets on the subject.

At noon of each day remember to pray for the W. C. T. U. of your own community, the State, National and Worlds. During the session of the Legislature especially pray for the success of the anti-cigarette bill and for a curfew law. If arrangements can be let each Union of the State give a children's entertainment, entitled, "The Trial of Prince Nicotine." The plan is given in Crusader Series No. 3, price, 10 cents. Sold by the W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago, Ills. If the plan as given is a little too long, shorten it. Let this entertainment be given just as soon as it can be arranged for. If we secure the needed legislation against the destruction of the children by nicotine, opium, etc., we must arouse our communities on the subject. As soon as you decide that you will give the entertainment, decide *when* and *where* and begin advertising. If the children sell tickets the receipts will be good; everybody is interested in a children's entertainment. Then, too, the children are fine mediums of advertising, whenever they attend rehearsal their friends and neighbors know about it. Get the available boys out of a Sunday-school and if possible get the whole Sunday-school interested. Don't delay, but attend to this immediately.

Let me urge each person who reads this letter to write a letter to their Representative and plead for support of the anti-cigarette bill and for a curfew law.

Send me word if your town has the curfew law. We will make an effort to secure a law for the State.

Yours for the better protection of the children,  
LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER.

## NOTICE.

Arrangements have been made by which we can furnish the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE* for \$1.10 per year.

Secure as many subscriptions to the two papers as possible. Every local Union officer is urged to take both papers. No county officer can afford to be without them. Any person subscribing in a club for the *MESSAGE* can have the *Union Signal* by adding 85 cents, provided it is sent in with the club.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### DEPARTMENT OF NARCOTICS.

DEAR SISTER:—I have sent copies of the petition to "Entirely prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the State of Indiana" to every County President and Narcotic Superintendent whose address I could get. Please circulate it diligently. When the space for names is full paste on more paper and send in thousands of names. When working for the S. T. I. Law, I found that when I could show yards of names, people signed much more readily. Let us put forth our utmost strength in the effort to get this law. If we have lectures let us have them on Narcotics. Miss Lenore Ayers, Mrs. Lena M. Beck, Miss Lodie E. Reed, to whom we owe the S. T. I. Law, and Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack with her instructive charts, are all prepared to give very efficient help on this line.

Visit your Senators and Representatives and ask them to vote for this law. Ask your ministers to preach against Narcotics, and to support our Petition. Hold Narcotic Contests; medals, \$1.25, books, 10 cents a copy. Write the Superintendent of this work for books and medal; send money with the order to Mary E. Balch, 56 Central Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., and in every way agitate the question.

Mrs. Orpha James, of Brazil, Clay Co., carries a separate paper for the boys to sign.

Please report your progress. So many counties have not answered the personal letters which I sent them that I am afraid they are not trying for this law.

Our State President has been giving me very efficient aid with our Cigarette Petition, and she has kindly consented to do all she can while the bill is pending. It is impossible for me to be away from my home so long. Return Petitions to my address not later than Jan. 11th.

And now, dear sisters, let us pray earnestly that God will bless our labors and our beloved President in her work. The victory surely is ours if we do all we can then trust Him.

FANNIE CALKINS,  
Portland, Ind. State Sup't Narcotics.

### FRANCHISE PLAN.

#### I.—ORGANIZATION.

Let the W. C. T. U. throughout the different counties appoint County and Local Superintendents of Franchise work. Local Superintendents organize as a branch; interest women outside the W. C. T. U. Set up Political Science study classes. Have a committee on current news; National—political and congressional; State—judicial and legislative; Educational—personal. Study Civil Government, Legal Status of Woman. Have lectures, hold contests and parlor meetings. Debates on

suffrage. These will make a profitable variety for public or private meetings.

Offer prizes in the schools. Secure a Woman's Day in the Summer Assemblies.

Let us use all our privileges while we pave the way for more. By all means use the press. Arrange with the Press Sup't to supply her with Suffrage Items. Judiciously give out Suffrage Literature and so prepare the way for Legislative work.

Address State Sup't for books, papers, and leaflets, also for medals. State Superintendent's address, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

W. C. T. U. medals, \$1.25 each; Cooper, \$2.50. Send money with orders. Address State Sup't of Suffrage for what ever help or assistance you may be in need of as to the way to work and how to accomplish it.

M. A. TOMPKINS, State Sup't.  
309 S. Main St., Elkhart, Ind.

To the Honorable bodies of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Indiana:

We, the undersigned members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, realizing the utter indifference and carelessness of town and city officers in enforcing the laws of the State against saloon-keepers for violation of said laws, respectfully petition your Honorable bodies to enact a law that a stipulated amount of the fines assessed against a saloon-keeper for violation of law, be allowed to any person or persons bringing evidence of such violation of law before the court.

Committee on Petition,

MRS. M. E. ANDERSON,  
MRS. FANNIE GAGE.

Any one can cut this out and circulate it or can appeal by letter to our law makers. It is the thought of Grand View Union. This legislation might make the Nicholson law of more service.

### MOTHER'S MEETINGS.

DEAR SUP'TS OF MOTHER'S MEETINGS:—Doubtless you have noticed in the *Union Signal* of Dec. 24th, the call for Mother's Meetings; to be held on our new Red Letter Day, "Mother's Day," Jan. 3rd. As it was impossible for your Sup't to communicate with you until the MESSAGE should come to you, it has been decided to have Mother's Day one month later this year, which will be Feb. 3rd. In the future I hope we may observe the day at the proper time, and in the very best way possible, for surely there is no department in which the work should be more thoroughly done. Our great organization is sometimes called "Organized Mother-love." This Red Letter day represents Madam Willard's birthday; we should carry out the plan of the *Union Signal* by reading selections from "A Great Mother" and from the "New Crusade." No mother should be without this valuable little paper and by sending to your Superintendent you can have it at 35 cents a year.

Should it be impossible for your Union to obtain either of these readings, send to our W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago, and get a leaflet on "Obedience", price, 2 cents each. To you all I would say, make your meeting spiritual and give plenty of time for devotional service. There is no mother who ought to hesitate for one moment to speak or pray in a Mother's Meeting. How shall we expect our children to be Christians if we ourselves take not up the cross and follow Him.

Should any Union be so unfortunate as not to have a Superintendent of Mother's Meetings, I hope the President of such a Union will see to it that this Mother's Day is observed by her Union.

Yours for Mother's Day,  
MARTHA L. GIPE.

### MERCY DEPARTMENT.

I hope in this glad new year which has just been ushered in that my white ribbon sisters will take up the work of this department with renewed zeal, and prayerful consecration. Let us see how good a record we can make for '97. I wish to especially recommend the Angell Prize Contest work, to help educate public sentiment along humane lines, and as an especially excellent way for Unions to make some money to help out their work. If any Union wishes to have a contest, please appoint a Mercy Sup't, who can write to me for the necessary information and I am sure it will be less work and greater pay than any thing else a union can do. I want every one of my Sup'ts to have at least one contest during this year. Now is the time to begin, sisters. Don't wait but let me hear from you at once and I am quite sure when you learn the particulars, you will decide at once to have a contest. Wishing you all a happy New Year, and plenty of successful work, I am

Yours for the work of mercy,  
MRS. LOU E. RALL.

No. 23 Salamonie Ave.

### FLOWER MISSION WORK.

DEAR SUP'TS:—Through the columns of the MESSAGE I wish to extend to you all the greetings of the New Year. Let us each and every one make for this year a resolution to push the Flower Mission work. That will mean that thousands of darkened homes and darkened lives will be opened to the sunshine of Christ's love through simple, inexpensive flowers offered with a kindly word and sympathetic look. The work covers not only the giving of flowers but of books and all other things which the circumstances may demand.

At the end of the year a list of questions corresponding to the ones to be given in February issue of MESSAGE will be sent to each Superintendent and the answers to these questions will constitute the report of the Superintendents. Now, it would be a most excellent plan for each local Sup't to carry to each meeting a permanently bound note book so she can put down immediately the report of that meeting as far as it concerns the Flower Mission work. Then when the time comes for the final report blank to be filled out, the matter will be a very easy and accurate one.

Let the effort especially be made to enlist the help of children's societies. They will be found eager to assist not only in gathering the flowers but also in distributing them.

With effort consecrated and wisely directed our eyes will be opened to the possibilities of doing much good and we will find opportunities on every side.

Yours for much Flower Mission work,  
REBA TUSLEY.

### PARLIAMENTARY USAGE.

In Miss Ayres' drill at the State Convention, but one Superintendent answered unhesitatingly in how many ways a motion could be amended. Probably all could have applied the different ways of amending, but were not sufficiently grounded to answer promptly. My plan of work for the year is the thorough study of the subsidiary motions. Begin the drill, with how to obtain the floor and state the motion; then fully understand why, when and how. "To lay the motion on the table", to call "The previous question", "To post-pone to a certain day" and so on, which motions are debatable, how many votes, and what majority carries, ect. In organized counties local Superintendents should report to the county Sup't, (she may be the Co. Pres't) and she to me. In unorganized counties directly to me. Our best text-books are Mrs. Lillian Cole Bethel's, Compendium, 25 cents. Neeley's Practice, 10 cents; and our standard, or W. C. T. U. authority, Roberts' Rules of Order, 75 cents.

MRS. E. D. HARDY, State Sup't.  
Goodland, Ind.



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**Orphans' Homes and Homeless Children**—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, Wabash.  
**Peace and Arbitration**—Miss Louvinia Bailey, Spiceland.  
**Relation of Temperance and Labor, Law and Statistics**—Mrs. Ella Richards, Ch. rubasco.  
**Household Economics**—Mrs. Mary A. Moody, 127 St. Mary's St., Indianapolis.  
**Systematic Giving**—Miss Esther Pugh, Spiceland.  
**Evangelistic**—Rev. Ella J. Davis, 141 Kinsey St., Richmond.  
**Police Matron**—Mrs. Anna Buchanan, Indianapolis.  
**Railroad Employees**—Mrs. Libbie Candler, Richmond.  
**Mercy**—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
**Jail and Prison and Work among Miners**—Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, 820 N. 5th St., Vincennes.  
**Soldiers and Sailors**—Mrs. Julia Overman, 1892 S. Branson St., Marion.  
**Communion Wine**—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 56 Central Ave., Ind'p'ls.

**Sabbath Observance**—Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, Moores Hill.  
**Flower Mission**—Miss Reba Insley, Terre Haute.  
**State and County Fairs**—Mrs. Ada Leck, 901 Capital Ave., Ind'p'ls.  
**Franchise**—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
**Christian Citizenship**—Mrs. Lizzie Dunlap, Franklin.

## ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thorntown.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. E. J. Haughton, Richmond.

## ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, 1123 S. Branson St., Marion.  
 Mrs. Alice Anderson, Francesville.  
 Miss Libbie Taber, LaPorte.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



**Mrs. FRANCES A. POTTER, President,**  
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 200 College Ave., Indianapolis.  
**Mrs. ELLA B. WRIGHT, Treasurer,** Greensburg.  
**MISS MARY HADLEY, Lecturer,**  
 Bloomington, Parke County.

## CHRISTMAS BOXES AND OTHER DONATIONS.

We gratefully acknowledge many useful and beautiful donations to the School and to the girls individually.

Francesville Union a most liberal box of fruit, bed linen, towels, etc.

Mill Creek Union, canned fruit, granulated sugar and onion sets. Will not others send us garden seeds of approved varieties?

A box unmarked contained delicious fruit, jams, jellies, etc. One freight bill was marked Goshen and we suspect it came from there. Will not all who so kindly favor us also do us the favor to write and send us a list of the things included in the box, giving weight of packages of groceries, etc.?

Our neighbors are very neighborly. Our dear aged friend, Lydia Wheeler, contributed three gallons excellent plum butter. Hannah Hadley, apples and preserves. Our benefactors, Addison and Martha Hadley who are ever mindful of their numerous family have provided a barrel of excellent molasses, apples, meat, etc. Mrs. Susan Hadley, a fine lot of cabbage. Mrs. Fannie Rogers, always neighborly, apples and boiled cider.

Columbia City Junior Christian Endeavor, dolls for the smaller girls.

Through solicitation of Miss Hadley, a beautiful and convenient desk for our Superintendent, from the New York store, Indianapolis.

Through solicitation of Mrs. Potter, glass and hardware for a poultry house, donated by Francke & Schindler.

Christmas decorations from Knox & Co., a "high toned" eight inch gong from Francke & Schindler.

A pretty quilt from Madison. A barrel of flower from J. W. Baen & Son, merchant miller of Lyons, Ohio, father of our Superintendent.

Mr. Hawkins & Son, near Danville, a liberal donation of apples, meal, etc.

Plainfield Union, apples, canned fruit, pickles, soap and tablets for the girls.

Mrs. Mattie Hadley Chandler made a useful needle-book for each of them.

And now, do our friends wonder what more we can ask or wish? Well, we still badly need the buggy and harness we have been asking for so long. A few more blankets and spreads (not sheets), sheets 2½ yards long as many sent us are too short for our cots.

And our treasurer, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, of Greensburg, could use a little more money if she had it, to pay our obligations and keep things going. Will not other local Unions promptly report the amount of their free will offerings as per our plan of State Convention?

HADLEY, IND., Dec. 30th, 1896.

DEAR MAMMA POTTER—As we have had such a pleasant Christmas, I wish you to know of our enjoyment. Our lovely Sup't, left for

Greensburg to spend vacation at her sister's Mrs. Wright, and to meet her aged parents. And our "Wandering Jew", Miss Mary Hadley, came to help us have a Happy Christmas. You know we call her "Carnation" when she is with us. We are always glad when she comes to teach us new and useful things. A short program was prepared by the girls, the object was to show why we observe Christmas. The girls marched into the chapel to music leaving me in the living room at the piano to come in last. But what greeted our eyes on entering the chapel? A Christmas Tree. After the opening song Miss Anna Spitzer, who was presiding read the 2nd chapter of Matt. and Miss Hadley led us in prayer. We then sang "Scatter Sunshine", looking anxiously at the tree. But we were not to know what was lodged in its branches until our program was carried out. (Wonderful things which Santa Claus left us.) A song by the three smaller girls and recitations followed by remarks from Miss Hadley and "Dear Aunt Nan". It would make my letter tedious to tell you of all the pretty and useful presents we received. The girls gave gifts to one another, dainty little things which they made themselves, but our dear sister Mary Hicks, was the only one unselfish enough to make a present for all. Many presents were sent by friends and relatives, which was placed on the tree. Also a beautiful quilt, boxes of provision and bed linen were sent by the dear White Ribboners, whom we all have learned to love so much. We are glad the H. I. S. students can belong to the Y. Miss Hadley gave a lovely and useful present to all. On Christmas Day, Miss Brazier, the guardian of little May came, she assisted Miss Hadley in repairing the badly worn upholstering which was donated, and you should see the beautiful results that were brought to light. Miss Hadley searched in the rag-bag and found some old scraps, which she sewed together and presented us with a fine foot-stool. On Monday Mrs. Molsinger brought us such a sweet little sister only eleven years old. I will make my letter to long if I tell you all. Believing this Christmas will be a bright spot in the memory of every student, I remain with much love,  
 Your "Daisy" (Coral).

A few words more on admission of girls to Hadley Industrial School.

There seems to be a wrong notion with regard to the admission and dismissal of girls. Some have the idea a girl can be put in the school and taken from it at the pleasure or convenience of Unions or patrons, and this has given rise to some very unpleasant complications. Some rules have been passed on by the Board of Trustees which we hope are plain enough for any one to comprehend.

The age for admission for the future is from six to twelve years. The committee on admission will take the girl on trial for not more than three months. If she is considered eligible a written agreement must then be signed by parent or guardian giving her to the care of the Board of Trustees for such time as shall be deemed best for the child; and she shall not be removed until the expiration of such time, unless something transpires which makes such removal necessary for the interest of the school. It will readily be seen by all right minded people that no lasting good can be accomplished while any one who may desire it can take a girl from the school. Past experience has convinced the Board that its authority must be acknowledged and sustained or the benefits of the Home will be measurably destroyed. We trust the Board will be composed of women who desire only the good of the children placed under its care. Any parent or guardian can at any time confer with members of the committee respecting the welfare of the child. No mercenary consideration can induce any one to become a member of the Board. Time, thought and care are given without remuneration and the only reward for such expenditure is the consciousness of having done something toward turning the feet of some little ones into the path of virtue and usefulness.

We are glad to note that some friends have been generous toward the Home. Francke & Schindler have donated a gong, much needed in the house, and hardware necessary to build a poultry house. The New York store has given a nice desk for the use of the Superintendent. We would be grateful to any who feel like helping pay for the poultry house so we need not draw on the treasury for it. We mean to make poultry business pay.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### LECTURE BUREAU.

Indiana has the opportunity of making eighteen dates at \$10 each with entertainment for Mrs. Ella A. Boole, Sec'y Young Woman's granch N. Y. State, for the last of February and the first of March. I can furnish you press notice's to satisfy the most critical. There is one Francis E. Willard; and only one Ella A. Boole.

Mrs. Ella A. Boole, A. M., wife of the Rev. Dr. W. H. Boole, conducted a week's series of temperance meetings in the city of Utica, under the auspices of a union of the Christian Endeavor societies of the city. These meetings were unusual in their design and purpose; for they were not of the general order of gospel temperance meetings at which the pledge is offered to drinking men, but for the purpose of arousing the Christian Churches to the earnest, prayerful consideration of their duties as highminded citizens, against the legalized liquor traffic. To this end Mrs. Boole gave appropriate lectures, afternoons and evenings, urging that the solemn official declarations of the various Protestant denominations against all forms and grades of license, and especially in favor of "total legal prohibition, as the only true remedy for the evils of intemperance." The meetings were held in the various churches, and were crowded to the doors, beyond seating capacity, by enthusiastic audiences of the best class of citizens. All the pastors were in the work. The spirit of the eloquent lady speaker was thoroughly religious, her charming, womanly bearing, her rich voice, and intense spiritual devotion, were so evident as to win the admiration of all hearers, and constrained their convictions. The meetings were a "new departure" in the temperance movement. Many of her hearers at Utica pronounced her the equal of her husband, the well-known pulpit and platform orator, Dr. Boole.—*Buffalo, N. Y., Christian Advocate.*

Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, one of our National Organizers and Lecturers is in our State and will fill dates for a short time at \$25 per week or \$5 per lecture with expenses and entertainment.

We are at liberty to make dates during the winter months, for Mrs. Emma Cranmer, Honorary President of South Dakota. \$5 and collections with entertainment.

Our Ex-president Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington, is ready to fill dates at her usual prices. Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw, will work in the Bureau at \$1 per day and expenses.

Mrs. Ellen Denny, expects to be in Indiana from this on, call her at county seats in the interest of jail and prison work, according to our plan of work.

### OUR ANNUAL REPORTS.

Experience is a wise teacher. Advertizing to the amount of \$14.50 from Marion county and \$15 from Grant, went just so far towards paying for the Annual Reports. A few more counties like minded, would have cashed the bill, without drawing on our State treasury, and there would have been money to pay department appropriations at the beginning of the year. Advertizing and one railroad pass to St Louis paid for our State programmes.

Our annual reports cost 26 $\frac{2}{3}$  cents a copy. You buy them for 10 cents and 4 cents postage. An order for 7 copies and over will be sent by express; the Union ordering will pay express charges. If you owe for the minutes please remit at once, and include the postage.

The unions ordered 1700 copies of the convention number of the *Union Signal* at 3 cents a copy, that was the issue of December 3rd. Then there were 1700 copies of the December 10th number sent to the Unions absolutely free. Total receipts \$51.24. Total expenses \$60.92. The deficit \$9.68 is a present from the State to the Unions, and the W. T. P. A. who sent out the second 1700 free of any charges except the transportation.

### SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

We have six in the State. If we could begin this early to plan for, and use one and the same National Speaker at these six points, we might save all the way from five to ten dollars on each address, have our work better advertized, more time to provide the means, etc. Will the local management correspond with me in regard to this?

### SPRING CONVENTIONS.

It is not too early to begin to plan for these if we want to use other talent than our home folks, and as these meetings are in part Institutes it is almost a necessity that we do have help and make these gatherings a power. Plan early and work out your plans.

### ALTON FLOWER MISSION AND CHARITY WORK.

Six bouquets sent to the sick with text cards attached; five dinners sent to the sick, fruit three times; three bouquets for funerals. On Thanksgiving the W. C. T. U. gave, and had donated as a thanks offering to the poor and sick: Two pounds of coffee, two pounds of crackers, 20 cents worth of tea, one package of soda, one package of rolled oats, twelve pounds of sugar, three pounds of rice, one peck of apples, two loaves of bread, one cake, five half-gallon cans of fruit, two glasses of jelly, three calico dresses and made by the Union, one pair of child's shoes, one cap for boy, one pair of suspenders, and 80 cents cash.

MRS. IDA HARRISON,  
Superintendent.

The Central Committee wishes to make the mid-year Executive Committee meeting of great value to our work and the workers. We usually pay our money to the railroad and arrange to leave our homes for a one day's session, and content ourselves with attending to the actual business in a very hurried manner, with no time for the discussion of best methods of organization and department work. Let us extend the time and make it a *two day's meeting*, beginning at 1 p. m., Tuesday, March 16th and closing at noon Tuesday the 18th. An outline program in *THE MESSAGE* of February will enable every member of the committee to come prepared for the best results, if preparation and due deliberation will produce them.

The night meetings should be for the general public. Tuesday night's program by our own women and Wednesday night an address by the best National speaker available. Possibly Mrs. Ella A. Boole.

Invitations from the towns near the center of the State are expected. The town getting the benefit of this gathering will be expected to entertain the delegates, possibly fifty or more and provide the building. The collections at the evening meetings will go to the State treasury, as the State will be responsible for the National speaker.

The distinguishing features by which the speakers will be selected for the first evening of the mid-year Executive meeting will be as follows:

County President representing counties having held at least one Executive Committee meeting.	Reporting largest No. of public meetings.
" " " active Department Sup'ts.	
" " " Y Unions.	
" " " L. T. L's.	
" " " Contests.	
" " " active W. T. P. A. agents.	
" " " subscription to <i>Union Signal</i> and <i>THE MESSAGE</i> .	
" " " signature to anti-cigarette petition.	

" every General Officer of every Union as subscribers to the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE*.

### PERSONAL.

My Quarterly Reports made me say out loud Praise the Lord, as they came in so promptly, so well filled and such nice letters with them. The secretaries are under promise to do their best. Guess which county had 99 delegates at its last county convention?

Mrs. Allie Anderson is having crowded houses at Star City, 66 signed the abstinence pledge; one half at least were voters. Her monthly report blank gives 21 addresses, 13 womens meetings, 149 house visits, 15 towns visited, 4 counties; one New Union, five re-organized and one Y.

Hannah C. Albertson, Canton, is speaking in Sunday-school and church services and holding contests. She is one of the faithful; abundant in labors.

Ella J. Davis, Richmond, our State Evangelist, is reporting the National Convention and finds the people receive it with great relish and we add, it must be with profit.

Buffalo, N. Y., entertains our next National Convention. 20,000 members are to be secured this year. Not a very large stint if every member does her part of the work.

Think of it. Talk about it. Tell your friends. The *Union Signal* and the *MESSAGE* for \$1.10. Your minister can have them for 75 cents. Three thousand copies of this issue of *THE MESSAGE*; two thousand in the first. A name for the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE* will count one in your club of twelve.

Mattie O. Cammack has been at work in her own county since her return from her two day's trip to Dearborn county.

Mary E. Wright, of Greensburg, sold Convention numbers of the *Union Signal*. Profits used in Christmas gifts.

Eunice Wilson, Grant County, is reporting National Convention.

Orange County reports two saloons closed with a prospect of others doing likewise.

Harrodsburg has a soliciting committee to solicit new members. They hold parlor socials with literary programs. Their first contest this year will be held soon.

Valparaiso reports interest increasing with a prospect of new members. Had a very interesting lecture on Social Purity.

Henry County Treasurer reports much interest in the Hadley Industrial School and will send money to aid in this great work.

Many counties are having good success in circulating the Cigarette Petition. Let's keep it going.

Spiceland Union is planning printed programs for the year.

Vanderburg County promises active work in securing new members and will push medal work.

All members present at the last meeting of Walnut Ridge Union promised to bring in one more sheaf during this quarter. They will make an effort to secure as many honoraries as they have active members. Will take up medal work and report results in another issue of *THE MESSAGE*.

South Bend Union will supply all ministers of their city with the *Union Signal*. Will not all other Unions do likewise. Subscription price to ministers only 50 cents:

Mapleton, Marion County, will organize an L. T. L., Friday, Jan. 8th. A Suffrage Contest will be held in the near future.

Mrs. Vella Lewis, President Stuben County writes that she expects many subscribers for *THE MESSAGE* and *Union Signal* under the new club rate of \$1.10 for both.



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## CALL FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

I hereby notify the members of the Executive Committee of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, that the Mid-year meeting will be held March 16th to 18th, 1897, in Greensburg.

Entertainment will be provided for all members in attendance, by the Greensburg Union. All members are urged to be present.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
President.

### PROGRAM.

For Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting to be held at Greensburg, Ind., March 16th to 18th.

MARCH 16TH, 2 TO 3 P. M.

Praise and Song Service.

Roll Call, Responses to be a statement of the most important work done in respective counties since Logansport Convention.

Reading of Minutes of Central Committee meetings.

Correspondence.

Reports of Secretary and Treasurer.

Unfinished business.

New business.

MARCH 16TH, 7:30 P. M.

The speakers will be according to the plan for meritorious county representation as given in Jan. Message.

MARCH 17TH.

Discussion of Life Membership for a fund for organization.

Discussion of plans for organization.

Financial Plan for department fund.

Electing delegates to the World's W. C. T. U. Convention.

Discussion of adopting uniform report blanks.

Communications from State Sup'ts.

Reading of invitations for Convention of 1897 and planning the program for the same.

MARCH 17TH, 7:30 P. M.

Address, by Mrs. Ella A. Boole, of New York. A National Lecturer.

Music in charge of Mrs. D. E. Studebaker our musical director.

Bring White Ribbon Hymnals.

Bring County Banners.

Every County President is urged to respond to roll call and to stay until close of the session.

Note books and pencils are indispensable.

## W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE.

Program for Semi-Annual County Convention as arranged by County Executive.

FIRST DAY EVENING.

7:30—Devotion.

7:45—Suffrage Contest or Address or L. T. L. or Y. W. C. T. U. Evening.

SECOND DAY MORNING.

9:00—Bible-Reading, The Christian Warfare.

9:45—Organization. Appointment of Secretaries, Enrolling and Reporting.

10:00—The Six Essentials of a Live Successful Union. Discussion.

11:00—Aids indispensable to our Work, Department Leaflets, etc., THE MESSAGE and The Union Signal.

11:45—Especial Need of Systematic Press Work.

12:00—Noontide Prayer.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Devotion.

2:15—Duties of Officers and Members. Rights and Privileges. A Definite Plan of Work, etc.

2:45—Our House Beautiful and its inmates. What Plan for Support will we make Practical? Discussion.

3:15—Other Affiliated Interests and our Relation to them.

3:30—A Department Fund.

3:45—Parliamentary Law or Question Box.

4:05—Encouraging Features and Facts in our Work. Praise Service.

4:30—Adjourn.

## EVENING.

7:30—Devotion.

7:45—Address or Symposium.

### SUBJECTS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

Legalized Wrong. "Thou hast given a Banner to them that fear Thee; that it may be displayed because of the Truth."

The Saloon-Keeper's Ledger.

The Cigarette and its train of seductive evils.

Shall our boys be Sacrificed?

The Legal Status of Woman—Privileges, Obligations, etc.; W. C. T. U. Contests and Conquests since 1884.

FEBRUARY 1ST, 1897.

To-day we enter upon the second quarter of our W. C. T. U. year, and I cannot refrain from saying to my White Ribbon Comrades, Happy Greeting. The fetters of winter are beginning to give way; and as I look from my window I see the birds are flying to and fro in the maples and beginning to chatter (planing their work.) As I look at my letter files I am reminded that many of us have been quite busily engaged chattering through the mails and through the press during the zero weather—about Organization, Industrial School work, Legislative work, etc., planning and doing our work.

But the most interesting chatter which has been coming to me recently is from County Presidents about Normal Institutes, and what I may have failed to fully answer at an earlier date I hope now to answer through "THE MESSAGE" as it seems destined to take a broader flight.

You will remember that a modification of the Institute Plan of last year was adopted at our last State Convention which allows any county to hold an Institute in joint session with another county or with other counties at some point agreed upon. Such counties as prefer this plan should confer together early, taking into consideration also the time and place of holding their Semi-Annual Conventions.

Now a few words about the Program. The one-half day allowed for Semi-Annual Convention last year proved too short a time in some cases. This year a full day is allowed. The evening session following can be used quite successfully (as it was last year) for holding a Contest with 10 cts. admission, and the proceeds can be used to defray the expense of the Institute.

Another feature of the Program is fewer subjects, and longer time for discussion. The first topic—The Six Essentials, etc., well understood and practically carried out will give such effective W. C. T. U. work throughout the state as we have never had. Can we not this year have a general study of the program before the Institute opens? For this first topic every member is requested to make a brief written statement of what she regards the six leading essentials of a successful union and bring two copies of it with her to the Institute. One copy to be retained by herself and the other handed to the chair. Also please have pencils and tablets on hands this time at the first meeting.

With but few exceptions County Presidents have been chosen as Superintendents of Institute Work. Many of these are already at work dividing liberal things for the coming Institute. In a few counties where no choice has been made the President is requested to act. She can call her Executive her aid.

Now as to available workers for the Program. No part of it last year was more satisfactory than that carried out by local workers and we trust many more bright, helpful women will be developed this year. Also we are glad to announce that some of our ablest national workers will be available for the earlier Institutes at least, Mrs. Ella Boole of N. Y., and others. For dates and terms see "THE MESSAGE." All of the State Officers will plan to assist in the work if called in due time and Superintendents of Departments whose help is desired should be called upon promptly that they may give their best service. All who can favor the Institute work are requested to send their terms to THE MESSAGE if they have not already done so.

Terms for State Officers are as follows: For the President, Vice-President and Recording Secretary each \$5.00 and expenses. Cor. Sec'y \$3.00 and expenses. For the Treasurers, expenses only. Traveling expenses, as last year, will probably mean in almost every case not more than a round trip ticket from Indianapolis. In many cases it was made to mean much less than this, and this can be done again if counties near together make consecutive dates for one or more workers and notify the Secretary, Mrs. Balch, who will plan the best route possible if you address her promptly. Later we hope to have her in the field.

Much depends upon local arrangements—place

of meeting, entertainment, music and especially the advertisement which should be by enthusiastic announcement and through local and county papers with program insert d, at least two weeks before Institute opens. I have tried to answer questions proposed by those new in the work it may be at the expense of being tedious to those experienced but will most cheerfully continue to do so for those who wish to confer further in its interests.

For the best results order of the W. T. P. A. and have on hands at Institute Department and other literature. It will cost you but a trifle as compared with the gain. Especially will you need as many copies as you have persons in attendance, of the Bible Reading on program, "The Christian Warfare."

MARY HADLEY, Sup't.

## LEGISLATIVE WORK.

Much time and energy has been spent in an effort to secure some much needed legislation.

Representative Thomas, of Rushville, introduced a bill to raise the age of consent from 14 years to 18 years. This passed the House after being amended to 16 years. This bill met with strong opposition, several expressed themselves as fearful that such a law would encourage blackmail (?) after the close of the discussion and the adjournment of the House our friend and brother S. J. was in the elevator with several members of the House and heard one of them say to another, "I couldn't vote for that Bill, if we had such a law I'd be in jail half of my time."

I sent out two hundred communications on this subject to as many ministers urging them to send memorials from churches and personal letters to the House and Senate urging the passage of this Bill. Unless there is effective work done now this will not get through the Senate. We have felt the need of the influence of our educators against the cigarette. Believing them to be better informed and more interested in the subject than any other class. I sent personal letters to nearly all of our college Presidents and to five hundred Sup'ts and Principals of City Schools asking for their co-operation and help. Many of them have sent personal letters to members of Legislature and memorials from their corps of teachers to the Senate and House.

The Senate passed the Shively license cigarette bill, and afterward passed the McCord prohibitory bill. The House had nearly a dozen cigarette bills one of which was the Reynolds bill (same as the McCord Senate bill.) These were all referred to Rights and Privileges Committee which reported a substitute for the Reynolds bill. This substitute is prohibitory, restricting the sale to minors (under 21 years) with a penalty of a fine for first offence, fine and imprisonment for second offence. Time for discussion of the bill was set for 2 p.m. Monday, February 1st. Announcements to this effect were sent to our City White Ribboners and to many ministers to read in Sunday services. Notwithstanding the snow storm, at the appointed time the galleries and all available seats in the House were filled with those interested in an anti-cigarette law. That morning almost every member of the House had received a petition with a long roll of names attached. When the subject was mentioned Representative East, of Monroe and Brown Counties, arose and unrolled a list of voters' names 13 feet long also containing many women's names, following him in quick succession were about sixty members standing and unrolling long lists from their counties, the longest being 79 feet of voters' names. The total length of lists of voters' names being nearly 700 feet. The oldest members of the House say that they never saw such a sight in the House so convincing in regard to the desires of the people. (The Indianapolis Journal does not mention this occurrence.)

Much enthusiasm prevailed. Representative East, of Bloomington, offered a strong amendment, making it the especial duty of the Prosecuting Attorneys to enforce this law. Amendment carried after a powerful speech by Representative East. The Bill as amended passed the House under the suspension of rules with only three negative votes. The objections to the original bill as expressed by many were that the Inter State Commerce law would make an entire prohibitory law inoperative, stating that to make it restrictive to minors it would be operative and effective.

If the Senate passes the substitute Reynolds Bill 167, it will be far better than our present law; better for the cause than a license law. Its enforcement and penalty provisions are good.

All persons who read this article are urged to send personal appeals to the Senators to pass the Thomas Age of Consent Bill No. 201, which has passed the House. The victory is not won push on the fight against cigarettes. The Tennessee Legislature has just passed a prohibitory cigarette law.

Yours for Humanity,  
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS:—Now one page of this paper is all our own. It is for our use to further the interest in our work. I have sent cards to every State Superintendent asking for an article at once. They have been put in, as nearly as possible, in the order in which they came to me. There are just fifteen of you who have not responded to this invitation, as yet. Will you not do so at once? At any time you may have anything which you wish to bring before the local workers write it out and send to me in time and I will get it before them as soon as possible. Let's keep our page full of useful thoughts.

Yours for service,  
CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

1. Number of pages of literature circulated?
2. Number of Sabbath sermons the first week in April?
3. Number at other times?
4. Number of prayer meetings held the first week in April?
5. Number of public meetings held to promote Sabbath Observance?
6. Number of signatures secured to Sabbath Observance pledge.
7. Number of names and endorsements to National Sunday Rest Petition.
8. What has been done to close Sunday post-offices, saloons, and groceries?
9. What has been done against the Sunday newspaper, base-ball, and excursions?
10. What other work done?

CULLA J. VAYHINGER, State Sup't.

### NARCOTICS.

DEAR SISTERS:—We wish to thank you all for your hearty co-operation in the cigarette petition work. At this writing (Jan. 28), forty-seven counties have sent in signatures. Total number, 16,700. Elkhart heads the list with 2,758 names; 1978 of them voters. Grant is second, Shelby third. We cannot say too much in praise of our State President, Mrs. McWhirter. Always alert; through slush, and cold, and snow; often in weariness and pain, she has never failed to be in the place where she could do the most for our cause. May God bless her. The other State officers, too, have done what they could; and Mrs. Mary Sims and Mrs. J. B. Hand have proven themselves a host.

Will county superintendents answer the following questions at the end of the year. If you have no superintendent let the President please answer for her.

Report of.....County for the year ending Sept. 10, 1897.

1. Give name and P. O. of Supt.
2. No. of signatures to cigarette petition.
3. No. of churches and other assemblies endorsing the petition.
4. No. of persons endorsing Memorials.
5. No. of sermons preached.
6. No. of lectures given.
7. No. of Narcotic Contests.
8. No. of pages of narcotic literature distributed.
9. How many subscriptions to the "Anti Tobacco Gem," published by C. H. Shepherd, Melvin Village, N. H.
10. How many copies of the anti-tobacco law have been distributed?
11. No. of Anti-Tobacco Leagues organized.

A solid silver League Badge, enameled in red, may be had for \$1.75 a dozen.

### PLEDGE.

Abstaining myself from all narcotic, I promise to use my influence to induce all girls and boys to do the same.

The very best way is to organize the League in the day school under the control of the teachers. Get the girls to join, and then set them to work to bring in the boys.

Yours for work,

FANNIE CALKINS, Supt. Narcotics,  
Portland Indiana.

### DEPARTMENT OF MERCY.

DEAR SISTER:—I have prepared a list of questions for the help of Superintendents in my Department, which I think will serve as a guide to those who do not know just what to do. Please cut them out and keep them for future reference. If you have no Superintendent of Mercy, will you not hold three or four meetings during the year in the interest of this work and report to me? Make a public meeting of it, and show by your addresses, papers, recitations and songs how closely allied is the W. C. T. U. with the work of humane education. I should much prefer a superintendent, but where one cannot possibly be found try the other plan, and by writing to me for information I will help you all I can. Let me have some good work to report next convention. I will give addresses, in the next MESSAGE, where literature can be obtained, so all take the MESSAGE and let us help each other.

1. Have the State laws, against cruelty been published in newspapers and otherwise?
2. Have any remonstrances been made against cruelty toward children or animals?
3. Have you distributed literature, and what kind?
4. Have any arrests for cruelty been made through your efforts, or that of any W.C.T.U. woman?
5. Have any Bands of Mercy been organized in S. School, public school, L. T. L's, Epworth League's or Christian Endeavor Societies? If so, how many members?
6. Have any efforts been made to secure the co-operation of teachers, Sunday or day school superintendents, or ministers?
7. Have any sermon against cruelty been preached?
8. Has literature on vivisection been given to physicians, editors of newspapers, or others?
9. Have any articles been written for the press? Any public addresses made?
10. Have any signers been obtained to anti vivisection petitions, or to the bird pledge, against wearing birds and egret plumes on hats or bonnets?
11. Do you provide humane literature for prisoners?
12. Have you urged at conventions personally or by letter the adoption of this Department by all local unions?

MRS. LOU RAILL.

Huntington Ind.

### RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

DEAR RAILWAY WORKERS:—It is my desire to make a full report of the work done in our State for railroad men, and the other classes of employees included in the mission of the Railway Department.

Following are a list of questions which should be answered in your reports.

1. Literature distributed in offices, shops, boarding places, and hospitals.
2. Caboose or way-cars equipped.
3. Number copies of Bibles, Testaments and hymnals furnished.
4. Number of Bibles either donated or furnished at reduced rates by American Bible Society, or from other sources.
5. Railroad Temperance Associations. Members organized during year and entire number now existing.
6. Number of pledges taken against drink, gambling, white cross pledges.
7. White buttons used.
8. Meetings in shops, cottage meetings, public mass-meetings, and special services by pastors of churches.
9. In how many places was the first Sunday of March observed as "Railway Men's Day?"
10. How many pastors statedly offer definite prayer for Railroad men? What special effort is made to gain attendance of employees at regular church services?
11. Are general surroundings of employees at restaurants, lodging and boarding places noted?
12. Flower mission visits to the sick, funerals attended, floral emblems bestowed.
13. Have you secured the co-operation of organiza-

tions of railway employees, and to what extent?

14. Report work among women employees if any.
15. Report work for motormen, cablemen, policemen, firemen and trackmen.

Will each County President please see that a Superintendent is appointed in your County, and send her name to me, that I may send her a plan of work.

Yours for a good years' work,  
L. W. CANDLER.

### PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

In the Department of Peace and Arbitration Local and County Superintendents are requested to keep such records as will enable them to answer to the following queries when reports are due.

1. How many Local Unions in your County have Peace and Arbitration Department?
2. How many pages of Literature distributed?
3. Have you held Peace Contests?
4. What other meetings held?
5. No. of ministers who have preached Peace through your invitation.
6. What Press Work done for this Department.
7. Amount of money contributed and expended in this Department?
8. By what means do you consider that most interest has been awakened in the subject of Peace and Arbitration?

DEAR LOCAL UNIONS:—As a part of our work for the first quarter of this year of 1897, it is hereby suggested that each Union promptly appoint, (if this has not already been done), a Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration, and that this Superintendent make it her business "to have and to hold" during this first quarter, one Peace Contest, the contestants being adults, and one Peace and Temperance Entertainment by the children, this in connection with the L. T. L. if suitable. Arrange programs that shall be at once profitable and entertaining, inviting some outside the W. C. T. U. to take part in the contest. Offer an appropriate prize and the public will not object to paying an admission fee, which may net at least a small sum to aid in carrying on the work through the year.

Further suggestions or aid will be gladly given to as many as will promptly take up the work of this department if they will write me. Rom. 14:19.

H. LAVINIA BAILEY, Sup't.

Spiceland, Ind.

### SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

I accept this place because of the resignation of Miss Pugh, subject to the action of the Executive Committee in March, and that no time may be lost, dear sisters, in the local Unions, give me kind attention and answer my questions and please do the work in your Union or by special Superintendent.

1. How many of the officers in your Union practice tithing?
2. How many members in your Union?
3. Will you appoint a Superintendent in your February or March meeting and report name and address to me?
4. Having no Superintendent will you hold a meeting of the Union in the interest of the Department.
5. Will you hold a public meeting?
6. Was the subject presented at your County Conventions, Spring and Fall?
7. Give titles of leaflets used.
8. Report any special effort.
9. Have you read God's word on this subject in your Union?
10. Give number of such lessons.

MRS. S. M. SHELTON, 160 Court Ave.,  
Jeffersonville, Ind.

### COLORED WORK.

1. Have you a colored population? How many?
2. Name their churches and schools if any.
3. Have you a Superintendent of this department?
4. What effort have you made for organization?
5. Have you introduced temperance pledge in their Sunday-schools and young peoples' societies?
6. Have you tried to introduce temperance papers?
7. Have you given them literature?
8. On what subjects.
9. Have you induced them to hold contests?
10. Have you held contests with their children?
11. Have you provided any public lectures for them?
12. Have they themselves had lectures on reforms? How many?

MRS. MARY SIMS, State Sup't.  
Cor. of Central Ave. and Old 26th Street, Indianapolis.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.

MRS. FRANCES A. POTTER, President,  
444 N. East St., Indianapolis.  
MRS. PHEBE R. CURREN, Secretary,  
200 College Ave., Indianapolis.  
MRS. ELLA B. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Greensburg.  
MISS MARY HADLEY, Lecturer,  
Bloomington, Parke County.

### INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL NOTES.

We are glad the MESSAGE goes to you again and we hope you are ready, and anxious to hear more of the Industrial School. We have some things to tell that we consider cheering and as usual we inform you of the needs of the work. First we have a beginning for a poultry house. Now right here let me suggest something. If the poultry business is properly handled, and there is no reason why it should not be, it will be a source of income to the school with less expense than any other work that can be done on the farm. My suggestion. Let some individual, Union or County found this industry, pay one hundred dollars and have it credited as a memorial. We have a small beginning—a rough house, too small, but a shelter for nearly all of the fowls. The ground is there for houses and yards, the fowls will cost nothing but feed; what is needed are the houses and fencing; for the gardens and fruit must be protected. Friends *think* and I believe you will do something. If this could be started right it would go a good way toward supplying the needs of the school and there would be fewer calls for money.

### FURNACES.

On the twenty-eighth of January, one of the coldest days of the winter, the man who put the furnaces in the Hadley School building accompanied by a reliable architect went to Hadley and thoroughly examined the heating of the building. I am glad to say that the furnaces in the judgment of the architect are very satisfactory, also what has been considered a defect in the dry air closets has been remedied and they now work well. But this was also added to the reports of both gentlemen. The furnaces should be attended to by one person and the superintendent and girls should not be required to do it as the work is too heavy for a woman's strength. This, however, will be provided for in the future now that we have the assurance that the furnaces are reliable.

### OUR FAMILY.

We are proud of our little girls. They promise to do fair work in the Home and Public School. Their teachers, we believe, are doing their utmost on their part and the pupils are happy and interested in their studies.

One of our eighth grade girls on her examination has ninety-four per cent; nearly all of the younger ones are doing equally well.

### OUR HELPERS

Our patient, painstaking women who for months have carried on the work in the Home under many privations and discouragements deserve commendation. With reference to their work they can truly say, "I will not be burdensome to you; for I seek not yours but you." Though the Board is not under obligation to report through the paper their contract with the superintendent yet to correct false reports that have been circulated with regard to the salary paid her we will state, Mrs. Hannes, your superintendent receives fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per month for her services.

### NEEDS.

We hear by the by that there is a harness on the way to the Home or Farm for which we are grateful. How about the one horse wagon. We trust that will come by the time the harness gets here. We need garden seeds and always money to use judiciously for many things. Most of all we need your care and thought and the little or much you can do to make your adopted child comfortable.

Right here let me say we thank those who have so promptly responded to the request lately sent out in regard to funds, telling what they are expecting to do. Dear sisters, staunch and true we really believe you will make an effort to relieve your work of this burden of debt. Will it frighten or discourage you to say two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) is all we need to clear off all debts from the Hadley School. Take your pencil and paper, your conscience, your generous heart and your means and by these figure out what your part is in the matter. Sisters, I make this appeal to you and ask you to put yourself in my place. Time after time for over two years these bills are sent in with the request to settle. I with other members of the

Board have given time and money for this work and this goes freely but it hurts me to be asked if the W. C. T. U. can't pay this small bill. I would advise you, women, lend your paper to your gentlemen friends and perhaps their interest will be awakened and their purses will be opened to relieve you.

Yours in loving service,  
FRANCES A. POTTER.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS:—I have written to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, our National Superintendent for suggestions and plans of work, also sent for literature, which I, in turn, will give to you as I learn your names and addresses. It is the duty of the Co. Sup't. to confer with the president or secretary of every local Union, and secure the appointment of a local superintendent in each. To present the work at County Sunday-school Conventions, at W. C. T. U. meetings, and to have a general oversight over the county. The local Sup't shall supervise the work in the various Sunday-schools of her town confer, with the Sunday-school Superintendents and secure some efficient woman for Temperance Secretary in each school, who will co-operate with her and the Sunday-school superintendent in introducing and maintaining thorough and systematic work. Much depends upon this Secretary, for it is through her you will get your reports, and thus know what is being done.

1. Sunday-school membership.
2. Pledged Sunday-school membership.
3. Pages of temperance literature used in Sunday-school; books in Sunday-school libraries, pages of literature used in department work.
5. Concerts, addresses and mass-meetings.
4. What do you consider the greatest need of this department?
6. To what extent was the fourth Sunday of Nov., 1896, our universal Temperance Sunday, observed in your town. In your county?

Plan to have this day observed by all Sunday-schools, Epworth Leagues and Christian Endeavor Societies, ask your minister to preach temperance sermons.

See that the Quarterly Temperance lessons are taught. Watch the *Union Signal* for communication from our National Superintendent. Mrs. Ingalls' advice at the National Convention was, "Work for the Children." Is not this an open door to them?

To do effective work we must pray, read, study, work and report. I will gladly answer all letters received.

Yours for temperance teaching in the Sunday-schools.

ALICE G. GEARY,  
State Sup't.

### UNFERMENTED WINE.

DEAR SISTERS:—Through our paper THE MESSAGE I hope to reach all the county and local Unions and interest them in this department. Instead of blanks I send through the paper the following questions to be answered during the year.

1. Have you a superintendent of this Department?
2. Do any of the churches in your vicinity use the fermented wine at the Lord's table?
3. Have you visited the ministers' meetings and brought this subject before them?
4. Have you asked them to preach on this subject at least one sermon?
5. Have you given special attention to unorganized districts by visiting them?
6. Do you report to the State superintendent all that is done in this department?
7. Will you through out the year do all you can to banish fermented wine from our Lord's table?

Hoping these questions may find many at work for God and humanity.

I am yours in the work,  
J. R. WOOD,

56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### FRANCHISE DEPARTMENT.

DEAR FELLOW WORKERS:—I send out this early, 14 questions that you may be the better prepared to answer them about September 20.

Let us have a thorough energetic soulful plowing and sowing of Indiana with franchise sentiment all this year, brought about by using the several different methods recommended in the "Franchise Plan" printed in THE MESSAGE of January.

1. Name and address of Superintendent.
2. Have you a political science study class?
3. Have you used the course of study proposed in the Plan of Work?
4. Number of lectures on Suffrage.
5. Number of Contests.

6. No. of parlor meetings.
7. No. of prizes in public schools.
8. No. of Suffrage days in Summer Assemblies.
9. No. of pages of literature distributed.
10. No. of Medals awarded.
11. No. of Suffrage papers taken.
12. Have you used the press?
13. No. of items furnished.
14. Can you see any advance in Suffrage sentiment?

If you have done any other suffrage work please report.

M. A. TOMPKINS, State Sup't.

### PHYSICAL CULTURE DEPARTMENT.

Suggestions to County Superintendents for work in county and through Local Unions.

1. Secure the assistance of some wide awake woman in each Union who will make this her special effort.
2. Arrange a department reading, for one regular meeting of the local Union, each month. These can be prepared from the department package of literature, which can be purchased of the National Superintendent. Send postage stamp for list. Helpful articles are to be found in daily papers and periodicals. Let the first "Reading" include "The connection of Physical Education with Temperance."

3. Enlist the Unions in the county to secure the services of some competent specialist, for a course of lessons and lectures. An engagement at several points will secure better terms. Arrange classes for both children and adults. With proper effort the Board of Education may decide to pay the expense of a "Teacher's Class."

4. Seek out some capable woman in each county, advising that she take the four weeks special course at Columbia School of Oratory to be conducted under W. C. T. U. auspices from July 6-31, 1897.

With classes promised among the Unions (or service, in some shape, in the county) the moderate expense incurred need not be a hindrance. For full information, address Miss Mary A. Blood, Director Columbia School of Oratory, Chicago.

5. Secure place for this subject (to be followed with discussion) on the County W. C. T. U. Convention programs. The Department Literature will aid here. At these County Conventions, "five minute respite exercise," each session, under the direction of some specialist, or member having taken the brief course, will rest the delegates, and give some practical information.

6. Interest the Y. P. S. C. E. and Epworth Leagues, in the Gospel of Sound Bodies. Ask that this be made the theme of some Union meeting of these societies.

7. Petition the "Executive" of the County Teachers' Institutes, to employ a Physical Instructor for their next session. Said instructor can, also, take charge of Physiology, or Elocution. Even one evening lecture by a competent specialist, will be helpful.

8. We need the co-operation of physicians. Ask them to consider and discuss this question at the next sessions of their Medical Associations (District, County and Local,) suggesting a topic: "The Relation of systematic physical training to the health of the people, from the physicians' standpoint."

9. Improve every opportunity to distribute pertinent literature. This can be found in the department supply. "Is American Stamina Declining," by Dr. Blaikie, N. Y., should be read by every one.

10. Enlist Boards of Education to test the sight and hearing of children in the public schools. Teachers can be instructed sufficiently to assist with these examinations, making the expense slight. These physical defects in many cases, account for sluggish pupils, and deficient work, and can be largely remedied, leading to better physical conditions generally.

11. Some health magazine should find its way regularly into every home. We recommend the following: (a) "Good Health" conducted by Dr. J. H. Kellogg, Battle Creek, Michigan. Price, \$1.75 including a new book—"The Household Monitor." (b) "The Health Magazine," published at Washington. Price, \$1.00. (c) Life and Health, Price, \$1.00. The Gazette Publishing Company, Broadway, N. Y.

12. The publication of these suggestions in our State W. C. T. U. will be of service in our work. They come from the National Superintendent of Physical Culture.

Let us abide by the above suggestions and see if Indiana will surpass any other state in good work done for the health of its people.

Yours for service,  
CLARA AGNES BOYD, State Sup't.  
Rockville, Ind.



## FAIRS.

It may seem a little premature to talk about fairs now, but experience has proved that a little thought in advance brings its own reward. It will be the purpose of fair department to secure laws and by-laws requiring teetotal absence of intoxicants from grounds and buildings. Oppose the many side attractions that are too frequently allowed on fair grounds. In counties where immoral practices prevail, such as gambling, horse racing etc., try to co-operate with the board in bringing the tone of the fairs to a higher moral sentiment.

Have attractive booths with an abundance of temperance literature for free distribution, refreshment stands, or dining hall, check-stand, rest room, ice water furnished free from barrels, with Woman's Christian Temperance Union inscribed. At each of these places have persons who are well acquainted with the people (and who are not easily tired) hand out literature done with such care that the recipients will feel that a favor is being conferred upon them, and will appreciate it accordingly. Let there be no stint of temperance literature.

Dear co-workers, let us consecrate ourselves to this work God has given us to do, and prove true what we have sung, "You may count on Indiana till stars fade from the blue." Not only making this Dep't. a financial success, but aid in spreading the pure gospel of temperance. Write to me for any information concerning fair work.

1. Did you strive to secure the best class of agriculturists on your county board?
  2. Does your county prohibit the sale of intoxicants on fair ground?
  3. Have you any woman on agricultural or directors board?
  4. Was your Union represented at county fair?
  5. How many Unions were represented?
  6. Mention Unions?
  7. Did your Union provide a temperance program?
  8. Was it carried out?
  9. How many pages of literature distributed?
  10. How many Union Signals?
  11. How many MESSAGES?
  12. How many meals, or luncheons did you serve?
  13. What revenue did you realize?
  14. Did you furnish ice water free?
  15. Did you have some one with a subscription book to take names for the Union Signal, and our own State paper? Mention result?
  16. How many addresses by women?
  17. How many signatures to the pledge?
  18. Did you have check stand?
  19. How many potted plants contributed? By whom?
  20. How many sold? What revenue?
  21. Did your Union contribute to the State fair?
  22. Did you have "Souvenir side table," where small favors were sold at reasonable prices?
- MRS ADA LECK, State Sup't,  
Indianapolis, 901 Capital Ave.

## ORPHANS' HOMES.

This department has for its aim the bettering of the conditions of dependent children, thereby aiding them to a higher standing in life in the years to come. The law of our State (Indiana) is reasonably good, and if taken advantage of properly will be well, not only to the child but to the community that supports the Home. The principal of the County Homes is Christian, it being the right, God given, that each County support its own dependents. The failure in so doing is local, and not State, which is just, and the fault can be more easily rectified.

Let us stand by our law as it is and not fail in instructing our law makers, our Representatives to do as the people wish, in our present Legislature. Let us work and pray for protection in this matter. Yours for the care of dependent children,

IDA R. BENHEN,

State Sup't. Orphan Homes.

## MEDAL WORK.

Make annual report from Oct. 1st, 1896, to Oct. 1st, 1897.

No. of Medals:

Demorest—silver, gold, great gold, diamond.

Cooper— " " " "

W.C.T.U.— " " " "

No. of Books:

Demorest.

Cooper.

National Educator.

Total amount of receipts.

" " net "

No. of male classes.

" " contestants.

OUR PLANS FOR THE YEAR.

The cash system strictly adhered to; the special

effort to enlist our boys continued; the report blanks used again; first prize to any county that will hold a diamond contest; second prize to the county holding the greatest number of grand gold contests. A contest in either system counts one.

MARY E. BALCH, State Sup't.

56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

## FLOWER MISSION.

Annual report of the Flower Mission Department of ..... Union of ..... County. Religious services regularly held at how many public institutions?

At how many and what public institutions did your Union observe June 9th as Flower Mission Day? No. of persons brought to Christ.

- " bouquets and baskets of flowers distributed.
- " text cards used.
- " Bibles and Testaments given away.
- " Signers to pledge.
- " Scrap-books given to invalids, almshouses, jails and prisons.
- " magazines and books given away.
- " papers and tracts distributed.
- " poor families helped.
- " sick taken driving.
- " visits to sick.
- " half hours spent in reading to the sick.
- " nights spent in caring for the sick.
- " destitute visited.
- " public institutions visited.
- " sent to the hospital or almshouse.
- " Flower Mission Socials.
- " growing plants given to invalids, inmates of hospitals, prisons, etc.
- " garments given to the needy.
- " pounds of groceries given away.
- " glasses of jelly " "
- " cans of fruit " "
- " meals " "
- " floral designs sent to funerals.
- " L. T. Ls, King's Daughters, Junior Endeavors, Junior Epworth Leagues or other children's organizations have assisted in the work of this department.

MISS REBA TUSLEY, State Sup't,

Terra Haute.

Associates:

MISS ADA VANSICKLE, Jefferson.

MRS. MARGARET T. SHARP, Charlestown.

MISS GEORGINA MOSER, Loogootee.

MRS. TUDA WORTHLEY, Michigan City.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Questions for Annual Report of Co. Supt's. in Scientific Temperance Instruction.

1. Name of County Superintendent?
2. No. Local Superintendents or Assistants?
3. No. teachers in county?
4. No. who use Indiana Series of Physiologies revised by Prof. Jenkins?
5. No. subscriptions to School Physiology Journal?
6. No. teachers who use other reference books. State what Series?
7. No. schools supplied with Temperance Educational Wall Rolls?
8. No. visits to schools in the interest of the work, by superintendents?
9. No. visits to institutes by superintendents?
10. No. visits to school or Institute in interest of the work by patrons?
11. What efforts have been made socially, to gain the interest and sympathy of Teachers?
12. County prizes offered?
13. Local prizes offered?
14. No. lectures on Scientific Temperance?
15. No. entertainments?
16. No. pages literature distributed?
17. No. temperance declamations furnished for schools?
18. No. temperance songs furnished for schools?
19. No. items furnished the press?
20. Work in public institute?

ADAM W. WHITE, State Sup't.,

Oxford Ind.

## PARLIAMENTARY USAGE.

1. How many Unions in your County?
2. How many practice Parliamentary Law?
3. How many drills have been conducted in your Unions?
4. How many at your County Conventions?
5. Do the women study Parliamentary Law?
6. What helps do you use?
7. Name of County Superintendent or Local if County is unorganized.

MRS. E. D. HARDY, State Sup't.

Goodland, Ind.

## HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

The special work for the year will be agitation and education toward incorporating industrial training in the curriculum of our public schools.

If you cannot appoint a Superintendent, please hold at least one meeting during the year in the interest of this most important subject. Be sure to advertise well and prepare a program. Write me and I will send some helps and leaflets for such a meeting, a limited supply.

1. Report name and address of Superintendent.
2. Average attendance at the public meeting.
3. Send copy of program and the press notices.
4. Did you study the work in your Union?
5. Did you introduce the subject to the notice of your County Convention?
6. How many pages of literature given out on the subject?

Having had some very interesting and helpful correspondence last year I solicit the same this year. Let every sister interested write me whether she encloses a stamp or not. This new work with that of the past year not finished will keep us very busy I hope.

MARY MOODY, State Sup't.

127 St. Mary's St., Indianapolis.

## PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

1. How many County Superintendents?
2. How many Local Superintendents?
3. What has been done to advance the study of the Bible as literature?
4. Have you done anything to arouse public sentiment for the good and beautiful, making Christ the highest type of art?
5. What has been done to introduce the work of the Inner Mission?
6. Have you endeavored to influence parents to provide healthy reading for their children?
7. Have you warned parents and guardians against the impure in Literature and Art?
8. How many sermons have been preached upon Literature and Art?
9. What have you done to interest the churches in the work?
10. Have you interested Sunday-schools in this work, examined their libraries and urged plain teaching along these lines?
11. What have you done to introduce the Inner Mission in Christian Endeavor, Epworth League and Young People's Societies.
12. What has the Y. W. C. T. U. done to advance this department work, and the Inner Mission?
13. Have you entered into sympathy with the teachers of colleges and schools to form Bands of the Beautiful? To have a committee in each school to watch that nothing impure enters, either at school time or while at their recreation?
14. Do you visit libraries and reading rooms, and help to purge them from objectional publications, also news stands, bill boards, tobacco stores and art exhibits?
15. What have you done to circulate petitions to the Press and appeals to Editors for an elevated Press?
16. What has been done in the name of outraged childhood, manhood and womanhood, to remove impure illustrations from magazines, journals, literary and art publications.
17. Have you taken good literature to prisons and jails and removed objectionable pictures.
18. What have you done in sending out good literature, newspapers, magazines and pictures to families, reading rooms and persons in need of such help,
19. What have you done to advance the circulation of the publications of the Woman's Temperance Publication Association.
20. What have you done to start and encourage Purity and Temperance reading, and the Chatauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, and especially the Leaflets of this department.
21. Have you had any experience in prosecuting the degrading of woman's form, either by suppressing vile shows or bill boards, or otherwise?
22. What have you done to beautify the homes of the wage worker, the streets and public places of your locality?
23. What have you done toward watching the U. S. mail and express matter of your locality?
24. Have you delivered any addresses or written articles for the Press on this Department Work?
25. Report work of any kind done not mentioned in these questions, bearing upon this department.

Write your full name and address and return not later than July 1st, 1897, to your State Sup't,

HARRIET M. AULT.

Plymouth, Ind.



# THE MESSAGE.

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"NOT BY MIGHT NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT."

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## INDIANA'S SONG.

TUNE: "ANNIE LAURIE."

To be sung at all County Institutes.

Indiana's heard the bugle,  
O army, tried and true,  
She is marching, she is coming,  
To pledge her faith anew.  
To pledge her faith anew  
To live or die with you,  
You may count on Indiana  
Till stars fade from the blue.

We are thankful to say to our readers and the Unions that the MESSAGE has come to stay. You may look for it the first week in every month. It is a financial success, but when you read this, remember the success lies in the fact of having all the work done gratuitously. Financial success is one thing—there is another point to be gained, if it is a success as a helper in our work; it must be in the hands of our entire membership. Hence the solicitation for subscribers must continue with just as much vigor as before this word was sent out to you. Dear sister, continue to send in your clubs.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:—The Legislature has been very busy with matters of financial interest to communities and corporations until it has no time for the consideration of moral questions.

I am making a directory of local Unions for my own use and will be very thankful to the County Presidents that have not sent me the names of their local Union officers, to do so at once. I need them.

We are nearing the close of the second Quarter of this W. C. T. U. year. Does your secretaries' book show that advancement has been made in the work of the departments? If not, why not?

If you are an officer or superintendent of a department in a Union fill your place to the very best of your ability. That is all God expects of you. Have as many of your members paid dues as paid during the same time last year? Look at the lists and see what progress your Union is making.

We need the efforts of many more Christian women to help us in this warfare against the liquor traffic.

The active ministers in every community, where there is a Union, should be furnished with the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE*. These two papers will be sent to ministers for seventy-five cents per year. Send names and money to Mrs. A. T. Whitson, our State Treasurer, 1745 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis.

Some of the ministers are not in sympathy with us. We need their influence and help. When they are informed upon the work of the National and Worlds' Unions and upon our State work we believe they will become interested. We have an appeal in a Christian man or woman and must not fail to keep this constantly in mind. As a man thinks so is he, as a man reads so he thinks. We must furnish the reading to many of those whom we desire to think as we do.

Treasurers, be ever faithful in collecting dues and reporting promptly. The standing of your Union in the County and State depends largely upon your efforts.

May the Lord bless the work of the Unions and give our members increased faithfulness and zeal.

Faithfully,  
L. F. MCWHIRTER.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, National Superintendent of Franchise, has just completed a three weeks' tour through our State.

She gave more than a week's work each to Morgan and Marion Counties, two days in Clinton and one in Boone. Her meetings all along the line have been very successful, increasing the membership,

reviving discouraged Unions and greatly strengthening all W. C. T. U. workers.

Where she entered or immediately followed revival services, her work was especially gratifying as were the several parlor meetings held during her stay with us.

On the 22nd of February the fourth anniversary of the Mapleton Union, Miss Brehm addressed about seventy ladies and a few gentlemen at a parlor meeting held at the home of your State Treasurer.

Her address was well suited to the occasion, linking the Washingtonian Movement, with the present, showing the great advancement all along the line, not only in creating public sentiment against the rum-power but in creating a sentiment which will completely emancipate the womanhood of this country; enabling her to stand where God ever intended she should stand by the side of man.

The President of the Union took charge of the programme. The home was tastefully decorated. The inspiring letters W. C. T. U. looked down upon the interested audience from the draperies about the doors; and hatchets here and there were emblematical of the historic occasion.

Light refreshments were served consisting of cream, cake and cookie hatchets made especially for the occasion. The favors given were little wooden hatchets gilded and tied with white ribbon.

Engagements elsewhere will occupy her entire time from now until the 25th of May when she will again be available for work in Indiana for three weeks only.

Any County or Union desiring her services will please notify the Corresponding Secretary at an early date as she can only hold those dates open for a short time.

Yours for an active campaign against the rum power.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## TO COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

Please copy the following questions, answer them in figures and send by March 14th to the State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Balch, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis, that the speakers may be selected pro merits for the County President's evening at the Mid-Year Executive Meeting to be held at Greensburg March 16th to 18th.

County President representing counties having held at least one Executive Committee meeting. Reporting largest No. of public meetings.

"	"	"	active Department Sup'ts.
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"	"	"	L. T. L's.
"	"	"	Contests.
"	"	"	active W. T. P. A. agents.
"	"	"	subscriptions to <i>Union Signal</i> and <i>THE MESSAGE</i> .
"	"	"	signatures to anti-cigarette petition.

" every General Officer of every Union as subscribers to the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE*.

## LECTURE BUREAU.

With much thought and careful planing we have desired to save travel which means time and money for the speakers and the Unions. We have corresponded with some of our very best on the platform, and they have considered the money pressure of the times and have given only living prices. Will the Unions remember they created the Bureau to do this work because we needed these speakers; and answer the letters written to them just as soon as it is possible or your secretary cannot do the work you gave her to do, and get it well done. Mrs. Boole, of New York, in Central, Eastern and North Eastern Indiana, beginning as is now planned at Greensburg the 17th of March at our Executive Meeting. I have now five positive dates, five probable ones, and fifty letters unanswered. I must have

fifteen dates. We get her for \$11 a lecture and entertainment. Mrs. Cramner, of South Dakota, in April at \$5 a lecture and expenses one way from the last place and entertainment. She will be in Central, Western and North Western Indiana and begin in Lake County. Unions in this locality write for this sister. She will give a parliamentary drill in the afternoon when she speaks at night if desired, she makes a specialty of Christian citizenship.

In Southern Indiana Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, of Kentucky, and Mrs. Addie N. Fields, of Illinois. Mrs. Beauchamp is our National Recording Secretary and makes a strong plea for our cause that is hard to resist. She will surely build the membership of the Unions and enthruse those all already enlisted.

Mrs. Fields makes the L. T. L. work her special line and she has a world-wide reputation in this department. Mrs. Beauchamp has \$10 and expenses and entertainment per lecture; no reduction.

Mrs. Fields \$5 per lecture, or \$15 per week, \$50 by the month with expenses and entertainment; work to begin in April. Will our sisters write us from this locality and secure these most worthy helpers, and please answer letters as promptly as possible.

M. E. BALCH.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP AT \$25.

So reads the State constitution. What think you of putting the concentrated energy of the State to work on this part of the constitution, using the money where most needed, for organization?

If a Union makes a life membership, would you allow it to put \$5 in its own treasury and send the \$20 to the State; and the same rule apply to the county? If the State works up one, all the money to go to the State treasury? If an individual gives one, it shall all go to the State, unless the person wishes their Union to have \$5.

The State to furnish a handsome certificate, framed ready to hang up where all may see its utility, and not have it stored away in some dark closet for mice to speculate over. How many life membership by the time of the mid-year meeting?

Will our County Presidents come prepared to act on this plan and arrange the details for the best good of all concerned at our March meeting. A fund for organization in the State would organize it if properly used.

## MOTHER'S MEETINGS.

No doubt you noticed in the last issue of *THE MESSAGE* that the mothers' department was not represented, this was because all the superintendents responded to the call, to represent their work so that there were more articles than our young child, the MESSAGE could contain, and some one was obliged to wait, it was only natural that the "Mothers" should do so. While we are one month late with our questions. I trust we shall not be late when reporting time comes, but shall redouble our energies, so that in the five months left us we may accomplish much.

Yours for home and mother,  
MARTHA L. GIPE.

## GRANDVIEW W. C. T. U.

WHEREAS, Death has visited the home of Sister E. C. Graham of Rockport, and taken her husband, Therefore be it,

Resolved, That in his death the W. C. T. U. has lost an honorary member and worthy helper in their work, and the wife an affectionate and very devoted husband, the son a loving and anxious father, the community a good and useful citizen.

Resolved, That we, as members of the W. C. T. U. will ever cherish his memory in happy and grateful recollection, and that we tender to his widow and son our warmest and tenderest sympathy in their affliction and sad bereavement.

MRS. FANNIE GAGE,  
MRS. M. E. ANDERSON. Com.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### TO STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

DEAR SITTERS:—There are still fourteen of you who have sent no word for your department, for the MESSAGE. Have you anything to say? If you have anything please send your manuscript to me at once. Those of you who have already written, may have some special plans or information which you wish to bring before the local workers. If so, send it. This page is yours, and you surely have enough to say to keep it well filled. Do not put off writing any longer. Please attend to it at once.

Yours Sincerely,  
CULLA VEYHINGER.

### EVANGELISTIC.

The State Superintendent of Evangelistic work wishes to touch the hand and heart of every county and local superintendent, and in fact every member of the W. C. T. U. and say let's be about our work with an earnestness and zeal that means success, that means helpfulness. Realizing as we do, that on the spirituality of our membership, especially the leaders, depends to a great extent the proper progress and development of the work; we must not let this line of work lag or weaken. Then, first, let every member see that her own experience is all that it ought to be, so she shall be able to help others.

Let local and county superintendents hold Evangelistic Conferences of two or three days in which there will be sermons, Bible-readings, discussions of W. C. T. U. work, house to house visitations and kindred topics. Distribute appropriate literature in a kindly manner, interesting the people and inducing them to read. Each union should appoint a superintendent. Where a union feels that they do not have a woman who can take the place, let the union hold one or two meetings during the year in the interest of the department, that would be much better than no effort. Send to Miss Greenwood, 151 Remsen St., Brooklyn, N. Y. for her little volume "Hints and Hints," price 10 cents.

The State Superintendent will be glad to go anywhere to help the work along, on any line, if the ladies will notify her when and where to go. Terms, expenses and collections. She really wants to be helpful as possible and invites correspondence, ask questions, make suggestions, talk freely, let's get acquainted, and above all may every one ask the Lord "what wilt thou have me do," and then do!

Yours in His name,  
ELLA J. DAVIS,  
State Supt.

Richmond Ind., Kinsey St.

### MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Always hold your meeting in a home; never in a hall or church.

Open meeting by singing some selection from White Ribbon Hymnal. Have some good mother, in whom everyone has confidence, lead devotional exercises; they should be spiritual, and in keeping with the subject.

Before commencing the literary part of program another song, either a solo or duet, or by the entire meeting.

A paper on one of the twelve subjects given, or if desirable select one of your own. After the paper, time should be given for discussion. This should be full of interest and not too long; never let a meeting drag.

If possible, at the close of the meeting serve light

refreshments, such as coffee and wafers, or tea, or chocolate with wafers or cake; any light, inexpensive article. The object of this is to keep the mothers together in social intercourse for a short time. This is a good way to have new members feel at home and all will go from the meeting feeling they know and love each other better. A mite collection can be taken for expenses, which will be light.

1. How many mothers' meetings have you held during year?
2. Have you a child-culture circle? If so, with what results?
3. How many subscribers to *The New Crusade*?
4. How many of Dr. Mary Wood Allen's books have you circulated among the mothers of your community?
5. Do you read selections from "A Great Mother?"
6. Do you find mothers' meetings a help to the Union, both in increasing the numbers and interest?
7. State some of the results of holding mothers' meetings?

### LIST OF TOPICS.

1. Woman's influence in the home, church, community.
  2. How much time ought a woman to give, outside of her home?
  3. Woman's work; how can she simplify it? Woman's leisure; how ought she to spend it?
  4. The mother as a reflector.
  5. Confidential relations; what to tell our children about life.
  6. Early religious training of children; the influence on children when they know they are the special subject of prayer.
  7. Foundation of character building; obedience; the rights of a child; best methods of securing truthfulness; best methods of securing reverence.
  8. Dangers to our girls; dangers to our boys.
  9. Reasons for condemning dancing, card playing, and theater going.
  10. Children's parties; how to make them pleasant; how to make home attractive.
  11. How to influence our children to feel their responsibility in the home; how to keep children employed during vacation.
  12. How far should a father instruct his children? Intemperance in the home; narcotics.
- Hoping you will have at least one mothers' meeting a month, I have given you material for twelve meetings.
- Leaflets and books which will aid you in discussing these subjects can be had by sending to the W. T. P. A., Temple, Chicago.

MARTHA L. GIPE,  
State Supt.

496 Broadway, Indianapolis.

### PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

DEAR SISTERS:—You can help make this department of work a success this year if each one will do their part. It has been my thought to bring this work before each union in the State, and if there has been no superintendent appointed for this branch ask that the president of each local union appoint to this work a woman who will consecrate herself wholly to God for fitness to do what the work requires. If we stop to think for only a moment of the need of purity in the literature we read, the pictures which are brought before us daily, of the homes where the word pure is unknown, of the children brought into life, through channels of impurity, we need not question the importance of this work. And this is why we need women who will hold conference day by day with Our Father, seeking wisdom and guidance, such as He only can give to fit us for this work. Then let each local superintendent work in every way to bring our work into recognition, and send to the State Supt. for needed literature, to gain the information and plan of work as adopted by the National Superintendent. By having a local superintendent for each union in the different counties, these superintendents could unite into a Co. organization, appoint a secretary, and then report the work done by each local supt. to the secretary, and she could at the end of each quarter send in report to State superintendent of the work done in her county during the quarter, and when at the close of the year these reports are sent in to the National superintendent, we can see and know just what work has been accomplished, and thus work in a systematic manner, so that the report of our work may make a correct showing at the next National.

We have received a very earnest appeal from Dr. Mary Wood Allen, to urge upon our local and county superintendents this work this coming year.

If the local superintendents will write us and send one cent stamps, we will furnish each one with a circular for the books, for this department, and on

which if ordered through us, will be made a liberal discount. We make this statement, through instructions received from the National Superintendent of Purity. Daily I pray for this work, that the Lord will make me acceptable unto Him, and then acceptable unto those who need help in this line of work.

How many will agree to do likewise? Let us remember "The prayers of the righteous availeth much."

HARRIET M. AULT,  
State Supt.

Plymouth, Ind.

### Y DEPARTMENT.

DEAR Y'S:—As this is my first letter to you this new year, I trust it is not too late to wish you a glad and happy "New Year," may it be a memorable one in the history of each Y. W. C. T. U. of our grand State. May you be more consecrated to the work, more charitable with one another, and above all more prayerful to God for success in winning young men and women to temperate lives in all things and pure ones.

Martinsville Y is always wide awake and let me cull a few secrets from a letter, which I think will show us wherein lies their success.

1. They decided to supply their treasury with free-will offerings by their members.
2. Endeavor to increase their membership by changing their time of meeting in order to get new honoraries.
3. Do what they can toward getting subscriptions for the MESSAGE.
4. Every Y meeting is a parlor meeting held at 7:30 at the homes of the members, devoting an hour to business, literary and musical program, and the rest of the evening is spent socially.
5. And very important, please take note. Our dues are collected promptly. I think this will help a good many Y readers who are constantly asking how shall we conduct our meeting etc, saving much time in writing.

Anderson Y is doing what she can to circulate the Petition for signatures against the manufacture and sale of cigarettes within the State of Indiana.

Reports are coming in very slowly from other Y unions in the State but hope they find all they can do in all lines of temperance work.

Mrs. Allie Anderson organized a Y at Winamac, Pulaski Co., December 12th, 1896, with seven regular members, and we rejoice that good work goes on.

I urge upon each union to pay up their dues as soon as possible so the money, 50 per cent of it, can be used in our Y work.

Lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS, Sec'y. of Y Branch.  
Y questions next issue.

### L. T. L. WORK.

Please Notice, That the Report is for the Quarter. Send direct to my address.

Be very careful to report all there is to report, and do not refuse to report all because there is very little to report.

If you are not the proper person to report, hand this blank to the one who is, or to the President of the W. C. T. U.

Send your report promptly.

1. Name of Leader.
2. Date of organization.
3. Has your Legion a Senior Grade?
4. How many are studying for Diplomas?
5. How many Juniors are studying for the Two Seal Courses?
6. Whole number of "pledged" members.
7. How many are Seniors?
8. How many are Juniors?
9. Total enrolled membership.
10. Number of teachers.
11. Number of regular meetings.
12. Do you celebrate Red Letter Days?
13. Number of Flower Mission Boquets distributed.
14. Name of Agent for Young Crusader.
15. Number of Subscribers to Young Crusader.
16. Have you a Temperance Library?
17. Number of Books in it.
18. State the amount of L. T. L. dues paid.
19. Any other amounts and for what objects.
20. Total amount expended.
21. Give special methods of work.
22. Give interesting incidents.

A. J. GORDON,  
State Secretary L. T. L. Branch.  
Argos, Indiana.

L. T. L's should be careful to pay dues, the State treasurer, Miss Inez Boyer, Frankfort, has written 130 letters and has less than a dozen replies. Do we really care for our children?



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## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



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 Bloomington, Parke County.

## SOMETHING NEW.

DEAR SISTERS:—Judging from the fact that I have failed to hear from all of you, what I have to say about finance will be new to many of you.

Have you ever heard that you are proprietor of an institution know as Hadley Industrial School for girls? I will tell you something about it. Some years ago a man by the name of Addison Hadley, who with his wife Martha, gave to the W. C. T. U. of Indiana some hundred and ten acres of good farming land situated near the town of Hadley, county of Hendricks, State of Indiana, on condition a suitable and commodious house be erected as a home for worthy, needy girls, where they may be taught such things as women ought to know so as to be fitted to become honorable self-supporting women. With much gratitude and overwhelming thanks the boon was accepted and forthwith many enterprising women set themselves to fulfil their part of the contract. A house was built and nearly paid for and after awhile the Home was opened. Now I suppose all of you are not aware that such things have ever transpired. I have reasons to believe some know all I have said and much more, for though they did not work on the building as hod-carriers, they have done equally as difficult work in trying to meet expenses with money that has taken physical, moral, intellectual and spiritual strength to wring out of the pockets of the people.

Women, just for once look this matter squarely in the face. Don't lay down your paper and go to sleep and dream that somehow the debt on the property was paid and oh! how glad you are. But of this be sure, the money will come in no such way. It will take some effort to raise it, and who is to make the effort? Some have done a good deal, some have done a little and some have done nothing. Women, you are responsible for the work you so nobly and enthusiastically assumed; now you have nearly finished paying for the building pray, do not give it up and so confess to failure. Whose business is it to carry on this work? Is it the treasurer's? Is it any other officer's? When you elected them did you expect them to do all there is to be done and raise all the money without help from the rank and file of the W. C. T. U. If each local Union collects and sends one-tenth as much as some members of the Board have done there would be plenty for our needs. I wish each one who is not doing her utmost to clear off this debt would have to sit one hour with a collector holding a bill before her and saying, "madam this account must be settled." Perhaps then she would realize there is need of rousing herself for an effort. Do you ask "what is to be done," I am happy to now have your attention. There are two thousand dollars to be raised at once. Do you ask how it is to be raised. If each one will secure one dollar and send it to the treasurer then the work is done. Many plans have been proposed but plans

are of no use if not put in operation. County Presidents, Local Presidents, Treasurers and every one try for the few days before the mid-year executive meeting to do this one thing—raise money to pay our debt.

## PLANS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION.

Again I will mention that the State at its last convention adopted a plan for paying our contractor and carrying on the work which is all right if carried out by the local unions. Some unions have been loyal to the plan and have forwarded the five dollars, others have sent ten dollars and yet they do not have the satisfaction of knowing the contractor is paid. This does not seem just or right. Will not all local unions promptly raise five dollars and forward it to the Treasurer? This can be done in some one of the many ways already suggested, but please do it promptly. If in no other way divide your town into five districts and let five women start right out and beg one dollar each. Call a meeting of the local union as soon as you read this and arrange to do it at once, and it will prove an easy task. Large unions can as easily collect ten dollars in this way and we hope they will do it.

In one town the union put a notice in the local paper that on a certain day the members of the union would come out in force and ask every business man for a dollar. It politely requested them to have the dollar in place that it might be handed over promptly. The town was districted and at the appointed time the women went forth and promptly returned with forty dollars, and this was not a very large town either. Try this sisters, with an energy of spirit and faith which takes no denial. Our acceptance of the farm and our enthusiastic belief in the necessity for our work it would seem would impel us to do this.

## SOME THINGS NEEDED ON THE FARM.

One of the Board of Trustees has said she is willing to oversee and assist in setting out plants and berry bushes if they can be procured. She is a practical horticulturist and understands the best way to do the work. Send on a large supply of choice stock so we may have something for revenue. A gardener said he realized two hundred and fifty dollars from one acre of strawberries last year, besides supplying a large family with all they could use fresh, canned and in preserves. Don't forget a variety of garden seeds is needed. When our garden gets well started, which we hope will be this year, we will have seeds for future planting. Remember the one horse wagon or buggy, if many are sent we will take care none are thrown away.

About the middle of March the public school closes and there will be some weeks before time to do spring house cleaning and arranging for hot weather, it will be to early to begin gardening and it will be a good time for the girls to do sewing. The friends will see that their wards or daughters are supplied with material. Let each union correspond with the superintendent and send at once what is required. We will try to make expenses as limited as possible, the superintendent will carefully look after the clothing of the girls and will ask only for what is urgently needed, so do not delay in this matter as it will interfere with work later.

## OUR OUTLOOK.

Spring is almost here and with lengthening days, budding trees and springing grass, we look out on the future of our School with hope and bright anticipations. We view our farm fruitful and beautiful under careful cultivation, we see our family healthy, contented, cheerful and happy, and we behold the eyes of our sisters and brothers also turned with pride and pleasure toward the accomplishment of their plans and the reward of their labors. Few of our people realize what has been done and is still going on in laying the foundation of a work that will tell for good not only in the family and State for time, but for eternity. More than we think the attention of people is called to our work and they are waiting to see with what spirit we are carrying it on and ready to help if we prove ourselves worthy. Be not discouraged for in due time we shall reap if we faint not.

## DONATIONS.

A well packed box of most palatable fruit has been received from Frankfort, not a jar or can was broken, also the box was plainly marked showing where it came from. A notice had been previously sent and the box was expected. No freight bill was presented, this is a most satisfactory way of making a donation to the School. Also a large and very ingeniously packed box of apples and vegetables and canned fruit was sent at the same time, it came in excellent condition. No notification of this generous donation had been received. We would be glad to know to whom to give credit.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

As editor of the fourth page for Local and County Unions we want to say the paper has never been large enough to contain all the material furnished it. Will those who write, boil down, be concise, re-read sentences and leave out any unnecessary word or words, and write only on one side of the paper. Some things sent are now too old to appear, we regret this. We had a very newsy letter from the County Press Superintendent of St. Joseph County, we could not find room for it and now we feel she would prefer to write another. We will cull a few items: Our regular meetings well attended and always interesting. The Local Press very complementary in reporting meetings and in praise of Mrs. Taggart and Wells local workers. A White Ribbon quartette is mentioned. The letter told of great activity and consecrated service.

M. E. BALCH.

### COUNTIES.

Cass has named April 7th as the date of its spring convention. Mrs. Beck will be with them. Mrs. Cammack spends a week in their county visiting Galveston, Lucerne, Royal Center and possibly other points beginning March 2nd.

Jasper has a Union fairly started at Remington and they have held three contests. Mrs. Cammack made them a second visit visiting the schools and churches. Mrs. Allie Anderson broke the ground. Mrs. W. C. Smalley is of the faith and reads the *Union Signal* and we may thank God she is at Remington.

Newton has had Mrs. Cammack for service a second time. Bad roads, cold weather and other matters more nearly related to human intervention to contend with. Mrs. Cammack wrote, "pray for me, the field is hard." Brave heart, I fancied the cry a faint echo of the Master's "O ye of little faith." Dear women, you who toil in the Local Unions the way may be rough, but you are at home, you see your loved ones daily, but our organizers are away from home, and must carry the load of tender concern for the dear ones they tried to leave in God's care. Please let us remember our organizers. Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, Mrs. Allie Anderson and Miss Libbie Taber. They would not lose a day if we could see the way to pay them. We think now it must be in life membership; comrades, will you honestly try the plan?

St. Joseph and Elkhart are considering the question of a joint Institute and the president of St. Joseph County writes, "I have another new Union."

Union County writes, "We will hold Institute in April and want Mrs. Cammack with us. Will suit her convenience as to date."

Clinton County takes Mrs. Anderson for a week, visiting new territory. Mrs. Anderson organized Sedalia in a former visit, and they have great hope of the Union. Frankfort is ablaze with work. One saloon-keeper said the W. C. T. U. had nearly ruined his business. Three new members on their way to the meeting had an experience that will very likely prove a baptism of fire, for hardships in the peaceful war make us mighty in good works. One of the three received a blow from the fist of a drunken man standing on the street when they were passing. He was knocked down and afterward arrested. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

Clinton holds its Institute in May at Rossville. The program is in preparation. A suffrage contest is one feature. The County President writes, "THE MESSAGE is just what we want; vacation week I shall canvass for more subscribers."

Hancock and Martin have invited Mrs. McWhirter to attend their Conventions.

### THORNTOWN.

Our W. C. T. U. have a mission Sunday-school in Thorntown. Our children's orphan home is doing well. We have held a series of meetings at the county infirmary and jail, have a child in the Hadley Industrial School and I have a bright little six year old in my own home, rescued from a drunkard's family, which I am holding, to place in the Industrial school if possible. We are looking to give some aid to the School this spring if we can get our younger members in good working order. Our membership is over forty. As a Union we are prosperous. We are well officered and work harmoniously. Our

Press Supt is a help to us. Miss Nettie Hall keeps us before the public each week in both newspapers, *The Argos* and *Thorntown Enterprise*.

Cordially and fraternally yours,  
ORPHA G. CRIST.

### BLOOMINGTON UNION.

We have lately had a rare treat in a lecture by John G. Woolley. At our last meeting we voted to try to raise one dollar per member this year for Hadley Home. I am quite anxious to have a State paper but feel that the honor of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana is at stake in the matter of the Organizer debt, and feel that it must be paid. Let's all put a shoulder to the wheel and pay it. We are to have a "curfew" ordinance. The Union asked it of the council last week and they voted for it.

MRS. T. J. CLARK, President.

The Stock-holders of the Organizer Publishing Company are the persons to whom the above appeal should be made.

No W. C. T. U. woman unless she bought and paid for one or more shares of stock, could have had a share in the profits of the Company, had there been any profits, then is it just to ask them to assume its losses?

No W. C. T. U. woman, unless she was a stockholder, had any voice or vote in the business concerns of the Company, as to the election of the board, the salaries, and the like. Is it just to appeal to them now?

Every W. C. T. U. woman who took the "Organizer" paid the price asked for it by the Company, then she treated the Company fairly. It is very essential for the best good of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, that they see the distinction between the State W. C. T. U. and the Organizer Publishing Company. Their relation must be friendly for one is made up of women from the other, but in human affairs do friends, even close friends, pay the debts of their friends, or if they fail to do it is their honor called into question? In my opinion the Stock-holders should without delay cease to call on the Indiana W. C. T. U. for help but take the usual way of settling Stock-company matters. I feel like pleading with them to do this promptly.

MARY E. BALCH.

### SPRING CONVENTIONS.

It is fatal to the growth of the work to fail to hold your Spring Convention. You think you are in a poor condition to work up a convention, and doubt the use of trying to have an Institute. The efforts you make for these meetings will make you very much more alive, and it will be a very poor convention and institute if it does not inspire some one or more to make some effort from that time on to the Fall Convention, and you will have a much better Fall Convention. Doing nothing kills any union or county, I am desirous of making a good record in our State on Spring Institutes and Conventions.

Mrs. M. Gilson, of Decatur, writes, our Union meets every two weeks, and we never forget to pray for our dear leaders. The Union is fighting the unequal battle of trying to prevent the men who are applying for license from getting them.

Miss Maria Brehm said the parlor meeting in this city, at Mrs. Amanda T. Whitsons, was the finest one she ever attended. The ministers in several of the churches where she spoke invited her back again, and also gave her a pressing invitation to remain and assist in revival services.

Hardinsburg Union will hold its sixth gold medal contest this month, and be ready for its Grand gold. They are on the road to win the State prize.

Argos is preparing to remonstrate three or four applications for license.

Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack has been invited to speak in the 1st M. E. church at Marion, date, March 14th; also invited to have a paper to be read before the University extension society of the Presbyterian church, date not settled.

Greensburg white ribboners persuaded their city council at its last meeting to take up their Curfew ordinance, which they had presented more than a month ago. After a bitter fight, and the charge made that the W. C. T. U. were trying to run the town, the vote was taken, and stood 4 for, and 4 against. The Democratic Mayor cast the deciding ballot, and Curfew will ring on their streets after the preliminary advertizing is done. Rejoice with the victors.

Freelandville had a contest, by a class of six boys, ages 15 years to 17. One boy played a march, while the Contestants marched in carrying our Banner

"For God and Home and Native Land." Another boy read the Scripture, a third offered prayer. The audience numbered over three hundred. Mrs. Della Walker in charge, has since taken the class out in country with equal success.

Frankfort Union is making a life membership.

### NOTICE.

Please give this as wide publicity as you can. Every one who has won a medal in Indiana—Demorest, Cooper, or W. C. T. U.—is asked to send a two cent stamp for each medal. It is a plan for the advancement of the work. Send to the State Superintendent and she will tell you in her annual report what she does with her stamps. Address,

MRS. MARY E. BALCH,  
56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### INSTITUTES.

If invited do not decline to assist on the program. May be others are better informed and more accustomed to do such work, but that does not release you from responsibility. Send to our great Publishing House and get the information needed, then by God's help, you will have the courage necessary to perform your duty.

When arranging to attend your Institute carefully gather up all the sarcasm and uncharitableness in your possession and put it away in a dark closet. You will not need it at the Institute.

When the time and place of holding the Institute is decided upon, send notices to all newspapers in the County. Have these notices left standing until two weeks previous to the time of holding Institute when it will be very necessary to have the program published.

If the County Institute is to be held in your town, for the sake of your Union and the good of the cause in your community, have it well advertised. If the member appointed to do the advertising is not prompt, go and do it yourself and then it will be done.

Dear sisters, if we make rules we should, obey them, otherwise we would be considered naughty children. The Message is 35 cents a copy for any less number than 12. Twelve is a club. If you get less than twelve names why not have the Union make it that number and have those papers come to the President for Missionary work in the union, or better still, go to your superintendent of literature whose duty it is to get subscribers for the paper. When you send a less number than the one named for a club it greatly embarrasses your business manager. She feels we should all respect the rule. You could ask to have the club left open until the time of the next issue of the paper, and possibly complete the list.

We talk of open doors, being careful to enter every one, and to knock loudly at closed doors that they may be open to us. Then we talk about sowing by all waters. The summer assemblies are open doors of wonderful opportunity for speaking to many people, and every thing depends on the programme. When we place Mrs. Clara Hoffman, the loved president of Missouri, on the platform before the people, we may feel confident she will honor our cause and the people be fed with the truth. Let those having charge of camp, tent, or grove meetings or summer gatherings of any religious, educational, or reform interests, write the Secretary of Summer Assemblies for the Indiana W. C. T. U. for speakers, contests, and she will furnish dates and terms. Address, Mary E. Balch, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis. We may make dates for Mrs. Hoffman for a limited time. If you put it off you may be too late. We have several of our own State workers who will be available. State your preferences when you are writing.

Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw, one of our associate evangelists spends two weeks in Howard County, beginning March 2nd, from there she goes to Mulberry, Clinton County, for a week. She has been at work in her home county for some time. Any one wishing her services write to State Secretary for dates. Her terms are \$1 per day and expenses. Wabash and North Manchester take Mrs. Cranmer in April.

Marion County takes Mrs. Boole for a week; to begin on March 20th, Neal Dow's birthday, to be observed as a gala day by all temperance people by Miss Willard's request at St. Louis. Unions in Marion county take notice. Unions over the State please celebrate in honor of the grand old man.



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## EXECUTIVE MEETING.

Extracts from the minutes of executive committee meeting held March 16th and 17th, 1896.

The Union whose every member takes THE MESSAGE shall be presented with a copy of the *Union Signal* to be sent to whom-so-ever the Union may designate.

Moved by Mrs. Whitson, that all Unions who will double their membership during the remainder of the year taking the Treasurer's report of last year as a basis may have a speaker free of charge for one lecture. Lecturer to be selected and sent by the central committee.

The plan for life membership as given in THE MESSAGE was endorsed. Moved and carried, that State officers who have salaries and go out for field work or conventions, make charges as other State lecturers, and that such amounts shall be applied on their salaries.

Moved by Mrs. Crist, that we ask ministers to preach gospel patriotic sermons on the 4th of July. Amended, that we bring this to the notice of the ministers through the press. Motion as amended prevailed.

Club rates for the MESSAGE was discussed.

The evidence of the committee was that when a club was started at 25 cents and failed to get the required number, twelve, the Unions should pay the deficit of 10 cents each, or make the number 12 at club rates.

No name or list of names sent to the MESSAGE will be recognized as subscriptions unless accompanied by the cash.

No list of less than twelve names will be considered a club. *Send twelve names.*

By motion of Mrs. Retta Jones all clubs will close when the list of names leave the hands of the local agent.

Invitations were read from South Bend and La Porte for the Annual Convention. South Bend received a majority of the votes of the committee.

Moved by Mrs. Balch that Prof. Crist, of Throntown, be recognized as lecturer for the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Balch read a lengthy communication from Mrs. Sims, Sup't of Work Among Colored People.

On motion, each County President was instructed to carry these recommendations to her local Unions and urge the enforcement of them.

Plans for a "Department Fund" for the Industrial Home and for the Fair Cottage were discussed and endorsed. Plans will appear in the MESSAGE and be sent to local Unions.

Words of love and sympathy were sent our beloved Mrs. Nichols who is at present at Martinsville sanitarium.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK, Rec. Sec'y.

Report of World's delegates and departments as to resignations and those selected to fill vacancies will be given next issue.—Ed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER.

### RECEIPTS.

Dues.		Dues.	
Decatur	\$ 75	Rochester	\$ 2 00
Columbus	1 50	Kewanna	4 00
Azalia	1 00	Oakland City	2 25
Boswell	1 00	Princeton	1 00
Talbot	50	Fairmount	5 00
Oxford	50	Back Creek	1 00
Otterbein	1 50	Deer Creek	1 00
Hartford City	50	South Marion	2 00
Throntown	3 00	Marion	2 00
Zionsville	2 00	Point Isabel	2 00
Flora	50	Herbst	50
Logansport	10 00	Worthington	3 00
Brazel	1 50	Westfield	2 00
Knightstown	1 50	Sheridan	50
Frankfort	2 00	Western Grove	4 00
Mulberry	1 50	Charlottsville	1 00
Jefferson	1 50	Greenfield	50
Rossville	50	Fortville	1 00
Mooreville	1 00	Amo	1 40

Dillsboro	1 50	Plainfield	70
Garrett	2 00	New Castle	3 00
Auburn	1 50	Spiceland	2 00
St. Joe	50	Kennard	2 50
Waterloo	1 00	Knightstown	1 00
Eaton	2 50	Kokomo	2 50
Muncie W. Side	1 00	New London	1 00
Albany	50	Lindley	2 00
Hillsboro	50	Greentown	2 00
Duff	1 50	Huntington	4 00
Ireland	50	Andrews	1 50
Goshen	3 50	Portland	1 00
Elkhart	2 00	Pennville	5 00
Dunkirk	2 00	Paoli	50
Franklin	3 00	Orleans	50
Warsaw	1 50	Valparaiso	3 00
Hammond	3 00	Hebron	1 00
Crown Point	1 50	Mt. Vernon	3 00
Michigan City	2 50	Francesville	6 00
LaPorte	1 50	Manilla	3 00
Westville	1 50	Milroy	1 50
Bedford	4 00	Walnut Ridge	1 50
Anderson Y.	1 50	Morristown	50
Lapel	3 00	Grandview	50
Alexandria	1 50	Rockport	2 00
Elwood	2 50	South Bend Central	8 50
Ind'p's Meridian	6 00	" Colfax Ave.	2 00
" S. East	7 50	La Fayette	5 00
" N. East	1 00	E. La Fayette	2 50
" Tarlton	1 00	LaFayette Central	3 50
Haughville	50	College Corner	1 50
Valley Mills	1 50	Evansville	6 50
West Indianapolis	1 00	" Lamasco	1 50
Irvington	1 50	Dana	2 50
Mapleton	50	Terre Haute W. Side	1 50
Lawrence	4 00	S. Wabash	1 50
Bourbon	3 50	N. Manchester	1 00
Argos	3 00	Newburg	2 50
Plymouth	3 00	Lynnville	1 00
Loogootee	1 50	Richmond	10 50
Amboy	3 50	Economy	1 00
Bloomington	3 50	Fountain City	1 50
Brooklyn	2 50	Boston	50
Goodland	1 50	Centreville	1 00
North Timber	1 50	Bluffton	2 50
Morocco	1 00	Ossian	4 50
Monon	50	Monon	3 00
Cherubusco	3 92	Columbia City	2 50
South Whitley	50		
From former Treasurer			\$ 1 83
From sale of papers			1 00
Collections, Logansport Convention			61 79
Sale of Annual Reports			44 49
Donations for State Paper			20 50
Loan for State Paper			17 50
Advertisements for Annual Reports			29 50
Advertisements for Convention Programs			7 00
Donation for Legislative Work			1 50
Return Check			5 00
Cash returned by Railroad Agent			5 00
L. T. L. dues			2 00

Total Receipts \$486 63

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Dr. Hollingsworth services and expenses State Convention	\$ 9 00
Janitor fee, State Convention	7 00
Telegrams	98
Officer's expenses State Convention	19 45
" " Central Committee	6 25
State Pres'ts expenses National Convention	9 00
" " postage, telegrams, stamps, paper and printing	20 27
Rec. Sec'y postage, blanks, and order book	2 65
Lena M. Beck, postage, telegrams, expressage and ribbon for gavel	13 53
Y Custodian, amount missent	3 00
National Bannerettes	2 00
L. T. L. dues	1 00
Lena M. Beck, Y appropriation for 1894	42 28
Mattie O. Cammack for organization, 1896	23 82
" appropriation for Con. work	10 00
Mary E. Balch, part on salary	75 00
" postage Nov. and Dec.	10 00

Ratti, printing Annual Reports	75 00
Helen M. Barker, National Treasurer	57 70
Printing for State Officers	22 00
" First issue of THE MESSAGE	19 50
Y dues	60
Cash on hand	56 60
Total	\$486 63

If your paper does not reach you by the 10th of the month, kindly notify Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, who will correct the error.

Dear sisters, can you expect to keep up the interest and push the work of the W. C. T. U. successfully if you are not a subscriber to your State paper. Only 25 cents in clubs of 12, THE MESSAGE and *Union Signal* \$1.10. This is an opportunity that should not be missed.

South Whitley has a cerfew law. Union active, and preparing for a contest.

Evansville had a very enthusiastic meeting March 20th, Neal Dow's birthday. Sending the old Hero a telegram of remembrance.

Begin at once, if you have not already done so, to secure new members and if possible double your membership by the close of this quarter. This can be done by each member securing a new one.

Are you sure your unions are not suffering for the want of sympathy and encouragement. Will county officers in every county see that this is not the condition in any of your unions.

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES.

Members of the County Executive of every county are requested to consider that the State Superintendents of Departments are anxious to present the work of their Departments to the County Institutes. This with a few exceptions, they will do for expenses and entertainment. Look over the list of State superintendents as has been published in the MESSAGE and invite one or more of these earnest efficient workers to attend your Institute. I know that many are anxious to serve the cause, have their addresses ready, just waiting for an invitation.

The *Union Signal* contains the news of our own loved National and of the World's Union. Sisters, does that mean much to you? Indeed it does if you have ever been a regular reader of the *Signal*.

THE MESSAGE contains our State news. These two papers for one year will be sent for \$1.10. Send money to our State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis.

Whenever a public meeting is held urge the securing of new members, we need more consecrated Christian women and the efforts and influence of more Christian men. If you have not secured new members, think up a new plan, the fault must be in your plans and not in the people. Everywhere there are those who have interests in this work if they be rightly approached they will unite with us.

## LECTURE BUREAU.

Mrs. Trish is now for a week in Clinton, then goes to Knox for a month.

Mrs. Cammack will spend a week or more in Park, beginning March 29th.

More dates needed for Mrs. Cranmer. Send in your call at once.

If you wish Miss Brehm, of Illinois, who can come May 25th, send in your call at once to the State Secretary, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

Mrs. Boole finishes in our State April 10th; goes to Kentucky for a few days; on her return can give a few more dates to us if desired. She speaks 6 days in the Terre Haute churches.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

DEAR SISTERS:—I have been very much encouraged by receiving names of a number of new county superintendents of my department. There are two points which I would like to call your attention to at once. First; The first week of April is the week of prayer and special work for our Department. Please see your pastors at once and invite them to preach on the subject of Sabbath Desecration on Sunday morning. Have some one give a short, simple talk to the children at Sunday-school on the subject. Arrange for a meeting on Sunday evening with papers and talk on Sunday Traffic, amusements, newspapers, saloons and kindred evils. Have good, stirring temperance music.

Ask your pastor to make the subject the prayer meeting topic for the mid-week prayer service. Distribute all of the literature at one of the Sunday services which you can possibly collect and buy.

Second; We want to do some aggressive work against the Sunday newspaper. Arrange for a public meeting sometime during the year and have the evil the Sunday newspaper presented with the attitude which every Christian and patriot should take concerning it. Invite your speakers long enough before the time so they may be thoroughly posted and alive to the subject. Have good music. Afterward present a pledge something like the following. "I promise not to buy, read, sell, or in any way patronize any Sunday newspaper." Ask men, women and children to sign it. Do not hesitate to present it to ones whom you know patronize it.

I hope every local union in the State will do this much work for the preservation of our Lord's Day.

Keep an accurate account of all work done and then report. I will be glad to answer any questions which you may have to ask on the work.

Yours for service,  
CULLA J. VAYHINGER,  
State Supt.

### MERCY DEPARTMENT.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:—I promised in the last issue of THE MESSAGE to give you some of the addresses where humane literature could be obtained. And first let me emphasize the importance, nay, the absolute necessity of having literature to carry on the work of this department. It is the very best way to educate the public sentiment, and more than that the superintendent herself needs to know the work to be done, and as soon as she begins to read the literature she is bound to know and becomes fired with a desire to help stop the awful tide of cruelty which is sweeping over our land, that is, if she is the right kind of a superintendent. We want superintendents whose hearts are full of God's love. So you must spend some money, the literature is very cheap and by sending to any one of the addresses given below, 25 cents, for a sample package you will receive a generous supply, and then after that can select those you most desire, or are best suited to your needs, as prices are given you. I should like to supply literature but could not do it as cheaply. Get up an Angell Prize Contest and make some money for your work, and at the same time educate public sentiment along humane lines. If any Union would like to have me come and give an address in the interest of the Mercy Department I will do so for expenses and entertainment. These are the addresses, where the very best literature can be obtained: C. A. Hamlin, Syracuse, N. Y. The Humane Education Committee, Room 32, 61

Westminster St., Providence, R. I. (send 10 cents for sample package.)

Mrs. Mary F. Lovell, Bryn Mawr, Penn., Box 163.

Mrs. Fairchild Allen, Aurora, Ill.

Information can be obtained on Angell Prize Contest work of Mrs. Emma Rood Tuttle, Berlin Heights, Ohio, or by writing to me.

Yours for the cause of Mercy,

Mrs. Lou E. Rall,

23 Salamonie Ave., Huntington Ind.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

"Our Common Schools the hope of our country."  
"The children of to day will be the men and women of tomorrow." "Give us the children and we will take the world for Temperance in the next quarter of a century." To this end let us labor. Indiana has gained a long coveted vantage ground. Let it be known from the bell tower of the city schools to the humblest school building on the prairie. To teachers the privilege to pupils the right of Instruction in Scientific Temperance Principles. To County and Local Superintendents, Greeting. We have a systematized plan of work. Send for it that you may be prepared to work to the best advantage.

Our plan in brief: The School Physiology Journal in the hands of every teacher; Wall Rolls for each school-room; Scientific Temperance Literature distribution, visiting school-rooms, teachers meetings and Institutes, cultivating our teachers acquaintance socially. A treasure box in every Union in which to save good Temperance songs, readings and recitations, to be sent each month to some wide awake teacher, we know how gladly they will be received. Let us labor in love, in hope, in prayer.

And may our love be crystallized, our hopes realized, and our prayer answered, for the good of the school children of Indiana.

ADAH W. WHITE, State Supt.,  
Oxford Ind.

### FRANCHISE.

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS:—I send greeting and a prayer after you all. Hoping you are earnestly at work "without haste without rest," persuading the women of your community to want to vote, persuading the men to let you vote, remembering the way to persuade is to educate public sentiment. There are four principal ways to carry your work to success.

First, through the press, use every available opportunity. The press is the "Peoples University," we can reach more people in that way than in any other; at the least expense.

Second, by lectures and public meeting.

Third, by franchise literature.

Fourth, by personal influence. Use each way, to the utmost of your ability. Enlist whenever you can, bright men and women to prepare short, newsy articles for your home papers on different phrases of woman's work. Give them leaflets to prepare from, such as "Twelve reasons why women want to vote," by Alice Stone Blackwell. "Woman in National Reform," T. J. Kennedy. "Should Women Vote," Frances Willard. "Problems of the Twentieth Century," J. W. Bashford D. D. "Womans Suffrage and the W. C. T. U.," I. W. Parks. "A Suffrage Question Box," Henry B. Blackwell. "A Whole Humanity," Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace. "The Coming Brotherhood," Frances E. Willard. "Let Your Women Keep Silence in the Churches," National Leaflet No. 26. These can be obtained at the W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago. Send for sample copies. Keep the franchise work moving.

M. A. TOMPKINS, State Supt.

309 S. Main St. Elkhart, Ind.

### QUESTIONS FOR Y BRANCH.

To be filled out by the Corresponding Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union of — County of — for the year ending September 1st, 1897.

1. Give date of organization.
2. Total number of regular members.
3. Number of honorary members.
4. How often do you hold regular meetings?
5. How and when do you hold business meetings?
6. How many public meetings held? Addressed by what speakers?
7. What entertainments have you given?
8. Have you given study to the Bible? Have you used Bible Readings prepared by the W. T. P. A.?
9. Have you studied Parliamentary Law?
10. Have you distributed literature? How many pages?
11. Have you a library or reading room?
12. What have you done socially?
13. Do you conduct a Loyal Temperance Legion?

14. Have you engaged in Flower Mission work? Did you observe the day? In what way?

15. In what particular way are you working? Did you circulate the cigarette Petition?

16. How many copies of Union Signal taken? How many of the MESSAGE?

17. Do you use the Songs of the Y. W. C. T. U.?

18. Have you done anything in the interest of Scientific Temperance Instruction? Have you formed Anti-Cigarette Leagues? Have you taken any stand against gambling?

19. Have you studied Physical Culture?

20. Have you done temperance work in the Sunday-school?

21. How many Medal Contests have you held?

22. What have you done in the department of Narcotics? Have you given attention to Social Purity?

23. Do you help with State or County Fair?

24. How much money have you sent to the State Treasurer? To the Y room in temperance Hospital? To the Clara Parrish fund? To Hadley Industrial School?

25. Have you paid your apportionment of \$3.00 to the State Y Fund?

26. How much money raised for all purposes?

27. What special work done this year? And result of same?

28. Give names of new officers: President, Cor. Secretary, Treasurer.

Please answer every question. Give items of interest connected with your work on blank page. Remember Miss Lola Carver of Irvington, is our State Custodian to whom you send the \$3.00 assessment as soon as possible. Sign full name and address and return the blank not later than September 9th 1897 to,

CLARA M. SEARS, State Sec'y,  
106 W. 14th St., Anderson Ind.

### GREENSBURG W. C. T. U.

WHEREAS, Death has visited the homes of two of our members, within the past few days, and left them in sorrow and heartaches, therefore be it,

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Kate Owens, our Union has lost a most worthy and consecrated member, the husband and only son, an affectionate and most devoted mother; and by the death of George Rowe, a respected son-in-law to sister Nancy Bell and family. To the wife and little daughter, a loving and anxious father, and a good and useful citizen in the community. We as members of the W. C. T. U. will ever cherish their memory in grateful recollection, and tender to all the bereaved ones our warmest sympathy in their affliction and bereavement. May our heavenly Father give them his comforting Spirit.

MRS. ELLA M. STOUT,  
Cor. Sec'y.

### WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

DEAR SISTERS:—To you I must look for the advancement of our cause among colored people throughout the State. I cannot go to you; even if I could, you, yourselves, can accomplish more by wise plans and consecrated efforts suited to your own localities than could I. Great results are to be had for the asking. Our colored sisters tell us of the snares, laid by the saloon, for the feet of their loved ones and ask to become co-laborers with us in securing its overthrow. What would it mean to you and me to know that there was no longer a white ribbon army for us? No more precious friendships such as come to us in this work? Shall we invite them to join us? "Freely ye have received, freely give." The Lord gave victory to our forces, in the late war, after the colored men were mustered into our ranks. Who knows but that He is waiting to honor Indiana W. C. T. U. after she has set herself, with a will, to muster into her ranks the colored women of our State who shall go out to battle with us "for God, and Home and Native Land." We need them. The politicians count largely upon the colored vote in elections. Let us see to it that the interests of the home count for more than the interests of the saloon.

There is not a union but can do something; the work will conflict with no other in which you are engaged. If you have but one colored family in your community, you may begin. Notice what our annual leaflet, which sets forth our principles and plans, says of the department of work among colored people: "This department is for the pursuance among colored people of all branches of work enumerated." Since all branches of work are to be pursued among colored people, then include them in your plans for pushing your different departments. Never allow an opportunity to pass without inviting them to hear your public speakers; give them



literature, hold mothers' meetings, get them to sign the pledge; where there are colored churches and Sunday-schools, get permission to hold temperance meetings with them, asking pastors and Sunday-school officers to co-operate; organize L. T. L's for them, or invite them to those you already have. Teach boys and girls recitations to speak in your own or other meetings, where a whole contest class could not recite; "do everything," especially form contests classes. We are forming them here in Indianapolis and we can have contestants to keep us busy for a year. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest" for laborers in our field and yours, and pray believing. Hold contests in colored churches, giving the church in which the contest is held half of the net proceeds, keeping the other half exclusively for your work among colored people. As fast as classes contest, report them; then very soon you can put holders of silver medals into classes to contest for gold medals, then for grand gold, and then, of course, for diamond medals. With the fund secured by the above plan, it is possible to have Mrs. Lucy Thurman, our national superintendent of work among colored people, who so ably represents her race in her department, come to our State, and from collections at her meetings, etc., for we must not allow our treasuries to become empty, we can procure L. T. L. supplies and L. T. L. teachers.

Should you not enjoy having a regiment of colored boys and girls come marching into a State or county convention, carrying their banner with its motto, "Tremble King Alcohol, we shall grow up," having in their heads and hearts the grand lessons of their L. T. L. manuels, feeling that they will, indeed, some day help to drive King Alcohol from our land. In our last National Minutes you will find numerous references to Mrs. Thurman's work; see Miss Willard's address and Mrs. Stevenson's report, as well as Mrs. Thurman's report. Show these and other literature, especially our State and National papers and annual leaflets to leading colored people, telling them our plans and hopes for work among them, asking their co-operation to make it a success.

Will not this develop colored women who will make staunch white ribboners? How many of them shall we have added to our numbers next fall when the year closes? Just the number we work for—ten, a hundred, or five hundred, or more. Let us work and pray, and expect such results as He can give, who has said, "Hitherto ye have asked nothing in my name; ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be full"; "Bring ye all the ties into the storehouse and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room to receive it." With this appeal, which I feel barely touches upon the needs and possibilities of the work, I pray that God may plainly show you the way, give you wisdom and strength to walk in it, and grant you great reward in so doing.

MARY E. SIMS, State Sup't.

34th and Central Ave., Indianapolis Ind.

#### MOTHER'S MEETINGS.

To all who are interested in holding Mother's meetings, I want to give a little more explicit direction, as to the literature used for such meetings, for the following topics send to the State Superintendent, "The Mother as a reflector, Confidential relations; What to tell our children about life; Early religious training of children; The influence on children when they know they are the special subject of prayer; Foundation of character building; Obedience; The rights of a child; Best method of securing reverence."

The price of these books, including one years subscription to the New Crusade will be one dollar. These books cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. No mother can afford to be without them. Price of New Crusade per year 35 cents. The other literature can be obtained by sending to W. T. P. A. Temple, Chicago. For a bound package of leaflets on mother's meetings, price 8 cents, and especially for home leaflets, bound, package 20 cents.

Yours for Mother's meetings,

MARTHA L. GIPE,

496 Broadway.

#### L. T. L. STATE CONVENTION.

Please remember that the L. T. L. State Convention will be in July, and try hard to have your classes ready to graduate by that time. Those who are able to attend, will receive their diplomas there; those not able, will have their names read and their diploma sent to them.

Local leaders, conduct the examinations. Send to me for questions, 10 cents a set. The date and place

of holding convention will be given next month. For any information concerning L. T. L. work, send to me. For literature or supplies send to the W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago.

As the time is approaching and will soon be here, when we will be called into our third annual meeting, our treasurer has sent out a call for dues. Please respond promptly that she may not be hindered in her work. Make arrangements to be present at the convention. There will be important matters to be settled by you. Be ready with our rallying cry, and let us make Indiana feel that she has an organization of which she may be proud.

A. R. GORDON, State Sec'y.

#### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



MRS. FRANCES A. POTTER, President,  
444 N. East St., Indianapolis.

MRS. PHEBE R. CURRER, Secretary,  
200 College Ave., Indianapolis.

MRS. ELLA B. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Greensburg.

MISS MARY HADLEY, Lecturer,  
Bloomington, Parke County.

#### NOTHING IMPOSSIBLE FOR INDIANA EITHER.

Those who had the pleasure of attending the National W. C. T. U. Convention at St. Louis last fall will never forget the wave of enthusiasm that passed over that vast audience, when the inspiring motto, "Nothing impossible for St. Louis" was drawn from its hiding place and stretched entirely across that immense platform.

If I did not believe that Indiana has as loyal, true-hearted and enthusiastic women as St. Louis I would not send out this article to you.

In 1892, the present W. C. T. U. cottage was built on the new State Fair Grounds. Ten dollar notes were issued at that time for the payment of the same. These notes were taken by our own W. C. T. U. women, many of which have already been paid by receipts from Fair Cottage during the Fairs. Others remain unpaid and are long past due. These dear sisters have waited long and patiently and are now urging that these pledges be met at once.

This is not impossible for Indiana. I believe it can be a very pleasant affair by each county preparing and sending to the State Fair in October, a Temperance Autograph quilt, for an exhibit in a W. C. T. U. Booth in the Woman's Building. For this, secure as many names as possible for each block, charging ten cents a name. Embroider the names upon red or blue calico or upon white muslin. Go to your business men, ask them to take an entire block, placing upon it a pretty design representing the business engaged in, securing from them the entire price of the block. If one man does not take an entire block, give it to two or three.

Each Union in the county might be responsible for one or more blocks in the quilt; one or more of which may be representative blocks, containing the name of the Union and names of all its members.

Let each block represent one dollar or more. The quilts to be exhibited in the Woman's Building and be subject to the premiums awarded by the State Fair Board for the handsomest quilt.

Aside from the premiums which may be awarded by the State Fair Board, a premium of five dollars in gold will be given to the county sending in the most money. To the county sending in the second largest amount, two dollars and a half in gold, and for the third largest amount, one dollar in gold.

Let every Union go to work with great enthusiasm and make the hearts of our patient sisters, who loaned this money, glad, by paying off all the Fair Cottage notes. It need not be a burden to any one but a profit and a pleasure. Get your quilts ready and let us make the W. C. T. U. booth the most attractive one in the Woman's Building.

There was great rejoicing at our last State Convention when our State Treasurer stated that the debt aside from the affiliated interests was entirely paid off. Let us go to our next State convention

with hearts filled with praise that this is also a thing of the past. With this debt wiped out, and with the financial ability of our efficient State Fair Sup't, Mrs. Ada N. Leck, we hope not only to be able to distribute many more thousand pages of literature through the Booth and Fair Cottage, but to add to the funds of the State Treasury, we can do it. For nothing is impossible for Indiana.

Watch the MESSAGE for further notice concerning State Fair work.

Yours in loving service,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

#### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

##### RECEIPTS FOR JANUARY, 1897.

Boswell W. C. T. U., Anna Eberly	\$ 5 25
Sale of beef at farm	25 00
Hoagland W. C. T. U., per Mrs. Curryer	1 70
Shoals W. C. T. U., Lavina Morley	2 25
Brooklyn W. C. T. U., Sarah Monicle	5 00
Mrs. H. S. Rockwood Century pledge	1 00
M. E. Briggs Century pledge	1 00
J. H. Barnes Century pledge	1 00
Mrs. R. L. Higgenbotham Century pledge	1 00
Edna Tinsley Century pledge	1 00
Isaac Farneman Century pledge	1 00
Mrs. Batman Century pledge	1 00

\$46 20

##### RECEIPTS FOR FEBRUARY.

Spiceland W. C. T. U.,	\$ 3 15
Terre Haute W. C. T. U.,	3 30
Fairmount W. C. T. U.,	5 00
Talbot W. C. T. U.,	5 82
Deer Creek W. C. T. U.,	10 00
Loogootee W. C. T. U.,	9 52
Laura M. Thomson	1 00
Anna Crawford	2 83
Carrie Vandament, Collection	11 70
Jane T. Doan Century pledge	2 00

\$54 32

##### RECEIPTS FOR MARCH.

Spiceland, sale of cook books	\$ 1 00
Terre Haute, Anna Palmateer	8 40
Catherine M. Robbins, Plainfield	50 00
Kendalville, J. A. Cushing	4 00
Sale of clover seed on farm	36 37
Mr. and Mrs. Virden, Gaurnsey	2 00
Otterbein W. C. T. U., Eliza Baker	1 35
Hartford City W. C. T. U., S. J. Knight	5 00
Hillsboro W. C. T. U. Grace Glezen	4 95
Brazil W. C. T. U. Mrs. W. O. Hamilton	20 00
Harriet F. Steckel, on memorial	50 00
Margery Retherford, Century pledge	1 00
Orren Eikenberry Century pledge	1 00
Mattie Mitchell Century pledge	2 00
Wm. N. Cox Century pledge	1 00
Susie Hixon Century pledge	1 00
James Spray Century pledge	1 00
Belle Bonta Century pledge	1 00
H. A. Smock Century pledge	1 00
Emily J. Nutter Century pledge	1 00
Lottie Nutter Century pledge	2 00
Flora Reeves Century pledge	1 00

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ELLA B. WRIGHT, Pres.

We will publish receipts for Hadley School in the MESSAGE so the friends may see how we are progressing.

We are thankful for the practical interest that is manifesting itself in the Hadley Industrial School. Soon we hope to see the weight that has embarrassed the work lifted by the persistent efforts of its friends.

We are in receipt of a letter from Royal Centre, telling that the harness is shipped for the School. We do appreciate the friends who have so kindly interested themselves in the matter, and especially the maker, who has done such excellent work. We trust the light wagon will soon follow.

#### BEDFORD.

DEAR SISTER:—The semi-annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. of Lawrence Co., was held at Mitchell, March 2nd. In the morning, the reports of the officers were read, after which we had words of encouragement from those present. In the afternoon a paper entitled "Elevation of Woman," was read by Miss Emma Brighans. The subject was discussed by those present. We had several excellent talks. In the evening the exercises consisted of recitations, talks, papers and a short address by Mrs. Gilbert. All went home feeling that the Convention had been a success.

Yours in the work,  
EMMA BRIGHANS.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### A STIRRING CAMPAIGN.

The State Officers ask the Local Union Officers to join them in a Medal Campaign for the benefit of our Industrial School. Martinsville held a contest and made \$22 for the Armenians. We have over four hundred Unions and every one of these Unions could hold a contest if they would.

The State will give to any county having five or a less number of Unions, whose every Union holds a contest, a week's work by one of our organizers, Miss Libbie Taber or Mrs. Allie Anderson. To any county with ten to five Unions, whose every Union holds a contest, a lecture by Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack. To the county having over ten Unions sending in the largest amount of net proceeds, an address by one of our National Officers.

Every local Union sending in \$10 or over net proceeds, can have an address by one of the State officers.

Pledge-signing is to be one of the particular features of this campaign. Every local Union reporting 50 signatures or over at their contest, can have one day's service by one of our evangelists.

Local Unions who will join in the stirring campaign should send in their name to our State Corresponding Secretary by May 1st, and the reports of these contests must all be in by June 30.

We will use the W. C. T. U. system and rules and only silver medals. They may be oratorical, suffrage, narcotic, L. T. L., matron or silver gray.

We will use the W. C. T. U., Demorest and Cooper books that we may have variety and as good as there is.

Pledge cards 15 cents a hundred.

Posters to advertize the contests at the rate of 50 cents a hundred.

Order these with the medals and the books of Mary E. Balch, the Sup't of Medal Department, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis. Send money with your orders. Net proceeds of contests to be sent to our State Treasurer, Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.

READ CAREFULLY. ACT PROMPTLY.

Entering date, May 1st; make a note of it. Close of Campaign, June 30th; make a second note. Two months for a local Union to hold a Contest and report it, with such grand incentives before them. No Union can afford to say no, I will not have a part in the campaign.

N. B.—Organizations or individuals not connected with the W. C. T. U., interested in this Institution for our girls may join in the campaign on the same terms.

### A DEPARTMENT FUND.

Indiana has thirty departments not including organization.

Very few Unions can work half of them, and yet every department should have the support of our workers, and the general public be made acquainted with their beneficent qualities. Local and State workers complain of being hindered by the need of money. We offer the following plan as being capable of setting the machinery in full motion.

Each local Union after appointing her superintendents, shall take the remaining departments of the State and organize them into four groups, one for each quarter in the year, and shall as the time comes round hold a public meeting for these departments, first group in first quarter, second group in second quarter, etc. The Union shall prepare a program, advertize, and take as much care as if they were preparing for a county convention, naming members of the Union to prepare and read papers of not over ten minutes length for each department in the group. These papers or short addresses on the same subject, with song service, our usual Bible readings and recitations on the teachings of these departments under consideration, will make a program of credit. *Take a collection.* Divide the money you receive in the collection, sending one fourth to the local treasurer, one fourth to the county treasurer and two fourths to the State treasurer. These several amounts will constitute a fund for the superintendent of local, county and State. Four hundred Unions holding these quarterly department meetings would aggregate sixteen hundred meetings in a year. If the collections averaged 40 cents each, the above division of the money would give the State Departments \$320. It will be in our treasury at the time of our annual meeting when superintendents are appointed and appropriations are made. Then these women entrusted with so large responsibility may go

forth comparatively furnished with means; and we can in reason look for greatly increased results as compared with the past.

Dear sisters, this plan is rich in actual work accomplished, if carried out. Every Union having performed its just share of the work; and the gospel preached to many thousand needy people. The papers written by our Unions will have developed mental and spiritual growth, and added many new thoughts, which things make our organization more mighty in its grapple with Satan and legalized sin.

No plan however will work itself. Let us have united, unanimous and unanimity of action.

### RECORD BOOKS AND REPORT BLANKS.

The National Union will not undertake the uniform blanks at present and we will provide our own. I sent out with our quarterly blanks a message to the secretaries about record books for the county and local Unions. We are out of the old ones and must have a new supply. We have no money. If enough Unions and counties will order we can get them printed, county books 50 cents, local 30 cents. Send order and money inside of 20 days after receiving the book. If you prefer you can send money with order, only you will have to wait until the books are ready, and if all would order at once the work could be done in a very little time, and when it is finished, large or small blanks and record books will harmonize. *This is very important.*

MARY E. BALCH.

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

The plan as published in THE MESSAGE was unanimously adopted. Every county president has been invited to assist in making one life membership for a dearly loved sister. Have you responded yes, by sending the small sum of 30 cents, if not will you send at once? Every secretary, local and county has an opportunity to give a dime and make another life membership. The names of these life members will be given later. The \$50.00 is needed so badly in the work of organization. Dear sisters, do not wait to do these little things but send the small amounts now.

### OUR STIRRING CAMPAIGN

Meets with hearty response. Many Unions are already at work. Greensburg, Martinsville, Central Union, Indianapolis and others. Who will come in first with its report of finished work.

### A BEAUTIFUL GIFT TO THE SECOND BEST.

Who ever stops to give a thought to the Second best in a Silver or Gold contest? And yet the difference in the real merit of the work performed by the medal winner and the one who receives the next highest award is so trifling as to be scarcely appreciable. For the encouragement of this one, to whom the contest prize is so near and yet so far, we are pleased to announce that a gentleman from Chicago, who is a lover of the young, and has been a lifelong temperance worker, has arranged with the publishers of the American Home magazine to present one year's subscription to each person taking part in any W. C. T. U. contest who wins second place. This gift represents thousands of dollars and the thanks of all lovers of the young are due to the giver whose name we are not allowed to publish.

To COMMITTEES: At the close of each contest kindly make out and present to the person entitled to the same, the following certificate and see that the same is properly forwarded.

Publishers AMERICAN HOME MAGAZINE, 388 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

Gentlemen:—This is to certify that M..... age..... years, received the second highest award to the..... medal contest, held at..... on the..... of..... 189., under the auspices of the..... Union of the W. C. T. U. and is entitled to the "American Home Magazine" premium.

Please send same for one year to.....

P. O..... No. and Street.....

Countersigned by..... State.....

..... Contest Committee..... Judges.

Praise the Lord for this new friend. With each medal we will send out one of these slips, and from this on, each W. C. T. U. contest will have a second prize to offer. Take notice, this offer is made to the W. C. T. U. only; and when a W. C. T. U. medal is awarded will be given.

### ON TO WINONA!—FORWARD MARCH.

Through the courtesy of the Winona Assembly and Summer School Association, the White Ribbon Army of Indiana has been granted a day during the meeting of the Winona Assembly of '97. Winona Park is on the shore of Eagle Lake, two miles from the city of Warsaw, and was a most charming summer resort—equipped with fine hotel, auditorium, cottages, tents, boats, etc, even before it fell into Presbyterian hands; and now that the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church is to be entertained there in May, many superb improvements are being made. With the auditorium splendidly remodeled and refitted, the woman's building completed, new walks, and piers, cottages and committee rooms added, Winona will be not less delightful for a summer outing than is Chautauqua, N. Y.

During the two months of the Winona Assembly and Summer school—July and August—a reduction on all railroads of one fare for the round trip, brings this delightful summer outing within the means of all. July 20th has been selected for the W. C. T. U. day. All unions are hereby urged to send as large delegations as possible on that day. A rich and varied program is being prepared. A circular letter containing fuller particulars will be sent out soon. Look out for it, White Ribbon sisters! But, in the meantime, be getting ready to take up the line of march to Winona, at the blowing of our bugle July 20th, '97.

MARY A. LEAVITT.

Sup't of W. C. T. U. work of Winona Assembly, Vernon, Ind.

Mrs. Ethel Blair has another new Union in her city, South Bend, which is the third link in the chain. Her efforts are now concentrated on Mishawaka.

Miss Eliza Baker was the first county president to report for mid-year program.

Hardinsburg Union has a record for good works, that is very encouraging to the one that hears the excuses of all for not doing this or that. They have made and donated one hundred dollars towards the new church. They always had the free use of the old one and will have the use of the new one. This money was largely made by the Medal work. They have held three or four contests for gold medal. They have a Silver gray class, also a class of boys, and a contest for gold medal in preparation. They send the *Union Signal* to their minister; the Union takes a copy and the President takes a third. Every copy is preserved and distributed at the contests. They are always one of the first to fall in with proposed plans and do their part. Hardinsburg is a small village with only the one church.

North Judson take two copies of the MESSAGE for each member. Mrs. Cranmer speaks for them April 6th. The president, Mrs. J. T. Noland, visited Star City Union, I feel sure more visiting like that would be helpful.

Shelbyville is arranging a parlor meeting and members bring their dues to the regular meetings and lighten the labors of their treasurer.

Mrs. Johnson, of Bloomington, writes: "It is our pleasure to hear cerfew ring every night."

Brazil is planning a sufferage contest and an April social for Hadley School.

Decatur defeated three applications for license. I presume the W. C. T. U. is something to be considered by the rum fraternity in that town.

Montgomery Union at its last meeting received two regular and three honorary members. Will hold county convention in May, expect Miss Reed with them.

Monon observed Mother's Day in February, in the home of their president, Mrs. Marion; an excellent program was carried out, lunch served and two members secured, and dues paid.

March, a well planned sufferage meeting brought a new member; it was the birthday of the county treasurer; six new members in the last six months.

Neal Dow came in for his share of this Unions effort in the shape of a public meeting on Tuesday the 23rd. They have a contest planned for April 9th.

Order copies of the Cigarette Law of Mrs. Fannie Calkins, Portland, Ind., at 10 cents a hundred.

We have tried to put in the articles as they come, taking into consideration the point of importance as to time. Several were unavoidably left over.—Ep.



# THE MESSAGE.

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

The reports from the County Institutes this spring are most encouraging. Many new members have been secured and the local unions seem to have renewed enthusiasm and interest.

The membership seems to feel its need of information. This is very hopeful. Many subscriptions for the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE* have been secured. Unions are appointing agents for our great Woman's Temperance Publication Association. When these agents become fully informed in regard to their duty and to the needs of the membership, each agent will send in a club for the *Union Signal* and *THE MESSAGE*; will also urge every member to buy ten cents worth of leaflets on various subjects for their own reading. When every Union has an active efficient W. T. P. A. agent our membership will become more generally informed and our State will take rapid strides forward, hastening the day when we will have constitutional Prohibition in Indiana.

Let no union be contented until it has an L. T. L. in prosperous condition. Some one may think this is asking too much, it is so hard to secure a leader, teachers, etc. I am grieved because such is the case. I know from experience just what work is necessary, for as a leader of an L. T. L. of a membership of 115 as bright boys and girls as any leader ever loved, I could not depend upon the women of the union for teachers. I secured a young consecrated Christian girl for organist, three others for teachers. With these helpers our Legion was divided into classes. We began by planning for an entertainment. Every six or eight weeks during the warm weather we gave an entertainment, less frequently in cold weather. By this means made money for supplies, etc. For these entertainments we used recitations, lessons, songs, etc., that had been used in the regular weekly meetings. This could be done with little labor. Children's work in public is always appreciated.

No mother who loves her children can afford to shirk this important work. Maybe the housework and the children do need attention. Less house-keeping and more children training is the need of the hour. Take the children even the baby to the Legion, (mine used to go in the little carriage and be entertained by looking and listening.) Mothers, take up this work, win the hearts of the boys and girls, teach them scientific facts from the ably edited Teachers L. T. L. Manuals, teach them Anna Gordon's marching songs and put the *Young Crusader* into their hands. In this way your own children will receive the instruction and you will teach the children of your community to love the right and to hate the wrong, thereby making it easier for your own to do right. If considered only from a selfish point of view you can not longer afford to shrink from the work. Most of our L. T. L. Leaders are not mothers. These women are doing much for the communities by helping to train the children right and to purify the atmosphere for the children. Such noble self sacrificing efforts should be appreciated. The mothers must lend a hand and help.

Where there is no Legion let every member who is convinced of the need of such work, so express herself at the next meeting of her union. If she will assist, say so. If no one is found who will immediately take the leadership, let some mother offer to do the work for the present. The L. T. L. manuals are very plain and comprehensive. The marching songs are good. If no more is done than to teach the children to sing temperance songs and to hate alcohol and tobacco, the work will not have been in vain. Organize and conduct an L. T. L. to the best of your ability in God's name and the work will be a success.

The Annual Leaflet contains our declaration of principles, catechism on what is the W. C. T. U., the object and aim of each of the departments. It explains our work in an able manner, it is just what every member should have for reference. Price 50 cents per hundred. Send an order for your union immediately to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, The Temple,

Cor. LaSalle and Monroe Sts., Chicago, Ill. If your union delays sending you enclose postage for some copies for yourself

Hold union meetings in the homes of the members if you are not satisfied with the attendance. Every member entertaining the union should be firm in requiring the President to have a well planned program for the meeting. Being assured of a good program she will enthusiastically invite her neighbors to come in. A good President will always have a carefully prepared program, begin on time and close on time.

Will the County Presidents please send me the names and addresses of the Local Presidents of their counties. I desire to communicate with them.

Yours for consecrated efforts,  
L. F. McWHIRTER.

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MARCH.

RECEIPTS.	
DUES	DUES
Coloma.....\$ 1 00	Michigan City.....\$ 2 50
Sugar Branch.... 1 50	La Porte..... 2 50
La Otta ..... 1 00	Loogootee..... 2 00
Wawaka ..... 2 50	Evansville ..... 3 50
Kendallville ..... 4 00	Lamasco ..... 1 50
Ligonier ..... 2 75	Alice Palmer..... 2 80
Rochester ..... 50	Bedford ..... 2 50
Winchester..... 2 00	Mitchell ..... 5 50
Amboy ..... 1 50	Plymouth..... 2 50
Greensburg..... 6 50	Bourbon..... 2 75
Bloomington..... 1 00	Argos..... 1 50
Decatur ..... 1 25	Brownsville ..... 50
Crown Point..... 1 00	Liberty..... 1 50
Hammond ..... 50	Red Key..... 3 00
Mooreville ..... 2 00	Dunkirk..... 2 00
Frankfort..... 9 75	Worthington ..... 1 00
Mulberry ..... 2 00	Garrett ..... 1 00
Sedalia ..... 2 50	Waterloo ..... 1 20
Otterbein..... 50	Auburn ..... 5 00
Boswell..... 1 50	St. Joe ..... 1 00
Muncie ..... 1 50	Upland ..... 1 00
Eaton ..... 1 00	Fairmount..... 6 00
Albany..... 2 00	Back Creek ..... 1 00
Goshen ..... 4 50	Jonesboro ..... 1 50
Elkhart ..... 3 00	Deer Creek..... 5 50
Napanees ..... 2 50	South Marion ..... 1 00
Rochester ..... 50	Pt. Isabel..... 1 00
Franklin ..... 2 00	Marion ..... 2 50
Bluffton ..... 2 00	Martinsville ..... 3 50
Ossian ..... 2 50	Martinsville Y..... 1 50
Ponetta ..... 1 50	Brooklyn ..... 2 50
Indianapolis Y... 1 00	Mooreville..... 5 00
Center ..... 50	Morgantown..... 1 00
Highland Place.. 2 00	Angola ..... 6 00
Brideport ..... 3 50	Freemont ..... 7 00
Valley Mills..... 2 00	Pleasant Lake..... 2 00
Irvington..... 50	Lyons ..... 2 00
Mapleton ..... 6 50	Churubusco ..... 2 50
South Whitley... 1 00	Broad Ripple..... 1 50
Francesville ..... 1 50	West Indianapolis. 2 50
Mt. Vernon ..... 1 50	La Fayette ..... 7 20
Cynthiana ..... 1 00	La Fayette Central 4 00
Shelbyville..... 5 50	Union City..... 1 50
Huntington..... 2 00	College Corner..... 2 50
Thorntown ..... 4 00	Valparaiso ..... 3 50
Lapel ..... 1 00	Hebron ..... 4 13
Anderson Y..... 1 50	Carthage ..... 1 50
Anderson ..... 4 00	Manilla ..... 1 50
Alexandria ..... 4 50	Kokomo ..... 4 00
Elwood ..... 1 50	New London..... 2 50
East Logansport. 3 50	Phlox..... 4 50
West Logansport 6 00	Hoagland..... 1 00
Royal Center.... 50	Bloomington ..... 4 25
South Bend Cen. 11 00	Harrodsburg..... 1 00
" " Colfax. 3 00	Wabash..... 1 00
" " Park.. 1 00	South Wabash.... 1 00
Vincennes ..... 6 00	North Manchester. 3 50
" Y ..... 8 00	Mary F. Thomas... 3 50
Freelandville... 1 00	Richmond ..... 1 50
Edwardsport .... 2 00	Centerville..... 50
Ind'pls Meridian. 15 00	Economy ..... 50

" N. East. 1 00	Boston ..... 1 50
" Tarlton. 1 50	Western Grove .... 3 00
" Central. 5 50	Greenfield..... 50
" S. East.. 2 00	Fortville ..... 1 00
Westfield ..... 3 00	West Grove..... 1 50
Hartford City... 2 50	Burkett..... 3 50
Jeffersonville.... 7 50	North Judson..... 1 40
Spiceland..... 2 50	New Castle ..... 2 00
Greensboro ..... 8 00	Burnettsville ..... 2 00
Monon..... 3 00	Wolcott..... 50
West Lebanon... 1 50	Hope ..... 1 00
Azalia..... 1 00	Brazil ..... 8 50
Charleston..... 2 50	Bennington ..... 1 50
Monticello..... 1 00	Crawfordsville.... 2 50
Coatsville..... 1 00	Plainfield..... 30
Lindley ..... 50	
Balance from last quarter.....	56 60
Legislative work.....	24 50
Sale of Annual Reports.....	30 63
For Organization.....	4 50
"Message" and "Signals".....	352 10
Collections .....	8 52

Total Receipts.....\$880 62

DISBURSEMENTS.	
National Dues.....	80 80
State Superintendents .....	55 50
Balance printing Annual Reports .....	185 40
Cor. Secretary.....	75 00
" " postage .....	20 00
" " executive meeting.....	1 50
Rec. Sec. balance appropriation for Conven- tion work and editing Annual Reports...	55 00
Rec. Sec'y postage and blank books.....	8 88
" " organization .....	24 06
Ella A. Boole, N. lecturer for lecture at Greens- burg.....	10 00
Allie Anderson, organization .....	20 00
Libbie Tabor.....	5 00
Printing blanks and circular letter .....	9 00
Harriett M. Ault, appropriation for Purity Department .....	2 50
Removal President's desk.....	1 00
Legislative work .....	13 30
Officers Stationary .....	31 76
"Message" Expenses .....	78 12
C. T. Grow "Signals".....	90 30
Postage on distribution of "Signals" .....	9 68
Orpha Christ expenses to Central Committee	2 35
Mary Hadley " " " " " "	75
" " postage to January.....	2 84
Clara Seers 50 per cent of Y dues.....	5 40
" " one-half of Y appropriation.....	7 50
Amanda R. Gordon, one-half of L. T. L. ap- propriation .....	7 50
Balance, cash on hand.....	77 49

Total.....\$880 63

AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

## TREASURER'S NOTES.

Is it necessary for any one but the President to take the State paper? Certainly. Every member of the Union should take it and thus receive the instruction from officers and superintendents that will enable them to push the work for which the organization was affected.

Take the paper and revive the work in your Union.

Some Unions may say, we do not understand the work, would be glad to work if we understood how.

Take your State and National papers, read and act upon the suggestions offered and you will soon be sending notices to your State paper, telling what wonderful things your Union has accomplished. Neighbors will begin to tell what great things have been done by the W. C. T. U. They will also tell you that had they understood the work they would have become members long ago.

Will Unions whose every member takes the *MESSAGE* please report the same to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, giving the full name and address of the lady to whom you desire to have the "Signal" sent.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

Friends and Loyal Temperance Legioners, read the following carefully.

Each member in a class wishing to graduate must have signed the pledge, and be twelve years old, and pass a satisfactory examination on the first, second third and fourth numbers of Volume I in the L. T. L. Manuals: A list of questions for examination is obtained by writing to the secretary and enclosing 10 cents. The local leader conducts the examination. I wish that each local Legion having a class to graduate would notify me at once, giving the number in the class, that I may arrange with them for State Convention which meets in July. All graduates must be ready by that time. Satisfactory examination means 75 per cent of each list of questions answered correctly. God bless the young people.

AMANDA R. GORDON,  
State Secretary.

The third annual meeting of the L. T. L. will be held at Marion, July 8th and 9th. There will be a large class of graduates this year, and those who can not attend will, if reported to me, have their names read and diplomas sent to them, but we hope all may be able to attend. If the local Unions would wake up and see that this is their opportunity for good and for the future prohibition of the liquor traffic, the L. T. L. work would assume magnificent proportions as it should. All local leaders and graduates are delegates to this convention and should make an effort to attend.

A. R. GORDON,  
Sec'y.

## POLICE AND JAIL MATRONS.

Where ever women or children are held under detention by the authorities or in transfer to or from any place of detention there should be a motherly matron in charge to look after their welfare. There is a Permissane Law in the State of Indiana making it possible to appoint matrons in cities of ten thousand inhabitants and over.

1. Name of county.
2. Name of county or local superintendent.
3. How many women or children come under the care of the authorities? Examine the records.
4. Have you a matron appointed in your jail or station house?
5. How many jails or station houses in your city or county?
6. Number of services held in jails and station houses.

Dear sisters push this department and report to me.

ANNIE BUCHANAN,  
Police Matron and State Sup't.

Indianapolis.

## MERCY DEPARTMENT.

DEAR SISTERS:—Now is the time when county conventions and normal institutes are in order and the work of the different departments will be discussed and some will be taken up. Will you not read the following and then endeavor to have a County Sup't appointed in your county, sending her name and address to me? In His name,

LOU E. RALL,  
23 Salamonie Ave., Huntington, Ind.

WHY A DEPARTMENT OF MERCY SHOULD BE FORMED  
IN EACH STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL UNION.

Because the use of strong drink develops brutali-

ty and cruelty, the systematic teaching of kindness bears a relation to both the preventive and reformatory work of the W. C. T. U.

Because the organization of Bands of Mercy could be carried to a much greater extent if there were in each union a woman who would make it her particular business to secure their formation through the several kinds of educational work.

Because, though humanity is growing better, its real and permanent elevation will be in the ratio of the recognition of the right of the weak.

Because we need a Christianity broadened to the full intent of its Founder. One not restricted to a mere contemplation of God's mercy to us; but inculcating our obligation to show the fullest mercy to all His creatures.

Because the development of the ideals of justice and humanity is essential to the highest character, and a child taught through the Band of Mercy to be unselfish, and to be considerate of the rights and welfare of every living creature, will be better in all the relations of life. A child so taught, will not, when he grows up, be so likely to degrade himself by the use of strong drink, or help to injure others by selling it.

"White light includes all the prismatic colors; so the white ribbon stands for all phases of reform."

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

## NARCOTICS.

But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God; yea, let them exceedingly rejoice. Psalm LXVIII, 3.

We now have the strongest law against cigarettes which could be enforced in our State. Many of you, dear sisters, have worked hard for this law, but your work would have been of no avail if our State President had not incessantly watched our bill. We owe this law to her. For weeks she gave all of her time to it. The tobacco trust had their agents at work and spared neither time nor money in their efforts to defeat us. Even after the victory was won they would have snatched it from us had it not been for the tireless vigilance of Mrs. McWhirter. (See Indianapolis Sentinel of March 8th.) But when God is for us, it is more than all that may be against us. Mrs. McWhirter "hath done what she could" and victory is ours. May God bless her and hers!

Now we expect to have the law printed and hope that every local union in the State will order several hundred leaflet copies and distribute them at all public meetings; also please organize to enforce the law.

I am glad to tell you that Mrs. Cammack is ready to organize Anti-Tobacco Leagues in the schools. Wherever she is called to lecture please arrange for her to do this work too.

## CONSTITUTION.

Art. I. This society shall be called the Anti-Tobacco League.

Art. II. The object of this League is to abolish cigarettes and tobacco in every form.

Art. III. We, the undersigned, hereby pledge ourselves, upon honor, to abstain from the use of tobacco in every form, and to use our influence to induce all boys and girls to do the same.

Art. IV. Sec. 1. The officers of this League shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Attorney.

Sec. 2. These officers shall constitute the Executive Committee of the League.

Sec. 3. The officers shall be elected by ballot annually and must receive a majority of votes cast.

Art. IV. Amendments to this Constitution must be submitted in writing at least one week before being acted upon, and to be adopted must receive a three-fourths vote of members present.

## BY-LAWS.

Art. I. This League shall meet

Art. II. The President shall have power to call a meeting of the League at any time, and it shall be his duty to call a meeting upon request of five members.

Art. III. Sec. 1. Any officer being absent from any regular meeting or failing to perform his duty without lawful excuse, shall be fined twenty-five cents for the first offence and fifty cents for each repetition of the same.

Sec. 2. Fines shall be paid within one month after being assessed. Penalty for non-payment shall be expulsion.

Art. IV. Any member who violates the pledge may upon payment of a fine of \$1.00, by unanimous vote of the members present, be reobligated

and retained in the League, but otherwise shall be expelled.

Art. V. Members shall report to the President in writing, all violations of the pledge of which they have knowledge. The President shall, at the first regular meeting thereafter, appoint five members a committee on trial.

Art. VI. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to provide suitable literary exercises from time to time.

This constitution is only intended as a guide, to be added to or cut down at pleasure. Organize in the schools under the control of teachers.

Yours for work,  
FANNIE CALKINS,  
Sup't.

## HOW IT WAS DONE.

Our State Sup't of Narcotics, Mrs. Fannie Calkins of Portland, with an appropriation of only five dollars for department work for the entire year, determined to work for a prohibitory cigarette law. Such faith has not been found in all Indiana!

On account of her influence and the cause she represents, Mrs. Calkins secured the services of an eminent lawyer of Jay County, who wrote the prohibitory cigarette bill to be introduced in the Legislature, and also wrote the form for the petition praying for the passage of the bill.

The efficient efforts of S. M. Hoff, State Sec'y of the Epworth League, for the anti cigarette law secured many thousands of signatures to petitions and resulted in scores of letters being sent to Legislators.

We regret that after repeated efforts with the State Sec'y of the Christian Endeavor Society we utterly failed to secure the co-operation of the President and Christian Citizenship Dep't of that great organization. We are assured that the conservatism of these officials is not the sentiment of the membership at large.

Through the unrelenting efforts of our white ribboners throughout the State, the petitions, personal letters and newspaper articles showed the sentiment of the people against the cigarette. This expression had a wonderful influence upon our law makers. Gov. Mount and almost every member of the Gen'l Assembly received many letters urging the passage of the prohibitory cigarette bill.

The aggregate length of the lists of voters' names which were sent in attached to the petitions from the different counties, was about one thousand feet. Nearly half as many more women's names were sent. The petitions and memorials sent from churches, Sabbath-schools, young peoples' societies, school teachers and college faculties together with the many personal letters to members of the Legislature expressed a request that could not be ignored. The present law could not have gained without these expressions from the people.

The passage of the law would have been impossible at this time but for the fact that members of the House and Senate knew that their constituents were depending upon them to support it. Our State Vice-President, Miss Mary Hadley and our State Rec. Sec'y, Mrs. M. O. Cammack, Dr. W. H. Gray and others did the cause valient service by writing newspaper articles. Our Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. M. E. Balch, "stayed by" the State work. Little did we realize the magnitude of the opposition we would meet. It has been said "it ought not to be hard to secure a good prohibitory cigarette law." We were informed by good legal authority that if an entire prohibitory cigarette law were passed it would become inoperative on account of the Inter State Commerce law, which allows goods to be shipped into the States in original packages. Many members of the Legislature refused to vote for the entire prohibitory law believing it would not be effective. Therefore the following law was passed which restricts the use and sale of cigarettes to persons over twenty-one years of age.

Our State Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson, that courageous woman who does not know failure spent many hours every day for weeks with Mrs. Sims, Mrs. Hann and myself meeting the enemy in open conflict. In order to do this, Mrs. Whitson, assisted by her kind husband, worked late at night every night thereby keeping up the Treasurer's work and carefully attending to the details of reviewing subscriptions for and sending out the MESSAGE. These women of dauntless faith and courage bravely fought for a better protection for the boys of this State, for many weeks consecrating their energies and ability to this work, regardless of storms of snow or sleet, oftentimes being greatly exposed.

When we consider that the moneyed power of the Tobacco Trust is second only to that of the whisky,



traffic, then we realize what it is to meet it and secure legislation against it. The Indianapolis Press is responsible for statements in regard to the Tobacco Trust having agents here in its interest, going as far as to say that one was no other than an ex-State Senator, a lawyer, and a paid lobbyist. Let us take courage and renew our faith in the possibility of yet greater works, looking forward with confidence to the final great battle and triumph over the liquor traffic and over every form of evil.

L. F. McWHIRTER.

#### INDIANA'S ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW.

[Approved March 6, 1897.]

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, That it shall hereafter be unlawful in the State of Indiana for any corporation, company, firm or person to sell, barter, furnish or give away, directly or indirectly, to any minor any cigarette, cigarette wrappers or any substitute for either; or to procure for, or to persuade, advise, counsel or compel any child under said age to smoke any cigarette.

Sec. 2. Any such corporation, company, firm or person violating any of the provisions of the preceding section shall, for the first offense, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not more than fifty dollars, nor less than ten dollars; and for a second and any subsequent offense, such corporation, company, firm or person shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars, and to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail, for any period not exceeding sixty days. It is hereby made the special duty of Prosecuting Attorneys to enforce the provisions of this act, and he may summon any minor who may have or have had in his possession any cigarettes, and compel him to testify before the mayor of a city or a justice of the Peace as to where and of whom he obtained such cigarettes.

Sec. 3. All laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are repealed.

Sedalia held her first contest Tuesday, April 6th, in the M. E. church. It was very successful, Miss Ethel Brown won the medal (W. C. T. U.) and Miss Ethel Campbell, second prize. The others were also remembered. There were seven contestants.

Life Membership presented to our president Mrs. Saylor. Temperance quilt to County President.

FLORENCE VANCE.

#### DIRECTORY.

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#### HADLEY SCHOOL NOTES.

The W. C. T. U. of Eaton has sent a beautiful quilt to the Hadley Industrial School. It repre-

sents many days of ingenious workmanship. No doubt it will be kept for years as a token of loving thoughtfulness from the friends in Eaton, as it comes with the blessing of the donors on the work of the home and school.

Will any union or person to whom blanks for admission of girls to the Hadley School have been sent return them if they are not used to Frances A. Potter, 444 N. East St., Indianapolis. We also ask any who wish to enter girls, to write at once, whether they have written before or not, for the reason that the new admission blanks are prepared and we wish to have all we have room for arranged for soon.

Miss Hobart, who was appointed on the Board of Trustees of Hadley Industrial School by the Central Committee, has shown her interest and efficiency by entering into the horticultural department with heart and hand. She first read a paper on the Industrial School before the Marion County Horticultural Society of which she is secretary, and then asked for donations of plants, trees and seeds which was readily and heartily responded to by the following persons: Henry J. Hale, Haughville; E. J. Howland, Howland Station; J. G. Kingsbury, editor of Indiana Farmer; Miss Ida F. Richards; Miss Lucretia Hobart; Rev. A. Dunn; Mrs. A. Mathews; Mr. Theodore Wilsan; Mrs. Flick, of Lawrence, and if other names are omitted I will say, Miss Hobart went to Hadley and saw the ground properly prepared and set the plants, bushes and trees and now all of your donations are carefully disposed of on the Hadley School Farm.

The way in which friends of the school are showing their interest in the work is very encouraging. I believe what most people need is to know what has been done, what is being done, and what is needed and they will think of some way in which they can help. At present we are bending our efforts to clear of all indebtedness. If the unions will take hold with a will and work to the plan proposed by the State Sec'y in "The Stirring Campaign," I believe the debts can be swept out of existence, the school will be nearly self supporting and the W. C. T. U. of Indiana will have a monument to her energy, perseverance and sacrifice that will last for generations.

For managing the Home economically our Superintendent and her faithful assistant deserve great credit. The expenses have been reduced to a minimum and yet the inmates have wholesome and well prepared food. The girls are in good health and are growing finely and are contented and happy.

Generous donations of canned fruit have come to the Home from many kind friends, which have been gratefully received. If the trees and plants that have been set grow well, it will not be long before there will be enough fruit for supplying the Home and abundance to help meet expenses of the school.

#### POULTRY.

It is conceded by all who are engaged in poultry raising that it is a profitable business. Why not make it remunerative at the Hadley Industrial School. It is just the place to make it one of the principle branches of industry. There is plenty of room, feed can be raised on the farm, even the youngest of the girls can do much of the work, and if there is market for anything fresh eggs will always be in demand. If any one, or a number of persons will take an interest in this work and invest some money so the business can be started, it will pay from the beginning and can be increased from the profits to any extent advisable. Our object should be to make the school self supporting. This will take time but nothing brings in quick returns like poultry. A few dollars expended this summer in putting up warm houses which with good care and feed will insure a return in eggs when the price is high. If any friends have enough confidence in the plan to send money to put into this work it will be carefully expended. Money can be sent to the treasurer, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, and specified for "Poultry."

Friends, the sooner you can send in funds the sooner the bills we (you) are owing can be settled.

Mr. Cornells, of Royal Centre, who made the beautiful harness for the Hadley Industrial School is entitled to the thanks of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana. We expect to have it for many years to use and to remind us of the good will and exceedingly good workmanship of the maker. Any one desiring honest and beautiful work in this line will find it to their interest to get their harness of Mr. Cornells.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### RESIGNATION OF SUPERINTENDENTS AND PLACES FILLED.

Mrs. Ella M. Richards, Churubusco, appointed to the department of "Relation of Temperance to Labor and Law and Statistics", sent in her resignation. Want of time to give it attention the reason stated for the resignation. Which the committee accepted. Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount, Grant Co., fills this vacant place.

Miss Esther Pugh, having been promoted to the National, resigned and Mrs. W. R. Shelt, of Jeffersonville, takes her place.

Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, so long our faithful Superintendent of Literature, sent in her resignation. It came under cover with some other matter to the secretary who failed to open in time for the Executive Committee, and the Central Committee acted upon it relieving her of the burden because they believed she wished them to do so. Miss Georgiana Moser, of Loogootee, Martin County, takes the place.

Mrs. Lizzie Dunlap, Franklin, resigned the Department of Christian Citizenship. Her hands too full and other duties made it necessary to lay this down. This department was left open and all correspondence relating to it will be in the hands of the State Secretary.

Mrs. Thornton, of Indianapolis, failing to serve on the Fair Committee, Mrs. May Bogart was put in her place.

### DELEGATES TO THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U. CONVENTION AND NATIONAL TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

In appointing delegates to the World's Convention the State was districted into four groups.

Group 1. Bartholomew, Crawford, Clark, Dearborn, Dubois, Floyd, Green, Gihson, Jackson, Knox, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange, Owen, Posey, Ripley, Spencer, Sullivan, Switzerland, Vanderburg, Warrick and Washington. 21, with 1121 paid members, taking the treasurer's report of 1896 as a basis. As these counties had no representative in the committee, the committee acted for them and Mrs. Mary McPheeters, Hardensburg, was chosen as delegate and Mrs. Lida D. Barnett, Alternate.

Group 2. Allen DeKalb, Elkhart, Fulton, Jasper, Kosciusko, Lagrange, Lake, LaPorte, Marshall, Miami, Newton, Noble, Porter, Pulaski, Starke, Steuben, St. Joseph, Wabash, Whitley, Wells, Huntington, Adams, Cass, Carroll, White and Benton. 27, with 1231 paid members. Miss Eliza Baker chairman. Delegate, Miss Eliza Baker; alternate, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

Group 3. Grant, Blackford, Jay, Randolph, Delaware, Madison, Hancock, Henry, Rush, Wayne, Union, Fayette, Decatur, Shelby, Franklin and Johnson. 16, with 1113 members. Mrs. Josie Dix, chairman. Delegate, Rev. Mattie O. Cammack, Marion; alternate, Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.

Group 4. Marion, Boone, Clinton, Tippecanoe, Warren, Fountain, Vermillion, Parke, Putnam, Clay, Hendricks, Morgan, Hamilton, Howard and Montgomery. 15 with a membership of 1124. Mrs. Frances, Boyer, chairman. Delegate, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis. Alternate, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson.

Our delegates to the World's Convention at Toronto, Canada, Oct. 23 to 26: Mrs. Luella McWhirter Indianapolis; Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, Marion; Mrs. Ella McPheeters, Hardinsburg; Miss E. F. Baker, Otterbein.

Alternates, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, Indianapolis; Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria; Mrs. Lida D. Barnett, Hardinsburg; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

Delegates to the National Temperance Convention, which meets at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., commencing 9 a. m., Wednesday, August 16th. Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis; Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis; J. R. Wood, Indianapolis; Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland; Miss L. E. Eversole, Delphi; Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson; Mrs. Laura Thomson, Decatur.

We have presented four plans to the Unions and the Executive Committee voted on those plans. We believe they are for the success of our work; we think God can bless them; now it rests with the Unions—whether we have the success and the blessing. We have asked nothing of Unions that would be burdensome, but the effort to carry out the plans would give added inspiration, and in return, from

the State, Unions would receive assistance by free organization and lectures. Read the plans, and see what there is in them for your Unions, and then do your best to make them effectual.

### PLAN NO. 1. LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Our State Constitution fixes the amount of Life Membership as \$25. The Executive Committee voted to use the money from Life Membership as a fund for organization and decided on this division of the money. A county taking a life membership puts five dollars into the county treasury and twenty dollars into the State treasury. A local Union making a life membership puts five dollars into the local treasury and twenty dollars into the State treasury. An individual making a life membership may put five dollars into the treasury of the Union to which they belong and twenty into the State treasury. The State making a life membership puts the whole amount into the State treasury.

The State is making two life memberships, one by asking counties to give thirty cents. It would take 83 counties. We felt sure every county would respond without delay. Will you do it to-day?

Every secretary, local and county, were asked to give 10 cents. Dear sisters, before the June roses fill the summer air with fragrance, this should be an accomplished fact. Let us pay our 30 cents, our 10 cents, for God and home, and native land.

### PLAN NO. 2. DEPARTMENT FUND.

See the April number of the MESSAGE and if you do not have a copy order one.

Plan No. 3, "A Stirring Campaign," and No. 4, "Nothing Impossible for Indiana Either," in this issue of our paper. Central Union, Indianapolis, held the first contest in the campaign, and has a second and a third under way. How many understand that the "Stirring Campaign" has begun and closes June 30th. Write the Secretary, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis, for all supplies and instructions.

Plan No. 4 has been commenced by several counties and promises to be a favorite. Well, as white ribboners, we can do the things we like to do, and we can do the things we do not like to do, if the doing brings the desired result. Therefore, let us work all the plans conscientiously.

There is no one help, that we use in the Unions, local and county and Ys, that we need more than the Record Books. However, we shall not be justified in getting them printed until we have at least 100 orders. We have now, April 21, less than 40.

If our old books are not full, do we need new ones? is asked. I answer yes, because a change has been made in the blanks and blanks and books must be alike. Why did we make the change? Because of the suggestions in the National Union—that no secretary should trespass on the ground of any department.

Why not make the old books and blanks do during these hard times? Because we had used the old blanks and were compelled to have a new supply. If Unions will order promptly we can get the books and fill the orders. Please notice—the Unions that have ordered are kept waiting by the Unions that have not ordered. Let us have prompt action, and not only one hundred orders but one for each and every Union.

Miss Edna Washburn, Logansport, a graduate of oratory, in Nichols University, and who had charge of the drill at the Rink during the State Convention, and who graduates in the High School of her city May 29, will now respond to the many calls which she has received during the past year, to recite, to drill classes, to instruct in costumes, etc. She will be ready to make dates after June 1st. Write her at 129 Spring St., Logansport, Ind., for terms. Open the door wide for the young people, and entice them in. It will be our victory.

The W. C. T. U. of Frankfort, began, two years ago, to agitate the curfew. They now have a curfew ordinance.

The Frankfort Union voted to enter "The Stirring Campaign."

Bloomington Union was the first to report every member a subscriber to THE MESSAGE. Mrs. May L. Lindley receives the premium of one year's subscription to the Signal. Who will be next?

Mattie Cammack's week's work was so satisfactory in Parke county, they think of calling her back next month.

Bloomington Union sends a minister's club of twelve, also a club of twelve from their Union. Imagine how much W. C. T. U. doctrine will be preached from the pulpits of that city during 1897.

The President and Secretary of Henry county purpose to visit all their Unions this quarter.

The number of Unions observing Neal Dow's birthday was surprisingly large.

Switzerland county hopes for nature not only to bring to life the vegetation, but weary, despondent W. C. T. U. workers, that they may live again in good deeds performed, not deeds simply thought or dreamed over.

Spiceland has headquarters, Hadley Hall.

New Castle has headquarters and a reading-room.

The Secretary of the new Union at Middlebury, writes, "No worm eaten timber in this Union. We will wage a good warfare."

A Woman's Christian Temperance Union just formed in Illinois has in its organization a reading circle for the purpose of studying W. C. T. U. plans and Methods. How many Indiana Unions will adopt their plan.

Indiana has a Scientific Temperance Instruction law. Is the law enforced in your schools? Visit every department and see. Give a parlor social in honor of the school board, invite every teacher. Arrange your program and discuss the Scientific Temperance Instruction law.

Has your Union failed to put forth every effort possible in securing new members and collecting dues? Has your Union adopted a systematic plan of work or is your work done in a haphazard way. Do your Unions meet and follow out an interesting program or do you meet and visit. We are judged according to our work.

Freelandville had a week's work by Mother Trish and a visit from their county president, and a contest for a free medal under the Demorest system, in a German community.

Our dear Mrs. Thomson has taken her place in the Palo Alto Union where she is very helpful, writes Mrs. Sturtevant Peet, President of California.

Loogootee writes, "Mrs. Cranmer gave us the last lecture ever delivered in our town." Every Union she has visited tells the same story and she is going over her route the second time.

Mrs. Ellen K. Denny has made a protracted visit in the west she writes very recently, "Will be at home ready for work May 1st."

Mrs. Allie Anderson began work in Warren county for a month, April 20th.

Mrs. Cammack, is in Miami county for a few days and goes to Evansville for their Convention and Institute, May 13th and 14th. Now is the time to call her when she is near you, it saves expense and it saves time, and it saves the women. Do you know our women wear out. They are leaving us one by one. Miss Libbie Taber might be doing more only there is no straw to make the bricks. Every move for organization depends on life membership now.

Mrs. Hattie Moorman, President of West Indianapolis Union, is planning largely for her Union. Among other good things the Union will soon give a reception to the thirty school teachers of the town.

The Central Committee at its regularly called meeting, April 30th, decided to give a very liberal construction to the vote of the last Executive Committee, relating to the time of closing clubs to the MESSAGE and voted to extend the time.

Dates for State Convention October 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th. Place, South Bend.

The Lafayette W. C. T. U. held a parlor meeting and lecture at the home of Mrs. S. M. Steuens, March 5th. They sent out 100 invitations to the school teachers and others who are interested. The lecture was given by Mrs. Adah White, our state superintendent, and was on scientific temperance instruction. It was well rendered and full of interest. There was an excellent service of refreshments, and a profitable time was spent.



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Every Union should send 50 cents in postage to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, The Temple, Chicago, Ill., for 100 Annual Leaflets. These are published by the National Officers and answer, What is the W. C. T. U. doing. A copy should be in the hands of every minister and school teacher in our State. Our members should commit to memory much that the Leaflet contains in order to intelligently give a reason for the faith that is within them.

Each County President is urged to secure sufficient advertisements for one page of our next Annual Report at \$25.00 per page. To retain \$10.00 per page for County Treasury and send \$15.00 for State Treasury.

Take copy of Annual Report for 1896 to your manufacturing firms, colleges, etc., tell them we will have as many as 1,500 copies of this year's report and ask them to take a page at \$25.00. Tell them these reports are sent into all parts of the State and very frequently used as references by our members, that they are read by the families, the ministers and the teachers. If they will not take a whole page, then offer them half, and if necessary, less—the money to be paid in cash in October upon presentation of a copy of the Annual Report of 1897. As soon as bargain is made secure their copy for space and send it immediately to our State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson.

This offer is open to local as well as County Unions. It is an opportunity to secure \$10.00 for your work without great expenditure of time or energy.

## COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY NATIONAL L. T. L.

I would recommend that each Union be asked to carry out the following suggestions:

1. The adoption of the normal grade of the L. T. L.

2. A standing committee on the L. T. L., whose members may be changed as often as seems advisable, whose duties shall be, (a) to secure the necessary helpers and the organization of a Legion where there is none; (b) to be present at the meetings of the Legion, where there is one, aiding and encouraging the leader in every possible way.

3. *Rallying days* in which the W. C. T. U. members shall systematically visit the various localities of the community, for both W. C. T. U. members and L. T. L. recruits; Crusade Membership Day should be one of these.

4. An observance by every W. C. T. U. woman of the L. T. L. time for united prayer, 7 p. m.

It is earnestly desired that your state, following the lead of the National W. C. T. U., shall this year if it has not already done so.

1. Give L. T. L. representation, upon payment of dues, in its State W. C. T. U. conventions.

2. Give the whole, or a part, of an evening's program in these conventions to the L. T. L.

Also that you will recommend the city Unions of your State to employ L. T. L. missionaries as the only effective way for carrying on the work in these centres of population.

Our L. T. L. organizers, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. Green and Mrs. Fields are, as you know, available for help along L. T. L. lines in the various states.

## THE NORMAL GRADE OF THE L. T. L.

### WHY?

Questioning the many *childless* unions as to the reason why they do not maintain a Loyal Temperance Legion, they seldom fail to express in reply their conviction as to the importance of the work, and then add—"But we cannot find a leader."

Questioning the earnest leaders who are at the head of our many legions, we are almost certain to

receive the reply that they find themselves unable to accomplish all that they desire to do because of lack of helpers. What wonder if they sometimes become disheartened, and resign a work which has proved too great to carry single-handed, but which might, with proper assistance, have been a delight.

It is primarily to meet those needs that the L. T. L. Normal Grade has been instituted; but we believe that no union can take up the required study in this course without finding itself greatly helped thereby for all its lines of work.

### WHAT?

Each W. C. T. U. and Y is asked to constitute itself, by a vote, an L. T. L. Normal class, and to appoint a leader of the same, whose duty it shall be to conduct the class in the course of exercises given below. If the union has already an efficient L. T. L. superintendent it will be wise to make her the leader of the Normal class.

### HOW?

The regular course of study to be pursued is contained in volume III, II and I of the Temperance Lesson Manuals, which shall be taken up in the order named. These should be supplemented by volumes V and VI, which are devoted to the various phases of civil government. The first three volumes comprise a variety of subjects. (See list at the close of this leaflet.)

This leader should first conduct the manual lesson as a responsive reading, allowing free discussion, and should then teach it as an object-lesson. She should always be supplied with the teacher's edition of the manuals, which contains valuable hints for this object teaching.

While using the manuals as a basis for study, our normal classes will desire to secure side-lights upon the topics of the lessons. The following helps, which may be multiplied indefinitely, are suggested:

(1.) For Volume III. In connection with Number 1, the study of heredity should be followed. Send a postage stamp to the National Superintendent, Dr. L. C. Purington, 23 Allston St., Dorchester, Mass., for her list of recommended books and leaflets. As each legion is requested to constitute itself a Band of Mercy, with Number 3, the class may profitably read the literature to be obtained of the Humane Education Committee, 55 Westminister St., Room 32 Providence, R. I.; also the monthly, *Our Dumb Animals*, published by George T. Angell, 19 Milk St., Boston. (Price 50 cents per year.)

(2.) For Volume II. In connection with Numbers 1 and 2, use Blaisdell's "How to Keep Well," one of the school physiologies indorsed by the National department of Scientific Temperance Instruction. With Number 3, "Beer and the Body," by Petroleum V. Nasby, published by the National Temperance Society, 58 Reade St., New York (Price 10 cents) With Number 4, "The Tobacco Problem," by Meta Lander (price \$1.25) to be obtained from the W. T. P. A.; "Tobacco, the Second Intoxicant" (price 10 cents), published by Charles H. Kerr & Co., 175 Dearborn St., Chicago; *The Anti-Tobacco Gem*, a monthly, published by C. H. Shepard, Melvin Village, N. H. (20 cents per year.)

(3.) For Volume I. "Seven Studies in Temperance" (price 10 cents), published by the Unitarian Temperance Society, 25 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., may be used. The Sixth Study will be found especially applicable to Number 4.

(4.) In connection with Volumes VI. and VII. the literature prepared by our National department of Peace and Arbitration should be read.

(5.) The class will also find it profitable to read the leaflets on social purity published by the W. T. P. A., since these have such a bearing upon the welfare of our young people. The class should subscribe for at least one copy of our children's monthly, *The Young Crusader* (25 cents per year). Much pleasure may be derived from using our L. T. L. song books, especially "Marching Songs No. 3" The leader, being authorized by the class to procure these helps, should see that they are on hand when

needed. The price can easily be met by small contributions from the individual members, or from the W. C. T. U. treasury, and there will thus be gathered the nucleus for a library, and leaflets for distribution. *The Young Crusader*, *Our Dumb Animal* and the *Anti-Tobacco Gem* may be passed on to the teachers for use in the schools.

The leader, in addition to the lesson, should bring forward at each meeting some one method of L. T. L. work, which she will illustrate by using the class as a company of children. If not already familiar with these methods she can apply to her own State L. T. L. superintendents or to the National superintendent for the necessary helps.

### WHEN?

Some unions will find it profitable to make the normal class work a feature of their regular meetings. Some may find it possible to hold a special meeting monthly, or oftener. Probably most unions will find a half hour, or more, at the close of each regular W. C. T. U. meeting, the most convenient time for the class.

### CONCLUSION.

Because of the vital importance of *organized work* among the children to the future of the W. C. T. U., as well as to the welfare of the children themselves, we make no apology for urging the plan herein described upon every W. and Y. Furthermore, we believe that we can, with fairness, test the honesty of the pleas of any union that it fails to maintain a legion because no leader can be found, by its willingness, or unwillingness to try this plan.

It is not necessarily implied that every union will procure *all* the helps or do *all* the work outlined. But we trust no union will be deterred from doing what it can, because it cannot do all that it would.

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### ATTENTION!

Marion is the place and July 8th, 9th, the time for our State Convention of the L. T. L. A good program is being prepared and there are eight classes reported as preparing to graduate. Remember, there is a banner for the largest class, which Frankfort won last year.

All graduates and delegates who expect to attend should practice songs number 1, 18, 22, 26, 27, 38 and 52 in Marching Songs number 1. There will be a street parade the morning of the 9th in which we will carry banners and flags, sing numbers 1, 22, and give our L. T. L. yell: "Rah! Rah! Rah!! We clover blossoms are a field. Why? SALOONS MUST DIE! Hear their knell! Indiana L. T. L." Miss Wintringer, State Superintendent of Illinois, will be with us, and as she is a power we will be greatly helped.

Railroads give one fare for the round trip. All graduates and local leaders are delegates and should arrange to go. This will be the grandest meeting of young people that Indiana has had. Remember one fare for the round trip.

Hurrah for Marion!

A. R. GORDON,  
State Secretary.



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"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### UNFERMENTED WINE.

A word to county and local superintendents of this department. Have a superintendent of this department and then see that they make a report once a quarter of work done, and then you can make a report to County and State that will encourage others to follow your good example. There are twenty counties in Indiana that reported for this department last year. Do you think for one moment that all the other counties do not use alcoholic wine in some of the churches. Work doubtless is done in many of the other counties, but their superintendents fail to report. They do not see the good that would result to others from a careful statement of facts gathered in their locality. The pastors of churches will aid you in the work if you prayerfully approach them but do not fail to report.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That each local Union take up this department and appoint a superintendent.
2. That effort be made to find how many churches use alcoholic wine at communion.
3. That special effort be directed to Lutheran Episcopal and Roman Catholic and foreign speaking churches.
4. That this subject be discussed in local meetings and in County Conventions.
5. That no opportunity be lost in petitioning religious bodies to pass resolutions recommending the use of unfermented wine at the sacrament of the Lord's supper.
6. That reports of work done or the condition of churches be promptly sent into County and State Superintendents of this department.

J. R. WOOD, Supt.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

DEAR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS:—All over our State the schools are closing.

Vacation time has come and regular school work for this year ended.

Not so our work as superintendents. The teacher's leisure is our opportunity.

Is a teacher's normal to be held in your county?

If so, be sure our work is represented.

Ask the instructors for leave to present the work to the normal classes.

Visit the school and take subscriptions for the "School Physiology Journal."

Distribute copies of the State Law and Literature pertaining to the department.

Give names of Reference books to the teachers. Hold parlor meetings or teachers' socials.

Communicate with each of your local superintendents that no local work shall go unreported.

Have some plan ready to present the work at your teachers' Institute this fall, if possible obtain some worker in the department to address the teachers.

Bring up your department at your fall Convention and try to have every local present to report her work.

And dear County Superintendents, will you urge upon your locals, that each Union contribute something toward a fund for this department yet during this year.

The work is hampered for lack of funds.

We receive directions from the national which we are financially unable to carry out.

Superintendents send to us for sample literature, which we should have, but cannot afford.

Directions must be given to superintendents, and beside the immense labor involved in writing a personal letter to each, it must be sent under letter postage, thus increasing the expense to your State Superintendent.

As a department also, we certainly need a set of charts. All these are necessities of small moment and cost.

But further, we want at no distant day, as good a Scientific Temperance Instruction Law for Indiana as has been obtained by any State in the Union.

Dear White Ribbon women, shall we have it?

We have obtained, a foot-hold. Shall we go further and establish our principles in the laws of the State, so securely that evasion will be impossible?

Shall we try? Will you help? If every Union will help "just a little," we shall soon have a nucleus established and it will grow.

Treasurers of Unions and Local Superintendents send all funds for this purpose to the State treasury and state specifically what it is for.

When we look back over the great work accomplished in this and kindred departments, we feel indeed that 'nothing is impossible' for Indiana women where the children are concerned.

Yours in loving sympathy,

ADAH W. WHITE.

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Adopt the department, appoint County and Local Superintendents, sending addresses and names at once to State Superintendent. Organize temperance societies among the soldiers, and pledge every one possible. Hold meetings for and with them, visit hospitals, arsenals, homes and places where soldiers are massed together, distribute literature. Co-operate with G. A. R. and W. R. C. Use the L. T. L.'s and all young peoples' societies on Decoration Day. Work for the enforcement of laws against the open saloons on National Holidays, and for the removal of the saloons from "Soldiers' Homes," and the giving of the pension of the drunken soldier to his family. Keep a strict account of all work done, and write and tell the superintendent, reply to every communication if only to say No. Pray and work without ceasing.

1. How many local superintendents in your County?
2. How many meetings have been held specially for soldiers?
3. How many pledged?
4. How many conversions among soldiers?
5. How many honorary members to the W. C. T. U. among the soldiers?
6. Did you observe July 4th as a Red Letter Day for our department?
7. How many pages of literature distributed? Delicacies given in hospitals.
8. How many letters written?
9. Do you read the "Union Signal?"

Yours for service,

JULIA OVERMAN.

### SUNDAY-SCHOOL WORK.

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS:—June 30th is our next Quarterly Temperance Sunday. The purpose is to make Sunday-school temperance rallies the special feature in its observance. Note specific directions in Plan of Work leaflet. Send for "Sunday-school Temperance Rally Program, No. 2," 50 cents per hundred, to Mrs. Stella B. Irvin, St. Paul, Minn.

Circulate the Pledge. Make pledge-signing one of the chief features of the day. Try to have the picnic usually held by each Sunday-school sometime during the summer, a Temperance Rally Picnic. The "Rally Program No. 2," will prove a pleasing open air program.

Can you not hold Department Tea meetings just previous to each Quarterly Temperance Sunday? The free-will offering will afford a literature fund. The *Young Crusader* is a splendid little sheet; let us support it by subscribing for and distributing it. The price is 25 cents single subscriptions, but 50 copies can be sent to one address one year for 12 cents each. The Y. C. with supplement prepared by Mrs. Irvine is especially fine and can be ordered at \$1.25 cents per hundred. The supplement comes quarterly with the temperance lesson and is prepared especially for Sunday-school teachers. Try to get it into their hands. For full information address Margaret Wintringer, Editor Y. C., Austin, Ill., who will be glad to correspond with you.

Are you trying to secure co-workers? A co-worker

by paying \$1.00 annually receives a certificate which entitles the holder to receive the annual report of the National Superintendent and all literature which will keep the co-worker in touch with this department. The Superintendent securing the co-worker will send the name and address and fifty cents to the Secretary of National Department, Mrs. Dora B. Butts, 4226 Wabash Ave., Chicago, retaining 50 cents for her own work.

Now, dear workers, will you not let me hear from you? The work has gone on very nicely and is encouraging, but can it not be even more so, if every one will "help just a little." The time will soon be here to report. Our rallying cry is, a superintendent in every Union. We want to receive the banner to be given by our department at Buffalo, to the State securing the largest per cent. increase of Local Superintendents. Now, how can we get it if you don't appoint superintendents? And how can I report an increase to the National Superintendent if you don't report to me. In making your report this year please don't forget to say whether your Union had a superintendent last year. In counties where there is no County Superintendent, locals will report direct to me, giving county in which they live, that I may give credit where credit is due. I have sent out many report blanks and will send more; if you don't receive one, send to me for it.

Remember to "Set up your banners" on temperance Sundays. Educate the people as to what our department is.

Let us gather up the sheaves that none be lost. "And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord, and great shall be the peace of thy children."

Yours for the "Thus saith the Lord" side of the temperance question,

ALICE G. GEARY, Sup't.

808 North St., Logansport, Ind.

### HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS.

DEAR SISTER CO-WORKERS:—I have sent out circulars endorsed by the Society of Hygiene and Local Council of Women of Indianapolis, asking that Domestic Science be taught in all the public schools up to the High School. I trust every County will appoint some one to visit the County Teachers' Institutes and ask their co-operation in arranging a plan of work. In some states one cooking school is maintained in each town, pupils have their regular practical class work and stand the examination as in any other speciality. They are taught marketing, the nutritive value of various foods—those best adapted to infancy, youth and old age, what impairs the delicate living membranes of the stomach and what fosters vigorous healthy growth, when the problems relating to the wonderful mechanism of the human body are better understood our doctor bills and the greater burthen caused by sickness that of suffering and death will be largely removed from our homes. To successfully work in this department one must read literature along these lines. Ask your Union to subscribe for "The New Enlarged Kitchen Magazine," 7 Temple Place, Boston; "Good Health," Battle Creek, Mich. only \$1.00 each. These monthly journals should be circulated in the Unions.

MARY A. MOODY, State Sup't.

### TEMPERANCE AND LABOR.

This being an educative department, we wish by every means in our power to show that the liquor traffic is the laboring man's worst foe, and to find the best means to get rid of it.

Dear sisters, in taking up this department we must co-operate with labor unions and farmer's institutes, and in every way possible get the public aroused to the study of the liquor problem. While both the Republican and the Democratic parties cry out against the importation of pauper labor, neither of them say aught against manufactories (saloons) at home, which are far more threatening and dangerous, for they imperil the home, feed upon our children, debauch every avenue of government, and paralyze every industry.

Politicians are blinding the people with false theories as to the cause of destitution and ask for protection from foreign industries and declare in favor of a gold standard, or demand free trade and free coinage of silver, and protection from the trusts, while all the time the cause lies in licensed rum. If they do not understand the cause, the will not provide the remedy, which is Prohibition.

LOUISA RUSH,

State Sup't.

Fairmount, Ind.



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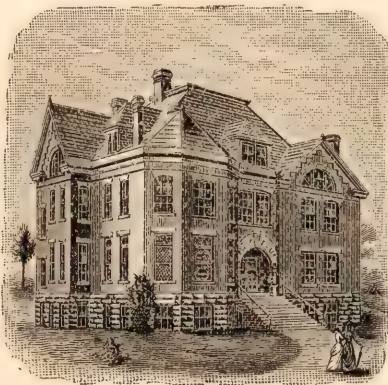
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## OUR HOUSE BEAUTIFUL AND ITS INMATES.

When I look around I wonder why ever woman does not wear the little knot of white ribbon, it means so much to me. For as surely as God called a Frances Willard to lead, this the largest and grandest organization of women that ever existed, so sure has he called the motherhood and sisterhood of this nation to follow and help dethrone the worst foe to our country, our church and our homes, that ever did or ever can exist. I wonder if there are some who have lost interest in our Industrial School. It certainly bids fair to be of untold blessing to the girlhood and motherhood of this State. For will not the daughters of to-day be the mothers of tomorrow and are not the mothers the moulders of character of their children. My dear sisters, an industrial education means immensely more than we can estimate. How many girls in our land to-day who would be better girls had they been brought up to work and earn an honest living. We would not need so many police matrons as we have to-day. Exceeding great care is necessary in placing girls in the home. The evil influence of one girl may seriously effect the entire school. Preventive charity is moral reform.

Preventive charity is the care of ignorant and neglected children in a home where an industrial education can be given. Such a school has been provided by the good people of Indiana. With the industrial policy carried out it will make needy worthy girls self-reliant. Preventive from the standpoint of economy, to say nothing of humanity and christianity is far better than reform and I have always been so glad that the W. C. T. U. made prominent the preventive feature. When the preventive Sunday laws of New York were enforced by Theodore Roosevelt, the hospitals of that city were thinned out and relief-giving was greatly reduced. It has been a notable fact in many cities during the past five years that poverty brought on by the drink traffic, and ignorance on the lines of common school and industrial education is the most potent factor in the production of criminals.

If so, can we be silent and inactive on this subject and still be true to the light God has given us? The age of admission of girls has been changed from 10-18 to 6-12. The former not being satisfactory as the habits in older girls were formed and in some cases greatly demoralized.

At present there are ten girls in the home. Our oldest girl is Mary Hicks. She is aged seventeen, from Princeton, Gibson County. Mary's mother died when she was for years of age. Her grandmother kept her until she died, then she was sent to the home. She is supported by Princeton Union. She is head dairy girl.

Belle Stewart is from Westland, Hancock County, is fifteen years of age. Her father died before she was born, her mother was left with nothing and is

working by the week. Belle is a smart, bright girl, very industrious, is preparing to teach, is one of our dishwashers.

Eva Anderson is fourteen, from Francesville, Pulaski County. Her mother died when she was four years old, her father married again and soon died leaving four little children unprovided for. She passed to the seventh grade, her work is the care of the rooms on the second floor. She is clothed by the Francesville Union.

Lizzie Leon is from Terre Haute, Vigo County, is aged fifteen. Her father and mother separated, sending three little boys to the home provided by the associated charities in Terre Haute and Lizzie was sent to the home. Her work is keeping in order the basement hall, laundry, fuel room and first flight of stairs; she passed to the seventh grade.

Delphia Bookorer, aged thirteen, is from Milroy, Rush County. Her mother died when she was three years of age. Her father married again and the children were not sent to school but kept at home to work and as a result Delphia is behind in her studies. She passed to the fourth grade. She is learning to cook and gives satisfaction on that line, makes fine bread; is supported by the Milroy Union.

Opel Dillon is aged twelve. Is from Ireland, Dubois County. Her mother died when she was one year old, her father is intemperate and did not provide for her but abused her. Her aunt clothes her, she is a bright, intelligent child, passed to the sixth grade. Her work is the care of the hospital.

Eva Cutrell is aged eleven, is from Farmers' Institute, Tippacano County. Her mother died when she was three years of age leaving three little boys and Eva. She has a very kind papa who abundantly provides for her. She is our dining-room girl, lovely in disposition, can milk a cow as soon as the larger girls.

Martha Drager is from Shoals, Martin County. Her mother died when she was three years of age. Her father cared for her until the W. C. T. U. sent her to the Home. She wipes dishes and sweeps the steps, is a very bright little girl, passed to the fourth grade.

Mary Stevens is from Thorntown, aged nine years. It is believed she was stolen from her parents, she was rescued from a variety theatre in LaFayette. She is supported by the Thorntown Union.

Our baby is Julia Bolton, aged eight, is from Greensburg, Decatur County. She is sweet in disposition, industrious and lovable child. She comes from a home of extreme poverty. She assists in setting tables and wiping dishes and helps so much with the little chickens.

## RECEIPTS FOR MAY.

Mary Reed, Richmond	\$ 5 00
Frankfort W. C. T. U.	10 00
Terre Haute, Anna Palmatere	6 00
La Porte, F. A. Potter	12 00
Elkhart, M. A. Tompkins	5 00
Brazil W. C. T. U.	15 00
	\$ 53 00

ELLA B. WRIGHT,  
 Treas.

## THE CONSTITUTION.

A newly organized Union in Indiana met for the first time. There was only one of its newly elected officers present. What shall we do? The one officer present replied: Let us study the constitution, and they spent the hour in earnest study. The next week they met again under the same circumstances. The one officer said: Let us study the constitution and Annual Leaflet which were given us at our organization, and they spent the hour in earnest study. The next week they met again with only the one officer present. She said: I think we are now well enough informed to begin work. The officers who were elected have been absent three meetings without excuse which is equivalent to resignation. If it is the will of the Union we will proceed to the election of officers according to the Constitution. It is hardly necessary to say that she was elected president. It is three months since this Union was organized. They have had one public entertainment, one Medal Contest, one Gospel Temperance meeting, are fully enlisted in The Stirring Campaign, and to-day are more intelligent workers than some Unions who are three years old. Last, but best of all, at the next meeting after their election they each paid their dues, and reported at once to the county treasurer, and sent their subscriptions to THE MESSAGE. And they are only nine women. What ought a Union to do? First, study the Constitution. Second: Study the Constitution and Annual Leaflet. Third: Study the Constitution and Annual Leaflet and go to work, according to them, then study the Constitution, Annual Leaflet, and THE MESSAGE and work according to them all the time. If every Union in Indiana would do this we would quadruple our membership, and take the State for our cause. Women of Indiana W. C. T. U. let us arouse ourselves and meet the exigencies of this all important hour.

JENNIE BATES.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

Our city has been giving us new numbers for our houses. Will you take notice and address me (1112 Central Ave new number)?

MARY E. BALCH.

### RED LETTER DAYS.

June 8th—Flower Mission Day.

The Annual Convention of Indiana W. C. T. U., October 8, 9, 10, 11, 1897, in First Christian Church on Main Street, between Wayne and Division, South Bend.

#### CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES.

*Entertainment*—Mrs. Mary E. Pax, 419 South Taylor Street.

*Reception*—Mrs. Mary P. Bugbee, Main Street, opposite Public Library.

*Sunday Services*—Mrs. S. E. Babcock, 501 Vistula Avenue.

*Franchise*—Mrs. Katie Holler, 559 North Scott St.

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*Press*—Mrs. W. B. Stover, W. Nevarre Street.

*Music*—Mrs. S. E. Babcock, 501 Vistula Avenue.

*Ushers and Pages*—Mrs. Cora Sierer, 869 West Water Street.

*Bus Lines*—Mrs. S. P. Baker, 911 S. Main Street.

Cards similar to those at Logansport, will be used and lunch served in the basement of the church at noon each day except Sunday, for 15 cents.

Better preserve the above as it may not be printed again.

### JULY 20TH.

W. C. T. U. day at Winona. Do you wish to help the enterprise? If so, make as many words as you can from the word "Winona." English words only will be taken. Prefixes, suffixes and proper names counted. Do not use any letter oftener than it occurs in the word Winona. With your list send a dime in silver or stamps. The largest list will receive a souvenir of the late Mrs. Nichols; the second largest list a cabinet photograph of the State Supt of Medal work; the third largest a Cooper Recitation book and all other lists a copy of "Contest to Conquest." Send your list by June 30th, to Mary E. Balch, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### JULY 21, 22, 23.

W. C. T. U. days at Acton Park. Last week I gave a simple plan to help Winona W. C. T. U. day, now I want to give you one to help Acton Park in her W. C. T. U. Assembly Union. Anyone sending in the largest list of English words from the words "Acton Park," can have a souvenir of our beloved Mrs. Nichols. The second largest list a cabinet photograph of our Superintendent of Summer Assemblies; the third largest list a year's subscription to "The Midget," and every one a copy of the National Educator. All lists must be in by July 10. Send 10 cents in stamps or silver with your list, to Mary E. Balch, 56 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

Mrs. Anderson spent a month in Warren County, organized three new Unions, re-organized one, secured 31 working and 23 honorary members. The County President, writes me: "Mrs. Anderson has accomplished more for us and at a much less outlay of money than any other worker we ever had." They call her back in the fall for another month's work. Mrs. Butler adds, "I do hope the State will keep her busy every day." Unless the life membership materialize we cannot. Secretaries send in your dimes and county presidents your 30 cents. Why do not these puny counties with one, two and three Unions, call our organizers into the field and keep them at work. Terms are such as any county president can meet if she makes the proper effort.

Rockfield, Carroll County, had a visit from the Superintendent of Organization and was persuaded to take up the work where they had lain it down and go on again. Mrs. Allie Anderson organized this Union and evidently gave it a good start with fourteen or fifteen members. Five dollars was paid in; seven name secured for the *Message*. The Constitution had been read and adopted; minutes well kept and nothing in the way except hard times, and the turning back of several who had given their

names. Why, there were some who turned back from following Christ. The Union will meet once a month. Appointed a Superintendent of Flower Work, Mrs. C. E. Hildebrand, and a Superintendent of Literature and W. T. P. agent, Mrs. Bessie Van Gundy. They sent a letter signed by the president and secretary at once to Chicago, asking for the letter of instructions and the stickers. Mrs. Mullenore and Mrs. Gregg, the President and Secretary will at once hold a medal contest and expect to pay some dues in June.

When the Superintendent visited Star City, the Union did a bit of uncommon advertising to get the people out to their evening meeting. They called on every business man in the town and asked him to close up his place and attend the meeting. Every business house included the two saloons and the billiard room. Every one closed and came out, and the church was well filled. Excellent music had been prepared and every one knows how much good music adds to the occasion. Three honoraries were secured and two working members. And the Union will send a club to the *Message* and at least one *Union Signal*. Took up three departments of work: Literature, Mrs. Mary Blue; Flower Mission, Mrs. Emma Frain; Medal, Mrs. Dora Watson. A class of six girls were secured and their pieces selected. We think you will all hear from Star City in good work abundant.

At Winnemac we met the Legion and organized a medal class. The Union there is no more. We believe however, that there is leaven enough to give us one later on.

North Judson is alive, active and growing. The U. B. minister and wife are with them in spirit and effort, very unlike Winnemac where one sister said we can't have a Union until we have a change of ministers.

South Bend has three Unions and they are active in several lines of work.

Kosciusko County Convention at Pierceton, was poorly attended. However, the county is surely building slowly and perhaps that indicates well.

I met the president of the Warsaw Union who is interested and has excellent plans, with judgment and tact to carry them out. At Pierceton they have as faithful a little band as ever wore white ribbon. When the smoke of battle clears away you will find them at their posts.

I had the pleasure of spending a night with Mrs. Julia Overman, County Secretary and Local Supt of L. T. L. for her city. They have four legions now, one colored one among the factory homes. In the county they have seven Legions.

Visited Amboy, here the Union is well advised but small.

Bunker Hill has a new Y from Mrs. Cammack's seed-sowing. Already they had the courage to entertain the County Convention. They have vice-presidents in the four churches and literature, medal, purity, press and the flower mission departments.

Pulaski Convention, at Francesville, May 12th. An excellent program. Large audience. Refreshments served in the home of the county president at the close of the evening meeting, and \$14.45 secured for the treasury. Invited to meet in Medaryville in the fall and Mrs. McWhirter desired to be present.

### WHITLEY COUNTY.

The semi-annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. of Whitley County held at Churubusco April 14th and 15th was a success. Programs for Wednesday night was composed of songs, recitations and speeches. Thursday morning we followed program for institute work all day, at night we were entertained by Mrs. Emma A. Cramner. She gave her lecture, "The Evolution of Woman." Then consented to remain with us another night, giving her lecture "Christian Citizenship." They were both fine. Everybody liked to hear her. Any Union large or small cannot help being benefited by such a speaker as she.

Yours in the work,  
MRS. NINA SQUIRES.

### CLINTON COUNTY.

The semi-annual Convention and Normal Institute of the Clinton County W. C. T. U. was held at Frankfort, May 6 and 7.

The hall was beautifully decorated with potted plants, banners, portraits, etc. Framed portraits of Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. Balch stood on easels in prominent positions. Miss Hadley and Mrs. Balch were both with us.

Our Conventions never seem quite complete without the presence of the dear sister whom we have loaned to the State, so we always try to have her.

Mrs. Boyer presided with her usual dignity and ease.

Five out of the six Unions in the county were represented all showing excellent reports. Sedalia Union is only a very few months old, but its numbers work like veterans. Corresponding secretary's report was quite encouraging, but here as elsewhere the great need is more thorough organization. One new Union and one reorganized, two hundred and one members in the county. Treasurer reported good balance in treasury. Superintendents' reports showed a decided advance in most lines of work.

Well written papers, vocal solos by Mrs. Nora Coulter and little Queen Maxwell and fine recitations by Gracie Osterday and Mrs. Emma Sayler added much to the interest. The L. T. L. is in splendid condition. Their exercises, consisting of songs, recitations, etc., were received with great enthusiasm.

Miss Hadley was made chairman of the Institute and the program as published closely followed. The first thing taken up was the six essentials of a Live Successful Union. After thorough discussion led by Mrs. Balch, it was decided that the six essentials are: 1. Consecration. 2. A prepared program. 3. Advertise well. 4. Careful well kept records. 5. A strict use of parliamentary law. 6. Be "up to date." Some of the greatest hindrances were thought to be, want of courage and lack of faith in desired results.

Mr. E. H. Staley, formerly editor of one of our city dailies and a teacher of many years' experience, was present throughout the Convention. He reported in detail all the proceedings for one of the daily papers, also joined the Union as an honorary member.

The Convention voted to furnish each of three newspapers with yearly subscriptions to both *Union Signal* and *MESSAGE*. Also endorsed plans for stirring campaign, life membership, department fund and "Nothing impossible for Indiana." Mrs. Harriet Steckle of Mulberry, prepared and served a fine salad, which seemed to put everybody in a good humor. It was good—but not to eat.

Miss Hadley's lecture, "The relation of the Church to the Saloon," pleased all who heard it. On the second evening, a medal contest, with an unusually fine musical and literary program, was the attraction. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Emma Sayler and second prize to Miss Georgia Wines.

MRS. FLORENCE E. VANCE,  
Press Supt.

### NOTES.

Sixty-seven counties have W. T. P. A. agents.

Whitley County is the only one whose every Union has a W. T. P. A. agent.

Thirty-one counties held Conventions and institutes in April and May.

Mrs. Lucy Thurman, Michigan Superintendent of the Colored People's work for the National, will visit Indiana the first and second week in September. Towns wishing this work for their colored population should write the secretary of the Bureau at once for dates. Mrs. Thurman's terms are entertainment, expenses and a collection.

To avoid debt it is absolutely necessary to have one hundred orders for record books before we can get them printed. Those who ordered early are kept waiting by those who are slow to order.

Order your receipt and order books from Mary E. Balch, (new number) 1112 Central Ave., Indianapolis. Price, 10 cents each.

Try the word contests and help Winona and Acton Park Assembly Unions.

One hundred and seven contestants have sent in a two cent stamp where are the other 3999 more or less, who wear medals. Get five new members and receive a copy of the "Do Every thing Policy" Double your membership and receive a free lecture from the Central Committee, or they will decide who will give the lecture.

When every member of your Union takes a copy of *THE MESSAGE*, you are entitled to a copy of the *Union Signal* for a year free. Write the State Treasurer to whom the paper shall be sent.

Every Union must give attention to this. I want the name and address of each Union's president and secretary. If you sign the quarterly blanks as you should I will have them.

Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack recently spent a week in Morgan County and left genuine enthusiasm behind her.



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## ATTENTION.

This is the last call through the MESSAGE, for the L. T. L. Convention. Before another issue reaches you the third annual meeting of the Legioners of Indiana will have passed. The success of this meeting depends largely upon you. O, sisters lend your influence in this great cause for the young and "come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty evil."

If you cannot be present in person let us feel your prayers. We want all L. T. L. leaders and all graduates to be sure to make an effort to attend.

Marion, July 8th and 9th.

We will be disappointed in not having Miss Wintinger with us, but Mrs. McWhirter will fill the place very creditably.

AMANDA R. GORDON.

## TRUANT OFFICERS.

Before our compulsory education law goes into effect this Fall, every county in Indiana will have TRUANT OFFICERS appointed. Let every white ribboner who reads these lines consider the advantages of having women appointed to fill these places. Women are the proper persons to do such visiting of parents as will be necessary, influencing children, etc. Mother-hearted women will be needed. The County Supt's of schools and City Supt's of schools will have much of the appointing power. See these immediately—before to-morrow if possible—and get them to pledge their consideration or favor of women. The Local Council of Women of Indianapolis is largely responsible for this law. All women's clubs should urge the appointment of women. Urge it now.

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES.

The Central Committee decided that any person obtaining five new members to her Union and sending the Treasurer's receipt for the dues for each, should be given a copy of Frances Willard's "Do Everything." The names will be put on an honor roll on first page of the MESSAGE. Send me your names and treasurer's receipts. Who will be first?

Send in an account of the work done in your Union that the readers of the MESSAGE may be encouraged. Don't wait, send it in now, it will then come out in August issue.

Mrs. Clara Hoffman, President of Missouri W. C. T. U., will lecture at Winona the evening of July 20th, (W. C. T. U. day), and at Acton Park, the evening of July 21st. Every Christian man and woman should hear the woman whom English audiences greet with great enthusiasm.

Has your Union paid dues for as many members as it had at this time last year? You don't know—you no doubt want to visit the Treasurer any way so please spend an afternoon with her next week and find out how many members have paid dues. When a sister cannot pay her dues don't fail to make her feel your need of her efforts and prayers. We need women more than money.

Do you sometimes get discouraged? If so, consider that Indiana is a pivotol State politically—few county papers in the whole State give us favorable mention. The subject of temperance if agitated would greatly injure either of the great political parties, so all must be silence. The ministers are frequently forced to silence. The young people's church societies have little encouragement to discuss the temperance question. Much work is therefore left for the W. C. T. U. to do, we cannot do it all, but let us take advantage of every opportunity and do all that we can.

No State can boast of a better corps of State Superintendents than Indiana. With appreciation and pride I have written to our loved leader, Miss Willard, and other National Officers telling them of our very efficient State Supt's. They have worked faithfully and well, if their reports to the National for this year do not indicate much work being done in Indiana, it will be on account of the

failure of the local Unions to send their reports. If you are a Supt of a Department in a Union, you have a work "that no other can do"; as you value this work be faithful, be prompt.

## PROGRAM

Of Indiana W. C. T. U. Assembly to be held at Acton Park, July 21st, 22nd, 23rd.

JULY 21, CHILDREN'S DAY.

10:00—Praise Service, led by Mrs. Jennie Bates, Martinsville.

11:00—Roll call of Assembly Union. Introduction of visitors.

11:00—Miscellaneous.

12:00—Noontide Prayer.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Grand March.

[Sunday-schools, Epworth Leagues, Christian Endeavor Societies, Bands of Mercy, and the children generally are invited to join in the march carrying flags or banners.]

2:00—Special Program. Music, songs and recitations by the children. Special program for children in charge of Miss Kate D. Price, Supt Marion Co. L. T. L. (old) 52 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.

EVENING.

8:00—Devotional Services, Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President, Indiana W. C. T. U.

8:15—Address, Mrs. Clara Hoffman, State President Missouri W. C. T. U. and National W. C. T. U. Recording Secretary.

JULY 22, CONTEST.

8:00—Praise Service, led by Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, Marion, Rec. Sec'y Indiana W. C. T. U.

10:00—Department Drill.

State Superintendents will be present and give entertaining and instructive ten minute addresses concerning their special fields.

11:50—Miscellaneous.

12:00—Noontide Prayer.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Devotional service led by Mrs. M. A. Colton, Franklin, Music.

2:30—Contest for W. C. T. U. Gold Medal by a class of boys wearing silver medals, in charge of State Superintendent.

8:00—The Matron's Medal Contest.

Baby Squires, the child prodigy, will entertain the audience while the judges are out. Report of judges.

JULY 23.

9:00—Promise Meeting, led by Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.

9:45—Department Drill.

11:00—Introduction of fraternal delegates and their messages to us.

11:50—Miscellaneous.

12:00—Noontide Prayer.

AFTERNOON.

2:00—Devotional service, led by Mrs. Carrie F. Woodard, Columbus.

2:15—Enforcement of Law.

2:45—Temperance Organization Necessary.

3:15—Recitation, Miss Erma Croft.

Election of Officers.

EVENING.

8:00—Devotional services led by Mrs. Lizzie Dunlap, Franklin.

8:15—Address, "The Saloon Keeper's Ledger," Mrs. Mattie O. Commack, Marion.

Miss Addie A. Austin, of the W. T. P. A. is expected on the ground with full assortment of books, cards, pins and literature in general.

Cottage No. 3 and 4, Railroad Avenue, W. C. T. U. Headquarters for the accomodation of white ribbon women.

The Acton Camp Board has graciously given the use of a cottage to the W. C. T. U. which will be used for Headquarters.

All white ribboners are invited to bring their lunches, etc., and be at home there during the W. C. T. U. Institute. No meals will be furnished. The following furnishings are much needed: Carpets, matting, rugs, cots, mattresses, tables, chairs, wash stand sets, curtains, lamps, pillows, comforts, sheets, spreads, towels, soap, dishes, table linen, etc. Let all who can make donations to the cottage send to W. C. T. U. cottage, care of Mrs. W. V. Wheeler, Acton Park, Ind.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

The wife of the Governor of North Carolina has recently joined the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and has tendered the ball-room of the Executive Mansion to the ladies of Raleigh for Christian work. The local Union is planning a parlor meeting to be held there soon. Mrs. Upham, wife of the ex-Governor of Wisconsin, is a white ribboner and holds the office of National Superintendent of the work among lumberman. Mrs. Governor Richards of Wyoming is also an active worker in Woman's Christian Temperance Union circles.

Mr. George V. Foreman, President of the Fidelity Trust and Guarantee Company, has consented to act as Treasurer for the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Buffalo. Seats for the session are already in demand. One thousand of these will be reserved and sold at \$1 apiece. Mr. Ainsworth, of Ainsworth Bill fame, will deliver an address on Scientific Temperance on the evening set apart for that important matter. A three days' conference on Purity will precede the Convention under charge of Dr. Mary Wood Allen. Dr. and Mrs. Kellogg of Battle Creek, Mich., and Anthony Comstock of New York will assist in the conference. The new Convention stationery is adorned with a buffalo's head and the motto, "Onward to victory." A large Music Hall, not yet completed, will probably house the Convention. Professor Joseph Mischka will drill the choruses. He is organist of the Delaware Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, and one the finest organists in the State. Buffalo women are undertaking a great thing, but will not falter; they are used to taking care of large assemblages and have no misgivings whatever as to their ability to make the Convention a success.

Miss Frances E. Willard is spending a few weeks in Atlantic City N. J., and hopes to avail herself of the fine opportunity for cycling while there. Her great improvement in health is an encouragement to her many friends. A just recognition of this noted woman will be given by a bust to be placed in Northwestern University, Evanston, of which she was at one time Dean. Lorado Taft will execute the work, which is a gift of Mr. J. C. Shaffer, a young business man of Chicago.

Everyone interested in the work being done by women in the United States, whether she be a member of the W. C. T. U. or of any other large organization of women, will be glad to hear that Harper's Bazar has recently opened a department which covers frequently two pages, devoted entirely to the interests and work of women's clubs. The opening of this new department is only another sign that the extensive work of women has at last made such an impression upon the general public that the great journals of the country are beginning to devote extensive space to it. The Bazar issues this department every week, giving notice of meetings, Unions, conferences, of work done at these conferences, and plans of yearly work in special fields. The problems that are set before the W. C. T. U. are to be considered, as well as those that are before other societies, and it appears to be the endeavor of the editor of this department to give as general review each week as possible. A recent number contained a somewhat lengthy notice of the biennial Convention of the World's W. C. T. U. mentioning the distinguished visitors who expected to be present and advanced plans of the Convention.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### PARLOR MEETINGS.

We have no State Superintendent but some unions do hold parlor meetings and we want to report such to the National Superintendent and please answer the following questions and send report to State Cor. Secretary:

- How many parlor meetings have you held from Sept. 1st, 1896, to Sept. 1st, 1897?
- How are they conducted?
- What has been the growth of public sentiment induced by these meetings?
- How many members did you gain?
- How many Honorary members did you gain?
- Are you forwarding the work by frequently holding these meetings?
- If money was raised state the amount.

### WORK AMONG THE MINERS.

I desire the following questions answered by the Superintendent of work among miners:

- Name of mining Company or Shaft.
- How many miners are employed?
- How many homes visited?
- How many visits made this year?
- How many of the men, women and children are Christians?
- How many conversions this year?
- How many miner's wives are members of the W. C. T. U.
- How many miners and their children in Sunday School?
- Have you a Mercy Band?
- Have you a night school?
- How many Bibles have been distributed?
- How many pages of literature distributed?
- How many religious meetings held?
- How many saloons are in reach of your men?
- Keep an account of all visits made, number of pages literature distributed, number of conversions among the men and families. In fact all the items of interest, and send to me so a correct report can be made to the National Superintendent.

Ellen K. Denny,  
State Supt.

### JAIL AND PRISON.

There never was a time that there was such a need of active work in the jail and prison as the present. Through this department of work in the W. C. T. U. the nation has been aroused to the necessity of prison reform. The cry of the Soul is being heard and men realize to save a man, his Soul must be cared for. This department is for that purpose. Every county should have a superintendent whose business it should be to conduct or see that a Gospel service is conducted once a week in the jail, furnish papers and books for the inmates, circulate the total abstinence pledge cards at every meeting. I should like an answer to the following questions from every Supt. in the State.

- What use have you made of the press in the interest of this department?
- Have you secured the assistance of pastors and other Christian workers?
- Are you visits kindly received by officials?
- Have you used pledges if so how many signatures have you obtained?
- Have you provided a library?
- Have you found men, women and children in the corridors or halls.
- If so have you made the fact public through the

press and reported the same to State Board of Charities?

- Do you hold service in the jail on the Sabbath?
- Do you correspond with the men sent from your County to the penitentiary?
- Do you assist the discharged prisoner on his return to your County from the prison?

Ellen K. Denny,  
State Supt.

### FAIRS.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:—Do you realize the season for Fairs is almost at hand? If your plans are not all made do not delay, commence at once, not forgetting the most important part of our work is in distribution of temperance literature.

Let there be of temperance papers no stint. Notably the "Union Signal," and our State paper for women, the "Patriot Phalanx" for men. Have a large supply of any state temperance papers.

In addition, have plenty of agricultural papers. There are several of these last, that issue a large extra addition every year for gratuitous distribution at fairs. Get a catalogue from the National Temperance Publishing Society in time to make selections from their list for your orders. Send to the W. T. P. A. office for the leaflets issued by it, especially those that are of a practical value in carrying on W. C. T. U. work.

You will then have a full line of literature with which to reach all classes. If it is done in connection with a dining hall, or refreshment stand it can be given from the cash counter but not by the cashier. Some one who is quick to discern character, or who is well acquainted with the people. In every case let there be sufficient force to relieve those in charge of this work often enough to save them from being so weary that the pleasant smile, and courteous words that are necessary accompaniments to it are no longer possible.

Booths should be made as attractive, and gay as possible. Many coming from farms, and smaller towns, will bring lunch with them, invite these into your booths to eat and rest, while they are doing this give them thoughts that will bear fruit in their lives. St. Paul says "I am made all to men that I might by all save some."

Let the amount taken in dollars and cents be a secondary consideration. But let our strongest work, and highest aim be done for the blessing of human misery, and the redeeming of our fair land from the loathsome curse of intemperance and sensualism. And my dear co-workers, what ever you do report to me, we have been so far behind in reports from this department yet I know much work has been done. I want you all to have credit for your work this year and you will have it if you report to me promptly.

In faithful service,  
Ada B. Leck, State Supt. of Fairs.  
Cor. Capital Ave. and 18th.

### WORK AMONG THE COLORED PEOPLE.

A colored sister writes: "There is a white union here but if they have done any work among the colored people in the four years I have been here I do not know it. I am not condemning them at all" and goes on to ask for plans, etc., to help the people or overcome the evil effects of the saloon. A faithful county president writes me, enclosing a letter from a young colored woman who did not know of a state supt. of this department, who says: "The moral condition of the colored people in this city is, indeed, deplorable. Intemperance and immorality in every form, are seen on every hand. A very few young women of us are aroused to the terrible condition of things and are anxious to do any little that may be in our power to save, at least, some of the younger class. We know not what is best to do nor how to proceed," etc. A young colored teacher writes, "We are having scientific temperance twice a week, have had a few temperance stories and songs. I hope to carry this work much further." Mrs. Reynolds, supt. of this dept. for Marion Co., held a very successful contest the evening of May 21st this city. Mrs. Disette, her assistant, in April, organized a colored union in Irvington with ten members. They now have seventeen active paying members and hold regular meetings which Mrs. Disette attends with them. They have held a public meeting and attended Mrs. Reynolds contest in a body. The sight of their happy faces and white ribbons caused us to thank God and take courage. Mrs. Horn, local supt. in Meridian union, with her assistants, Mrs. Mathews and Mrs. Brand have, shown their faith by attending meetings in colored churches explaining different phases of our work and securing many pledges.

Mrs. Wright of Greensburg writes cheering news of one contest held, another forming to go into the country and speak. also of a Sabbath afternoon meeting in a church with a number of signatures to the pledge, they expect to have Mrs. Thurman when she comes. Marian, Grant Co. has a colored L. T. L. working and hoping to help give the glad welcome to Mrs. Thurman when she visits them. Other counties have colored women attend their local meetings and County Conventions. Sisters get ready now for Mrs. Thurman. She rests July and part or all of August, so will be with us the first weeks September. See Mrs. Balch's mention of her terms, etc. She will be a blessing to us all. I ask however that you will plan to give the colored people the preference in fixing dates and places of meetings. They, as well as we, are proud of our National supt. of this department. Help them to make this their glad day.

Next year when we put into the hands of colored teachers, ministers and others, copies of our state minutes to enable them to learn more of our principles and plans of work we shall want to show them a record of work done among their own people which will make them feel that this is their cause as well as ours. Will you not, therefore, please keep a record of your work, be it ever so small or ever so great and send to me by the middle of September? Write sooner, if you can, that I may know what is being done. I may not have space in the Message again so please do not fail to report. Many are helped by hearing of work done by others. Let them hear from you. M. E. Sims.

34th and Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### RECORD BOOKS.

At this date, June 30th, I have just fifty-five orders. I counted them. Fourteen of the 55 have sent their money and they are not waiting gladly now for their books, needing them as badly as they do, and as every Union does. But what can I do. I could return their money but they can't buy the book elsewhere. Why don't I send the books? I have none and can get none prepared for our use until I receive 100 orders.

Will not county and local officers attend to this at once and have the Unions order? Do not send money until you receive the book and then send at once. Thirty cents for local and 50 cents for county books. Dear co-workers against rum and ruin, give attention to this important call and let us finish this piece of work and get at something else. Any member in the Union can attend to this and speak of it in the first meeting of the Union.

MARY E. BALCH.

A hint for making the W. C. T. U. a popular organization in the community may be found in an account of the "third annual white ribbon banquet" given by the Union at Waukegan, Ill. Two hundred plates were provided and all taken. The church parlors were beautifully decorated and the flowers on the tables were carnations and sweet-peas. One of the pastors read an original poem, another made a felicitous address. Good music and toasts completed an enjoyable evening. This annual gathering makes good friends and sentiment for the organization.

W. C. T. U. summer schools are now well in hand. From five days to two weeks are given in nearly all Chautauquas and camp meetings for temperance teachings. A conference of five days at Chautauqua, N. Y. closes August 4th, with an all-day platform meeting, Miss Frances E. Willard and Mrs. Margaret D. Ellis of Newark N. J., Superintendent of Legislation, being the principal speakers. Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, National Corresponding Secretary, has charge of the entire conference. Mrs. Ella A. Boole, of Staten Island, and Mrs. Frances W. Graham of Lockport, N. Y. (the singing evangelist) are to assist on the program at Cuba, N. Y. temperance camp meetings. The W. C. T. U. school of methods at Tully Lake, N. Y. August 11th. to 18th. is in charge of Mrs. Helen L. Bultock of Elmira, N. Y. assisted by Mrs. Bertha Morris Smith. Mountain Lake Park, Md., has for many years had W. C. T. U. conferences, this year they are in charge of Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow, president of West Virginia and covers dates from July 24th. to 28th. Bay View, Mich. as for many years past will be in charge of Mrs. Louisa S. Rounds assisted by Miss Helen L. Hood, who has recently returned from England. W. C. T. U. days at Ocean Grove are July 6th, and 9th, and Mrs. Emma Bourne, President of New Jersey is in charge. Kentucky Chautauqua at Lexington is led temperance day by Mrs. Helen M. Barker, National Treasurer. Every state has its quota besides those mentioned.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



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Bloomington, Parke County.

### ADMISSION OF GIRLS TO OUR INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The rule as to age is from 6 years to 12. Do not apply for any not coming under this rule. When you wish to make application please send at once to the President of the Board, Mrs. Frances Potter, 834 N. East St., (new number), Indianapolis, for admission blank, and it will give its own direction. If our friends will consider the above they will save themselves disappointment and unnecessary trouble.

### HADLEY NOTES.

The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees has recently made a visit to the Hadley School. She writes: "Everything is moving smoothly. Milking nine cows, have three hundred and fifty chickens, a very fine garden and nearly a thousand sweet potato plants out. The family is in good health."

Possibly the Marion County Horticultural Society will visit the School soon in August. If we are so favored we desire to have as many of the friends as can do so meet them and spend the day on the farm. If arrangements can be made notices will be given in the city papers, also in county papers and every one who is interested in the School may consider this an invitation.

### A CALL TO PRAYER.

We ask that each and every Union, after receiving this MESSAGE, shall make their next meeting one of special prayer for our work and the workers:

#### PROGRAM.

Singing, page 42, White Ribbon Hymnal, or No. 165 Gospel Hymns.  
Prayer by the officers of the Union.  
Singing, page 41, White Ribbon Hymnal, or No. 85, Gospel Hymns.  
Prayer by the Superintendents.  
Singing, page 1, White Ribbon Hymnal, or No. 72, Gospel Hymns.  
Read the 9th chapter of Jeremiah. Comments.  
Singing, page 94, White Ribbon Hymnal, or No. 232, Gospel Hymns.  
Read 2nd chapter of 1st Peter.  
Prayer by the members of the Union.  
Singing, Page 115, White Ribbon Hymnal, or No. 114, Gospel Hymns.

Join hands and sing this hymn standing and leave the room after a moments silent prayer. May God lead these services, tender the hearts, quicken the mind and frame the speech for His own glory and the good of our State organization.

LUELLA McWHIRTER, President,  
MARY E. BALCH, Secretary,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

### VALLEY MILLS.

The elocutionary entertainment given by "Baby" Squires at the Friend's Church, June 5th, was only fairly well attended; but those present were more than pleased with the talent shown by the little four-year-old.

The pieces recited were those that are usually given by older children, yet they were given in a manner that would have been complimentary to the most talented elocutionist with years of training.

In boy's costume she recited Orphan Billie, also, gave the part of a bad boy with his mother at the museum, both afforded great amusement. While

giving the pantomime, "Rock of Ages", the audience seemed spell-bound, not the slightest sound could be detected in the room and all eyes were directed to her as she passed through the verses of that beautiful song. Enough cannot be said in her praise, before the audience had dispersed the question was raised, "Could we get her again?"

Mrs. Squires, the mother, also gave two recitations of much merit and won the favor of the entire audience.

She is at present engaged in the W. C. T. U. contest work in Morgan County and is meeting with great success. Speed the day when we may claim her in that work in Marion County.

(Baby Squires and her mother visits Acton Park W. C. T. U. days, July 21st, 22nd, 23rd.—Ed.)

### STIRRING CAMPAIGN.

Proceeds of contests in this campaign must be sent to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Ambia, Amboy, Alexandria, Moore's Hill, Loogootee, Morgantown, South Wabash, Martinsville, Brooklyn, Tarlton and Central Unions of Indianapolis, have already reported. Loogootee sends \$12.80, the largest amount received from any one contest.

Brooklyn wrote in particular of Mrs. Squires' services and of the contest as being their best.

The following is an extract from a letter to Mrs. McWhirter:

Pulaski County Sunday-school convention has just been held here at Francesville in the opera house, which is very large, it has been crowded at every meeting for three days.

I wanted to do something for the W. C. T. U. during the convention and tried to get our Union to have a delegate to represent us and our principles. This they failed to do so I appointed myself.

I interviewed the County President of Sunday-school work also the State workers present and asked for a place on the program which was granted.

Our women were a little cautious fearing I would be too radical. When my time came to speak the house was packed. I saw before me many Christians who opposed our work. Now was my time. I was aroused. What I said I scarcely knew. I forgot myself and the objectors. I tried to show the teachers and all workers the need of more temperance literature and more effective temperance work in the Sunday-school.

God be praised for the strength He gave me, before I was through many eyes were filled with tears. A good woman near me who would not even attend our Mother's Meetings wept like a child.

After the meeting, two ministers came to me and said they wanted to wear the emblem of white and be members of their home Union; one was very young. God bless our boy preachers they are getting out on high ground and clinging closely to our Savior. A Mr. M— arose in the convention and invited me to go to Pulaski and organize a Union. I am going. Star City Union will go in a body and help me. They will hold a contest. Do pray for me.

ALLIE ANDERSON.

Meetings of intense interest and large numbers have been held in many Texas cities, welcoming Mrs. Charlton Edholm's return to the Lone Star State 120 new members have already come into the white ribbon army. One of the most encouraging signs of the times is the deep interest the ministers of all denominations exhibit in this purity work, hundreds of pulpits being placed at the disposal of the W. C. T. U. and the Florence Critterton Missions. In several places every minister in the city has attended the evangelistic addresses and have given earnest words of God-speed to the work. Secretary Waite has invited Mrs. Edholm to present the Florence Critterton Mission work at the State Y. M. C. A. Convention in San Antonio and then she will visit the great International Convention at Mobile, Alabama.

Our National W. C. T. U. received hearty invitations from Buffalo to hold the next Annual Convention there. Not only from the Central Union, but from the churches and other organizations of Buffalo, the Mayor, City Council and from Governor Black of the great State of New York.

Great progress has been made during the past year by the British Women's Temperance Association. The annual convention recently held was very largely attended. Our Vice Pres. at large, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, Pres. of Maine was in attendance, a brilliant reception was given in her honor.

From several places our women are planning to attend the World's Convention at Toronto October 23-26 which will be immediately followed by our National Convention at Buffalo N. Y. Oct. 29 to Nov. 8. If possible arrange to go. Rent of rooms will be cheap and we can take lunch with us.

Full statistics concerning cigarette laws and the quantity of tobacco and cigarettes used in this country during the past year are being compiled by Mrs. E. B. Ingalls of St. Louis, Superintendent of narcotics for the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Ingalls has just been appointed a member of the state board of Charities and Corrections. This is a new departure for Missouri, as the Board was created by the last Legislature. The appointment is a well merited recognition of Mrs. Ingalls' ability, and a tribute to the society to which she gives her time and talents.

Mrs. E. C. Shupp, Fremont, reports their County Convention for June 9th and 10th. Mrs. Vella Lewis, Angola, so long the very efficient and faithful County President, because of ill health resigned. The County did not put any one in her place but each will try to fill the gap and pray and wait for her recovery to once again resume her leadership. Mrs. Shupp thought a long term of service merited a rest and wanted to resign, but her co-workers could not consent, and Mrs. Shupp is still Corresponding Secretary of the County.

Morgan County has been very much favored in having Mrs. Ida L. Squires, of Martinsville, to superintend and drill her medal classes. The work has been full of merit aside from its helpfulness along reform lines. The record for the county for the last ten months is sixteen silver and one gold contest, with two gold arranged for July 3rd, at Bethany Park.

We can all begin to look for a word to the time when we shall come together to report the harvest of the year and plan for the next year's service. Ohio lends us her well beloved sister, one of their stars, Mrs. Trego—South Dakota although far away sends to us the eloquent Mrs. Emma Cranmer who took people by storm when she visited us last spring. Then our State on the East never allows any one to do better than Illinois and says we may have Miss Anna Downey in the interest of Christian Citizenship—Perhaps you look incredulous and hardly believe this—think it to good to be true—but unless some providence prevents it will be true.

Battle Ground is to resound to the clash of arms in the White Ribbon ranks. Unless a disappointment comes to us, Mrs. Clara Hoffman will lead the rank and file a very general to conquer. The camp meeting opens July 29th and closes Aug. 9th. Our W. C. T. U. days are Saturday July 31st, and Sunday August 1st. Now let all our people go on Saturday and remain until Monday morning. Keep the Sabbath and do all the possible good we can. Mrs. Josephine Bennett 108 N. 8th. st. La Fayette can give you W. C. T. U. information about this meeting. For board, cottages, etc. address A. Jones, Battle Ground, Ind.

One of our departments Christian Citizenship was left with the State Secretary. All the rest but one has been heard from in the columns of the Message and we hope that in no way has this sister felt herself excluded and we still hope to have her enter the wide open door.

Lake County President, Mrs. Abbie Frances B. Church, Crown Point, has been kept very busy in charge of the noon day prayer meetings in Willard Hall. Mrs. Henry has been there for a brief stay and Mrs. Church takes her place again and resumes its responsibilities and blessings. Mrs. S. M. I. Henry in her "Voice of the Home" made herself immortal and that is but a small part of her good deeds done.

Mulberry, Clinton County, sends in \$10 for the Stirring Campaign.

Unions may continue to send in proceeds of contests to be added to the sum total for the Stirring Campaign, after June 30th, but the State cannot award premiums to any reporting after that date. The printed plan stated the campaign closed June 30th.

Material for the MESSAGE can be used as early as the 20th of every month, but it should all be in by the 28th. If not it cannot be used and is to old for the next issue as a rule. Consider the size of the paper. Articles a column or half column long should be very rare and of special interest. Condense. When you have written your report and filled three or four pages, read and rewrite and get it on one or two.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### A DRILL ON OUR ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1896 FOR THE UNIONS.

Q.—Name our Resolution Committee for next year. (See page 59.)

Q.—What support was given to next State Convention by resolution—or was it made as a By-Law—and what has each local Union to do about it? (See page 42.)

Q.—What offered amendment to constitution in regard to who shall compose the Annual meeting, and what do you as a Union think about it? (See page 46.)

Q.—What was said about local, County and State Superintendents in regard to pushing their special lines of work? Has your Union tried the plan and recommendation? (See page 53.)

Close this drill by reading the resolutions and plan of work adopted. (Page 58 and 59.)

### MARION COUNTY AUTOGRAPH QUILT FOR THE STATE FAIR.

Unions who are not doing the needle work for their representative blocks, will please send names (plainly written) and money to Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 (new number) Capitol Ave., at your earliest possible convenience. Those who are doing their own work, kindly have ready, and send not later than the last of July. And bear in mind, 15 cents must be allowed for material of each block which is paid from your treasury.

For faithful service,  
ADA B. LECK.

1801 N. Capital Ave.

The West Indianapolis W. C. T. U. held a reception at the residence of Mrs. Eliza Copenhaver, 898 W. Morris St., on the evening of May 14th, in honor of the public school teachers of that part of the city. Our State President, Mrs. McWhirter, and State Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson, were present. Mrs. McWhirter gave a short speech showing the advantage the teachers have in the great work of the W. C. T. U. Copies of Mrs. Hunt's "School Physiology Journal" were distributed as souvenirs of the occasion. H. S. M.

### FLOWER MISSION DAY.

Mapleton and Broad Ripple Unions visited the Orphan's Home. A short program was much enjoyed.

Indianapolis Meridian Union went in large numbers to the Work House where they were cordially received.

Lawrence Union sent a money donation to the Door of Hope.

Indianapolis Central visited the Home of the Friendless and the Door of Hope.

Valparaiso Union put 135 bouquets in the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. dining hall of the great Normal college. A bouquet to which was attached a text-card tied with white ribbon placed beside each plate for somebody's boy and somebody's girl. More such work should be done in our schools and colleges.

Mrs. McWhirter's Junior Epworth League visited the City Hospital and the Colored Orphans' Home. Two hundred bouquets were distributed, gospel songs sung and Leaguers benefitted.

The Irvington Desette Union, (colored) composed of earnest, Christian women visited the Colored Orphans' Home, leaving many bouquets and doing much to cheer the children.

### OUR MESSAGE.

What about our paper? Well, it comes monthly. That is an objection. But our experience is a monthly paper is all we can pay for. Thirty-five cents single subscription and 25 cents in clubs of 12, would not pay for a weekly paper; it would take a subscription list of three or four thousand.

It has no literary merit? No, it only aims to be a medium of communication on business lines pertaining to our work.

You have no use for it? No, only those who are interested in the plans and methods of the departments, the field, the summer assemblies and the many things pertaining to our cause would have.

It is published in the interest of the work and workers and not the general public.

Our workers, with only an occasional exception, say they find it very helpful and exactly what it claims to be.

Each number bears more than one reading. They are invaluable to keep us in line and quicken to see and take hold of present duty.

Grant County is making a quilt. Marion County quilt is growing.

Hendricks County quilt will have several Hadleys on it we presume.

Warrick County Convention at Boonville, June 30th and July 1st.

West-side Union, Logansport, has organized an L. T. L. of 75 members.

Loogootee Union sent \$12.00 for Hadley School. Result of Stirring Campaign.

Rev. Mattie O. Cammack at this writing is filling a few dates in Howard County.

The Anderson Y quilt will be a work of art. Girls always make things beautiful.

Much interest is manifested in Mother's Meetings in the Carthage Union. Fine indication.

A number of counties will begin work on the quilts as soon as the Stirring Campaign is over.

Benton County quilt will be beautiful. Don't fail to see it when you attend the State Fair.

Freelandville in their Stirring Campaign contest cleared \$10, and took 72 signatures to the pledge.

Life Membership No. 2, Dubois County, Portersville, Mrs. M. E. Sherritt at the solicitation of Mrs. M. L. Hobbs.

Greensburg Union is constantly increasing its membership. Will it be the largest in the State at our next Convention?

Benton County Unions are well informed on W. C. T. U. work because they read the *Union Signal* and are taking the *MESSAGE*.

Bourbon Union has many subscribers to Mary Wood-Allen's "New Crusade." The Union is arousing the motherhood of the community to action.

Decatur County President says she thinks Miss Brehm lifted our work up in the minds of the church people as it has never been before. She and Mrs. Boole gave them a better opinion of the work.

Frankfort W. C. T. U. sends a copy of the *Signal* and *MESSAGE* to each of the city editors. They also bid fair to have the largest club for the *MESSAGE* of any Union in the State. A large increase of membership is reported.

Mrs. Retta Jones, the ever wide-awake County President of Madison County, is inciting the Presbyterian Church to run an excursion to Winona on W. C. T. U. day. Why not some one else go and do likewise for any one, or all, of our summer assemblies.

Henryville, Clark County, through the M. E. minister, calls for a W. C. T. Union, and Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Jeffersonville, Superintendent of the State Department of Systematic Giving, has been called by the County President, Mrs. Sharp, of Charlestown, to organize them.

Under the brave leadership of Miss Eliza Baker, the W. C. T. U. of Benton County has made much progress, the county executive is a competent body of influential, earnest women who plan broadly for the work. Stirring Campaign and Autograph Quilt plans adopted. Life membership will be urged.

Sedalia Union is testing the Nicholson law in remonstrating against saloons coming there. The Press Reporter writes, "We know the proper way to do, is vote them out, we will try, by using such law as we have, to demonstrate that is the only way." (None are so blind as those who will not see.—ED.)

Laporte, Lake and Porter counties held a joint convention at LaPorte, in May. The local papers gave excellent reports. Michigan City reported 43 conversions in the last six months in our northern prison, the result of our white ribbon sisters labors. No workers outside of these counties were present.

Monroe County held a two day's Convention and Institute at Bloomington. A very neat printed program helped to advertise the occasion and the County President writes very hopefully. The Corresponding Secretary, Miss Urnery, resigned and Mrs. M. E. Dodd, East Second St., Bloomington, was selected to fill the place.

Boswell *Enterprise* gives a column or more space weekly to the Benton County Press Superintendent who in co-operation with the Unions at Talbot,

Oxford and Otterbein and Boswell secures the W. C. T. U. news items and keeps the columns filled. Thus Benton County citizens are informed in regard W. C. T. U. work in their midst.

Mrs. Ida Mix, Press Reporter, wrote that Howard County Institute and Convention was one of the best ever held in the County. It met at Phlox, May 20th and 21st. We could not find room in the June *MESSAGE* for the well written report and now fresher news permits us to give only this brief mention of it. Home workers occupied the entire program.

Sedalia Union had an ice cream and strawberry festival June 19th. The net proceeds were \$12.81. Twelve dollars of it went to pay our attorney for helping us to get rid of our saloon. We also have a wall pocket in our depot well filled with literature. Miss Brehm's second visit to Sedalia was enjoyed even more than the first and she added to her circle of friends and admirers and won friends to the cause.

The President and Corresponding Secretary of Adams County paid a visit to Geneva and made house to house visits in the interest of a lost Union. The women at Geneva went to work, reorganized with eight members and in a little time increased to fifteen. Nine paid dues this quarter. This county and Allen held their Convention at Decatur and Geneva was well represented. The county voted to pay the \$1.00 membership fee.

Sullivan County convention, held at Sullivan, May 14th. Mrs. Bierhaus, Vincennes, and Miss Lodie E. Reed, Indianapolis, assisted the home workers. At 3.30 p. m. the children of the city schools were invited to listen to a lecture on "Bread and Beer," by Miss Reed. Evening program, "A Gold Contest;" Miss Mattie Shidler, Merom, won first prize; Willie Deboe, Sullivan, second. Mrs. Hattie M. Harper, the County President, has high ideals and labors to reach them.

A high compliment was paid to Alexandria Union by some one in writing up that city for "The Weekly Press," in the issue of April 9th. The article closed thus:

"Another interesting feature which may be mentioned in this connection is the lunch stand located just inside the factory gate, which has been profitably operated for some months past by the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The white ribbon ladies not only conduct a business which pays them, but it has proven a great convenience to the operatives while the management would be unwilling to have it removed."

Albion sends in good reports, writes the County Treasurer. Ligonier prays for the work and the State officers and hopes they in turn pray for the Unions. All Unions have the most earnest prayers of the State officers. It may be we do not pray enough, but such timely appeals must remind us to pray more, and the condition of the State over-run with licensed saloons, aimlessness and crime should stir us to fearless activity. Prayers and works. La Otto and Wawaka are still at work and Noble County ought to come high up on the roll. It is to be regretted that Kendallville and Rome City take a rest. They have the prayers and good wishes of all who know their helpfulness in the past. I wonder who mustered them out of service, who signed their discharge papers? Island Park will have W. C. T. U. representation of some kind this year. The workers have the matter in hand. The Superintendent of Summer Assemblies will be glad to receive a copy of the program.

Unions needing order or receipt books can get them of the State Secretary, 1112 Central Avenue, Indianapolis. 10 cents a copy.

Send to Mrs. Fannie Calkins, Portland, for copies of Indiana Anti-cigarette Law, at 10 cents per hundred. Furnish these to all the Sunday-schools. Wherever practical furnish copies for Sunday a. m. church service and to Endeavor and Epworth League Societies. Our Christian men will urge the enforcement of this law.

The lack of good music at a medal contest has been supplied by Mrs. Carmen in the happy thought of affording a chance to musicians to compete for a "musical medal." The selections may be instrumental or vocal; the contestants will be marked on time, execution and general effect. One medal has a silver lyre, the other a gold lyre set with rubies. Another aid to the interest taken in the medal work is the prize offered to the "second best" contestant. This is a year's subscription to the "American Home Magazine" presented by the publishers.



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## LETTER FROM NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

DEAREST SISTER:—If we wish the Prohibition Party to put Woman's Suffrage in its platform we must from this time on use our influence to have it do so in every county, district and State Convention. Anything short of this will leave the party unimpressed and uneducated, or on the other hand it will be educated by those who do not wish this to be done. Eternal vigilance will alone bring about the result for which we have so long prayed. I should recommend some such resolution as this:

*Resolved*, That we believe the ballot for women to be one of the surest methods of securing and maintaining prohibitory law, and for this reason we incorporate that principle in our platform and urge all conventions of the Prohibition Party to do the same.

*Resolved*, Also, that we believe the earnest and repeated request of the White Ribbon women should be heeded, that the party should be called Home Protective Party, to bring out the home and its protection as the central idea of the temperance movement.

Believe me yours ever sincerely,

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

The Temple, Chicago, June 21, 1897.

JUNEAN, ALASKA, JUNE 25, 1899.

DEAR MESSAGE:—On the 15th of May I said good-bye to all I hold dear in Hartford City and was soon whirled away to the great city of Chicago, where I spent a most delightful week, and where I for the first time had the pleasure of visiting the Temple. I was in the Willard Hall noon meeting three days and found them deeply spiritual meetings. One day the dear old saint, Amanda Smith was with us. What an atmosphere of inspiration, to mingle our voices together in praise to the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world." The days were all too quickly gone and I again must say good-bye to loved ones and on May 23rd, 11:30 p. m., we took the C. B. route for St. Paul. After waiting two hours at the above named place, we again start on our western trip over the "Great Northern" a magnificent route, full of interest from start to finish. We pass through the famous Lake Park region of Minnesota and Fergus Falls, crossing the Red River at Fargo, North Dakota. We continue west across North Dakota and Montana. At Galata mountain, 1038 miles from St. Paul, the first view of the Rockies is had, 115 miles from the summit. It is with feelings of awe we view the grim mountains with towering rocks and fields of snow while the railway track winds along like a snake over rivers and through tunnels. The trip over the Rockies and down into the flathead valley is an ever changing panorama of splendid views. We cross Idaho. The Washington state line is reached at Newport, there also is Albana Falls. Miles and miles of romantic ride, over canyons, gorges, rivers, through tunnels too, and over the Cascade mountains via the marvelous switchback. The interest of the traveler never flags all the way down the west side along dancing rivers, waterfalls, sky-piercing peaks and giant trees to the cities Snohomish and Everett, where the tide water in Puget Sound is reached and Seattle where the train meets ships for Alaska.

We were met at the station by Miss Cawley and Mrs. Samenson the latter the Co. Cor. Secretary, and were escorted to the church where County Convention was being held, introduced, greeted with the Chautauqua salute, made a little speech, was cheered and had a very pleasant time with those consecrated women.

On May 29th we sailed for Junean, Alaska. There are a variety of things to wonder, to admire and to ponder over. You can scarcely realize the fact that the waters you are sailing over are the salt waters of the Pacific Ocean, or that you are having the pleasure of a sea voyage without being obliged to wrestle with that much dreaded monster, sea sickness. Such was our experience, though in crossing Queen Charlotte Sound quite a number were sick for a few hours only. At Ft. Wrangle we stopped for two hours made a tour of the town, called on the minister, interviewed him with regard to temperance

work, but received little encouragement. Visited the totem poles which are made by cutting down good straight tree, dressing and carving them with figures of birds, Indians and other fantastic shapes. After they are finished they are raised on end before the owner's hut and great value attached to them.

After a very delightful sail of five days we reach Junean, said to be a very wicked city, but I have met a number of good Christian men and women and the utmost kindness from both pastor and people.

At my second visit to Douglass Island, about two or three miles across the channel, I organized a W. C. T. U. Have lectured once here and held one gospel temperance meeting also led one Christian Endeavor, when the topic was temperance. Thirty-one have signed the pledge. The work has been commenced. Hope to organize a Union soon. Just received a letter from Belle Kearney who is headed this way, for which we are very glad, thinking we may answer for a sort of John the Baptist.

Yours for the Master's work,

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

HARTFORD CITY, JULY 12, 1897.

DEAR MESSAGE:—Our Union feels much honored that our president was selected for a National worker in Alaska. She went away leaving us sorrowful and our prayers have followed her.

For many years she has unflinchingly labored in the cause of temperance and purity answering each call of duty with zeal and alacrity and when the National Committee called her to the broader field, she was prepared by her long service in all departments, to accept this new responsibility, and do the work given her in the best possible manner.

We shall be glad when she is safe at home, but regret that she cannot spend a year in that important field.

Yours in love,

L. D. ANDERSON,

Co. Press Supt.

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL, MAY, JUNE.

### RECEIPTS.

Dues.	Dues.
Delphi ..... \$ 1 50	Hope.....\$ 1 00
Flora ..... 3 00	Petersville ..... 1 50
Versailles ..... 4 00	Shoals ..... 3 50
Kewana ..... 5 36	Loogootee ..... 5 00
Medaryville ..... 3 50	Back Creek ..... 2 50
Dana ..... 5 00	Deer ..... 2 50
South Bend N. Side. 50	Oakridge ..... 1 50
" Central. 5 00	South Marion ... 1 50
" Colfax Ave. 1 00	Fairmount ..... 6 00
Charlestown ..... 3 00	Upland ..... 5 50
North Judson ..... 1 50	Jonesboro ..... 1 50
Beford ..... 1 25	Marion ..... 2 00
Rochester ..... 2 50	Van Buren ..... 3 00
Bunker Hill ..... 1 00	Muncie ..... 50
Newburg ..... 50	Albany ..... 1 00
Hammond ..... 2 00	Thorntown ..... 4 00
Crown Point ..... 5 50	Zionsville ..... 1 00
Frankfort ..... 10 00	Evansville Cent'l. 10 00
Mulberry ..... 2 50	" Lamasco 2 00
Sedalia ..... 1 50	" Alice Palmer 1 00
Jefferson ..... 1 00	Bloomington .... 2 50
Alton ..... 5 00	Harrodsburg ..... 8 00
Washington ..... 5 50	Mt. Vernon ..... 2 50
Anderson ..... 4 00	Cynthiana ..... 1 50
Anderson Y. .... 1 50	Valparaiso ..... 2 00
Alexandria ..... 2 50	Hebron ..... 2 00
Lapel ..... 1 00	Kokomo ..... 6 50
Elwood ..... 1 00	Greentown ..... 2 00
Boswell ..... 2 00	New London ..... 1 50
Talbot ..... 3 00	Phlox ..... 1 00
Otterbein ..... 2 00	South Wabash... 1 00
Columbus ..... 50	Wabash ..... 2 00
Lafayette ..... 9 00	Ind'pls Meridian. 8 00
Lafayette Central .. 50	" Wallace... 2 00
East Lafayette ..... 1 50	" South-east 3 00
Bluffton ..... 2 50	" Tarlton... 2 50
Ossian ..... 1 50	" North-east 50
Worthington ..... 2 00	" Central... 3 50
Plummer ..... 1 50	West Indianapolis 2 50

Martinsville ..... 8 00	Bridgeport ..... 3 00
Paragon ..... 4 00	Irvington ..... 1 00
Monrovia ..... 3 00	Valley Mills ..... 1 00
Brooklyn ..... 1 50	Dissette (Colored) 3 00
Mooreville ..... 2 00	Broad Ripple ..... 2 00
Martinsville Y ..... 2 00	Mary F. Thomas... 11 50
Grandview ..... 1 75	Richmond ..... 4 55
Liberty ..... 2 00	Webster ..... 1 50
Kendallville ..... 3 00	Centreville ..... 1 00
Albion ..... 1 50	Fountain City .... 2 00
LaOtto ..... 50	Economy ..... 1 50
Wawaka ..... 1 50	Greensfork ..... 3 00
Ligonier ..... 1 75	Auburn ..... 2 50
Hartford City ..... 4 50	Garrett ..... 50
Montpelier ..... 1 00	Elkhart ..... 4 00
Millgrove ..... 2 00	Bristol ..... 1 50
Pleasant Lake ..... 2 50	Nappanee ..... 1 50
Ray ..... 50	Goshen ..... 6 00
Greensboro ..... 1 50	Middlebury ..... 1 50
Spiceland ..... 2 50	Plainfield ..... 50
Carthage ..... 1 00	Millcreek ..... 2 50
Manilla ..... 4 50	Hadley ..... 50
Walnut Ridge ..... 50	Greenfield ..... 1 50
Michigan City ..... 3 50	Charlottesville... 50
LaPorte ..... 3 50	Fortville ..... 1 50
Westville ..... 1 00	Shelbyville ..... 5 00
Norristown ..... 1 50	Morristown ..... 5 00
Hillsboro ..... 2 00	East Logansport.. 1 00
Royal Center ..... 1 00	Star City ..... 2 50
Francesville ..... 1 00	Portland ..... 2 50
Red Key ..... 4 00	Dunkirk ..... 2 00
Bourbon ..... 2 37	Plymouth ..... 1 50
Argos ..... 1 50	Princeton ..... 2 00
Monon ..... 4 00	Burnettsville ..... 50
Sheridan ..... 50	Carmel ..... 2 50
Westfield ..... 3 50	Freelandville .... 6 00
Vincennes Y ..... 2 00	Covington ..... 50
West Lebanon ..... 2 50	Prairie Chaple ... 50
Cherubusco ..... 3 50	Columbia City .... 5 50
South Whitley ..... 3 00	Huntington ..... 1 00
Andrews ..... 2 00	Burkett ..... 2 00
Piercetown ..... 1 00	Etna Green ..... 50
Cash on hand April 1st.....\$ 77 49	
Stirring Campaign..... 99 25	
Fair Cottage Fund..... 1 00	
For Organization..... 25	
Life Membership, Frankfort Union, for Emma Saylor..... 15 00	
Message and Signal Fund..... 122 15	
Total receipts.....\$736 62	

### DISBURSEMENTS.

National dues ..... 84 00
50 per cent. Y dues ..... 2 20
President's appropriation ..... 25 00
Corresponding Secretary's salary ..... 125 00
President's Postage, third quarter..... 24 22
President's supplies and telegram..... 4 67
Recording Secretary postage and supplies . 2 61
Cor. Secretary postage..... 10 00
" Supplies ..... 5 00
Treasurer's expenses from Nov. 1, '96 to July 1, '97:
Expenses to Mid-year executive..... 1 50
Printing ..... 6 00
Postals and Envelops..... 8 45
Supplies ..... 2 20
Postage ..... 31 85
Floral offering for Josephine R. Nichols..... 3 00
L. T. L. appropriation..... 7 50
Y appropriation ..... 7 50
Organization, Mrs. Ella Boole ..... 28 60
" Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack..... 20 00
" Mrs. Mary E. Balch ..... 10 00
" Mrs. Allie Anderson ..... 16 50
Printing, Mrs. Mary E. Balch..... 5 75
Receipt Books..... 3 18
Flower Mission Sup't, Prison North ..... 5 00
Systematic Sup't, S. M. Shelt ..... 2 50
Vice-President's expenses to Mid-year meet. 4 15
Legislative work, Lizzie Hann ..... 1 00
Stirring Campaign Fund..... 65 00
Message expense to July 1st..... 95 46
Caroline F. Grow, Union Signals..... 36 20
Cash on hands July 1st ..... 92 28
Total disbursements .....\$736 62



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"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## FLOWER MISSION.

I see that very little Flower Mission work has been reported, and as our Loogootee Union has had an awakening and seems to be aroused to the importance of the work will tell you some things we have done. Before Flower Mission Day I distributed twenty-five copies of the Flower Mission number of *Union Signal*. The program for the June gospel temperance meeting consisted of readings explaining the work. A parlor meeting was held with a Flower Mission program.

We sent one hundred and eighty five bouquets tied with scripture verses, to the Southern reformatory at Jeffersonville. The Union there presented the flowers for us, and held three services at the reformatory on that day.

Every individual member does some work and reports each month to the local superintendent. A blank book for reports is taken to each meeting.

The reflex influence of this benevolent work is something remarkable. When one sees the pale faces of the poor and sick brighten as we come with a message of love, in the flowers and books we bring them. We can feel that the tiny offerings make some of God's creatures happy and we are better workers in the W. C. T. U. when each member feels that she can do something, and this is so easy and pleasant to do.

The Martin County *Tribune* published at Loogootee, allows the W. C. T. U. half a column in every issue of their paper. The editors of this paper are two young gentlemen.

Yours in the work,  
GEORGINA MOSER,  
Ass't State Sup't.

## EVANGELISTIC WORK.

DEAR SISTERS:—Trusting that you have kept a careful record of the Evangelistic work done during the year, I send the following questions that suitable report may be presented at our State Convention, and printed in our annual minutes:

Has your Union an Evangelistic Superintendent?  
How many Unions in your county have Evangelistic superintendents?

Have you received a copy of the National Superintendent's Hints and Helps?

How many copies have been sent out to the Unions?

Are you and your Unions growing in spirituality and using the helps thereto?

Have any Communion Circles been formed?

How many observe the Trysting Times?

Do you hold, in your Union, a weekly meeting for conference and prayer and temperance enthusiasm, and is this separate from the business meeting?

How many are pursuing the course of Bible Study, of the American Institute of Sacred Literature?

Has there been in your Union a revival of interest in Evangelistic work, and a renewed consecration and Bible study?

Have you had Bible-readings as suggested by the National Superintendent? With what result?

Did your last County Convention observe the hour from 11 to 12 a. m. as a season of devotion and Bible exposition?

Have you continued the campaign in the Churches?

How many Church services have been held under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.?

How many sermons preached by pastors? How many meetings addressed by women?

In how many were collections taken for the Union?

How many pages of Gospel Temperance literature have been distributed during the year?

How many Unions have inaugurated the system of Co-operative Evangelistic work, outlined in our Hints and Helps?

How many visits have been made by each Union?

Mention results, incidents, etc.

Have Gospel Missions or District Conferences been held?

How many, and with what results?

Have Crusade Bands been formed, and with what results?

How many Gospel Temperance meetings have been held?

How many in prisons, jails and penitentiaries?

How many in almshouses?

How many in halls?

How many in cottages?

How many mother's meetings?

How many in school houses?

How many on ships and in forts?

How many out-door services?

No. of conversions?

No. of Bible-readings?

No. of pages of literature distributed.

How many signatures to the pledge?

Has your Union held or participated in Evangelistic Conferences, Days of Prayer, Normal Institutes, or similar services? Give report of such.

Please report any Evangelistic Work done by your Union, not included in the above questions.

Please do not in any case give an indefinite answer to a question. For instance, it will not do to answer a question in such words as "some," "not many," "a few," etc. We must have figures. If you are not able to be exact, please give approximate figures. We are sure you will do all in your power to make these reports a success.

Will each County Superintendent secure answers to the questions from every local and county Union and send the SUMMARY ONLY to the State Superintendent? Will she also add a brief letter giving her outlook over her County, and report of personal work during the year?

Will the County Superintendents please give the above list of questions their prompt personal attention? Where there is no County Superintendent will the County President look after it?

Yours truly for good work and good reports,

ELLA J. DAVIS,  
State Sup't.

## IN THE FAR NORTH.

The Alaska Searchlight, published in Juneau, of date June 26th, has the following concerning Mrs. W. M. Stahl, of this city:

"Quite a large and appreciative audience listened to Mrs. Stahl's temperance lecture at Trinity church last evening. The exercises were opened with a scripture reading and prayer by Rev. J. H. Condit. Rev. Beers made an address of welcome and then introduced the lecturer. Mrs. Stahl was chosen district organizer for Alaska, at the national convention of the W. C. T. U. held at St. Louis last fall and it is upon this mission that she has come to Juneau. She is a pleasant and forcible speaker whose whole heart is in the work. Thursday afternoon she spoke at Douglas City and organized a society of temperance workers, some seventeen or eighteen in number. She will probably deliver another lecture here in the near future and organize a society, after which she will visit Sitka and Wrangle, then she will leave for Chicago on the Queen July 30th. On her return she will be accompanied by Mrs. E. C. Stahl, who will spend several months visiting friends at Deer Lodge, Mont., and in the east.

## STATE L. T. L. CONVENTION.

Convention was held at Marion.

Forty-one graduates in the State this year making over 150 in all. Frankfort with a graduating class of five took the prize banner last year. Dunkirk, with a class of 13 took it this year.

The new officers are: President, Fred Christman, Wabash; 1st Vice-President, Carl Cammack, Marion; 2nd Vice-President, Lottie Bruner, Argos; Cor. Sec., Lizzie Lenfesty, Marion; Rec. Sec., Fred Carter, Westfield; Treasurer, Ira Boyer, Frankfort.

Departments: Flower Mission, Mary Driver, Dunkirk; Literature, Frank Watson, Argos; Medal Work, Emma Weimer, Argos; Mercy, Georgia Wines, Frankfort; Narcotics, Jessie Straw, N. Manchester; Fred

Carter, Westfield, for his people (colored). The last two departments were added this year.

Mrs. Gordon presented a plan of study for the graduates which was adopted. Very excellent papers were read by Mrs. Emma Saylor, Frankfort, and Miss Clara Sears, Y Secretary, Anderson, on "Purity," Lottie Bruner, of Argos, on "Mercy," and one by Fred Carter, which was published in the "Phalanx." The Medal Contest, conducted by Julia Overman, of Marion, by a class of six, ages from six to eight, was very inspiring. Letheld Halm received the medal, Louise Marsh took second prize. The street parade was fine. The boys were in their glory shouting the yell in front of newspaper offices.

Chairmen of committees: Resolutions, Jessie Straw, North Manchester; Credentials, Jennie Saylor, Frankfort; Finance, Ina Boyer, Frankfort; Courtesies, Lizzie Lenfesty, Marion.

A telegram of greeting was received from New York L. T. L. in convention, signed by Miss Anna Gordon, World's Superintendent of L. T. L. Secretary instructed to answer by letter. The convention was held in Dr. Driver's church and he was a most cordial helper.

Mrs. McWhirter, our State President, gave a very spirited address 'mid all that burning heat. Miss Lizzie Lenfesty, of Marion, made the address of welcome, and Mrs. Balch gave the response. Visiting delegates were quite numerous and in comparison with like meetings in the past, very helpful, but the attendance from Marion small.

## RESOLUTIONS.

*Resolved*, That we recommend to the membership of the Unions of Crawford County, our State paper the MESSAGE, and our National paper the *Union Signal*.

That the Crawford County W. C. T. U. congratulates the members of the "Good Citizen's League" of Marengo, for their faithful work in endeavoring to enforce the "Nicholson Law" and urges every town in the county to organize for the enforcement of law.

That in the death of Mr. John S. Williams, one of Alton's most enthusiastic honorary members of the W. C. T. U. We have sustained a great loss but we remember that our loss is his gain. We tender kindly words of sympathy to his bereaved family.

The W. C. T. U. of Crawford County asks the ministers of the gospel and all Christian people to unite with them in a more active crusade against the liquor traffic the coming year.

That we thank the ladies of Marengo for their kindly hospitality during the convention session.

That in the death of sister America Martin, we have lost one of our most zealous workers and a most estimable Christian lady, but our loss is her eternal gain. We tender our sympathy to her bereft mother and sister.

That we tender our sincere thanks to Mrs. Denny for her presence and good work hoping that she may by permitted to be with us again in the near future.

That we tender our sincere thanks to the Alton delegates for their presence and efficient work. May we all prove faithful to our work and to our God.

MRS. DR. FELZER,  
CLARA HOLLCROFT, } Com.  
SUSAN ROBERTS,

In the death of Mrs. Saylor, the W. C. T. U. has lost a valued friend and worker. She was a noble character. Her circle of acquaintances was large, for she accompanied her husband to Washington during his services in Congress and on frequent journeys of recreation and pleasure and was with him when he acted as one of the committee of revision of the confession of Faith of the Presbyterian Church. She took great interest in the suffrage and temperance questions and at times has held offices in each of the State associations.

Mrs. Lillie McCormick, of Freelandville, Knox Co. sends money for the MESSAGE and says: "They cannot do without the State paper at all." If every member of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana felt that way and would subscribe for it our membership would be doubled before the close of the year.

Ohio State W. C. T. U. Convention passed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That it is the judgment of this executive board that no woman is eligible to office in the W. C. T. U. who takes neither the *Union Signal* the State paper nor the State minutes.



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We are glad to notice the returning glow of health in the face of our President, Mrs. Potter. Who has denied herself a vacation for much needed rest that she might better serve the interests of the School.

Shoals, Martin County, sends \$14 25, the result of a contest given in behalf of the Industrial School. This is the largest amount sent by any Union. Martin County wins two of the prizes offered through the Stirring Campaign. Each Union held a contest and is entitled to a week's work by one of the State Organizers. The proceeds of each Union amounted to over \$10 so each Union is entitled to an evening's address from one of the State officers.

## RECEIPTS.

### APRIL.

Jennie E. Bates, Martinsville.....	\$ 3 50
Anna Palmateer, Terre Haute.....	9 30
Grant County, Marion Central.....	5 25
Grant County, Back Creek.....	2 00
Rent from Connersville property.....	8 27
Porter County, per Mary Hadley.....	5 00
	<hr/> \$33 32

### JUNE.

Phlox W. C. T. U.....	2 80
Greensburg W. C. T. U.....	10 00
Terre Haute, Anna Palmateer.....	9 30
New London W. C. T. U.....	1 25
Montpelier ".....	5 55
Ellen O. Baltz, Spencerville.....	1 00
Bloomington W. C. T. U.....	8 00
Grant County, Oak Ridge.....	5 00
" Marion Central.....	8 00
Tippecanoe County, Addie Borum.....	10 00
A. T. Whitson, Stirring Campaign.....	55 00
Addie Aspy, Greensburg.....	50
Francesville W. C. T. U.....	4 50
Collections by Mary Hadley.....	122 67
A. T. Whitson, Stirring Campaign.....	10 00
Amo W. C. T. U., Kate Mendenhall.....	15 00
	<hr/> \$209 57

## INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL NOTES.

Three years ago on the 17th of August, the building on the Hadley Industrial School Farm was dedicated. This year there will be an excursion and picnic on the anniversary of the dedication to which all friends of the institution are invited. Such an occurrence will not often take place, so do not miss the opportunity to visit the Home and see for yourselves what is being done. Bring your

baskets if you wish but if not convenient to do so a light lunch can be procured in the dining-room. The girls will be prepared to serve you with ice cream and refreshing drinks that will quench your thirst but not muddle your brain.

Friends, do yourselves a pleasure by taking a day "off" to visit a beautiful place where you may enjoy a social time with old friends and make new acquaintances.

From Indianapolis the rates are as follows: For fifty (50) or more, 75 cents; for one hundred (100) or more, 65 cents; for two hundred (200) or more, 50 cents; all to go together. Tickets good returning on any train for two days. Leave Union Depot on the 7:30 a. m. train.

## WHEN SHALL WE STREW THE ROSES?

As we go to press our Corresponding Secretary, who has served as Editor in Chief for the MESSAGE throughout the year, is out in the State looking after our work in Summer Assemblies and doing other field work.

She has done much work during the year in addition to the regular duties of her office from which Indiana W. C. T. U. is reaping a two-fold benefit.

First in the way of awakening interest and building up our ranks.

Second, in the way of replenishing our treasury, not only by the membership added, but by turning the compensation she receives into the treasury which is applied on her salary after having been earned twice. This plan was adopted by the State Executive Committee for uniformity and in order that Unions especially needing help from the Secretary might call on her on the same terms other State officers receive, and so that the demands for her services might not be made greater than she could respond to on account of their being gratuitous. The same plan was adopted for our Treasurer who is also a (lightly) salaried officer and who has done double the work of her office in handling the MESSAGE fund and this in addition to her field work.

These facts are given in answer to the inquiries of those who want to be intelligent in regard to our work and are not intended to discriminate in favor of any one or more persons, for the same appreciation and gratitude is due every faithful, energetic worker.

If we knew how, we would like to make this more than a mere business statement, for some time in the future, whether it be far or near, there will be a memorial service in which the names of our self-sacrificing workers will be tenderly and appreciatively mentioned and tears will come to our eyes. But we do not wish to reserve all the roses for this one service.

May Indiana W. C. T. U. duly appreciate now, and make known its gratitude for what is coming to it by sacrifice and loyalty to duty by its energetic workers all along the line.

In California, Oregon and Washington, I find that the Union which holds the respect and confidence of the community is the Union which takes the greatest number of *Union Signals*, has an intelligent comprehension of all our far-reaching work, always sends delegates to all conventions and is pushing its educational work along all the lines. I have so far found no exceptions to this rule, it is unvarying.

CLARA HOFFMAN.

Mrs. C. S. Burnett, of Ohio, who has just returned from a lecture tour through Florida, says she can never tell how hard it is to work in a State that has no State W. C. T. U. paper. Is not the same thing true in regard to a county or Union that does not take the State paper, when there is one. It is not only hard for the speaker to work but it is hard for every member of the Union to work. Think what you owe to yourselves and to the cause, dear sisters, and send in your clubs.

Lulu Hayworth, formerly of Hendricks County, but now of Shipley, Florida, writes: "Unions and Legions organized and thus our cause is spread as birds carry seeds."

Portland is thinking of using a musical medal soon.

July 20th, Loogootee Union gave a social in the interest of our Fair Cottage.

Bloomington ministers hold union temperance meetings on Sunday evenings.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

The plan was adopted by the Executive Committee in March. Clinton and Dubois counties have taken one each, and as State Secretary I have been trying to make two, by asking county presidents to send me 30 cents from their own pocket or from the county treasury. I have received on this about \$4.50. Dear sisters, don't you want to help organize the State? Can't you help work this plan? Will you? Then I asked our secretaries to send me 10 cents each, and \$5.00 is the amount received. I mean State, County, Local Corresponding and Recording Secretaries. If any one holds more than one of these places, a dime is all she is expected to give, but we want all to give. Will you? It means more Unions, more light, more power.

### LECTURES ON PURITY.

I met Mrs. S. E. Kalley, founder and locater of the Hartwig Kalley Orphan Girl's National Home, on the cars. She is crossing our State on the line of the Lake Erie railroad and wishes to lecture on Purity, and she will write to our county presidents. Dear sisters, use your own judgment in the matter. I did not want to be like the disciples who forbade a worker they met, and in telling Jesus, he said, "Forbid him not, for he that is not for me is against me." As far as I know this sister will do us good.

Do not forget the 1st and 2nd weeks of September will soon be with us. It is the time of Mrs. Thurman's visit in the interest of our colored people. Her first work is at Marion. Anderson needs her. Lafayette should engage her at once. Indianapolis is ready for her. Every local Union should avail itself of Mrs. Thurman's most reasonable terms—entertainment and traveling expenses.

### "WORD PRIZE" FOR ACTON.

Mrs. S. Saunders, of West Indianapolis, received the first prize and Rebecca Hessong, Broad Ripple, the second, while the third went to Mary R. Kelly, Nashville, Ind.

### "WINONA."

Mrs. Emma Saylor, Frankfort, won first prize and Jennie Jessup, Westland, second, and the third to a member of the Central Union.

Members of the Bethany Park Assembly Union are hereby notified that there will be a meeting of this Union at the Park, August 6th, at 2 p. m., to elect officers and arrange for a program next year. We hope the officers will be present and bring the books.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Sup't Summer Assemblies.

### AN EXPERIENCE IN FAVOR OF TITHING.

We called on a rich man for a small donation to our work, who does not tithe. Under the pressure of hard times he feared he could not give. He seemed distressed, and we felt ashamed to add to his burdens. We called on a poor man who does tithe, for the same purpose, and he gave double the amount of the rich man, and did it with joy and thanksgiving. And we rejoiced too.

We need Record Books. Send in your orders. Do not send your money until you get your book, 30 cents for Local Record Book, 50 cents for the County Book. Must have one hundred orders before I can get them printed. Seventy Unions are waiting for the 30 slows ones. Hurry up. Do read this pathetic call and order at once.

Medal workers please take notice! The certificates are so full in their make up, I will not need to send out report blanks, it will be only an added expense. I can make my reports from the certificates.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Sup't.

### WINONA ASSEMBLY.

W. C. T. U. day at Winona met our expectations. An Assembly Union was formed with 56 members.

A good constitution adopted and officers elected. Mrs. Mary A. Leavitt, Vernon, President; Mrs. Remington, South Whitley, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. S. N. Crouse, Lafayette, 2nd Vice-President; Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester, Secretary; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, Treasurer. Six subscribers to our papers taken and over five thousand pages of literature distributed. Forest Cartwright, Portland, won the diamond medal and Mrs. Nellie Keenar, Cincinnati, won the second premium, a year's subscription to the "American Home Journal". Mrs. Hoffman, Kansas City, Miss Sharp, Ft. Wayne, and Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, acted as judges. Baby Squires entranced the audience and Mrs. Squires won golden compliments. They gave color and richness to our program here and at Acton Park, too. A pour down rain at the time of the evening meeting made things damp. Notwithstanding, a fair audience greeted our sister, Mrs. Hoffman, who talked for over an hour to very attentive listeners. Some of the Unions represented, Indianapolis Central, Marion Central, N. Manchester, South Whitley, Churubusco, Burket, Warsaw, Goshen, Elkhart, Argos, Plymouth, Bourbon, Piercetown and Lafayette. Nature and man at Warsaw have conspired to make the place beautiful, and have succeeded well.

### ACTON ASSEMBLY.

Our three days at Acton Park pronounced a success. We more than doubled the membership. The W. C. T. U. cottage looked neat and homelike and afforded lodging for several. While several made use of the dining-room and kitchen, and fully one hundred and fifty registered. The program proved a success, every one came to time. No disappointment except in not seeing our President, McWhirter, and Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson, and the Treasurer of Marion country. She was detained by the sickness of her husband. While our State officers were in line of duty at Bay View, Michigan, and our loss was some one's gain.

Mrs. Hoffman's subject was, "What Hinders", and it proved to be strong meat. She says, "The conscienceless politician is the worst man we have to deal with."

In the boy class for gold medal James Gipe, Indianapolis, won the medal, and Robbie Tomlinson the magazine. In the Matron's Contest, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, won the medal and Mrs. Cammack the magazine, and the rest of the class and the judges received the cabinet photograph of the State Sup't. Dr. Dashiell, Rev. Weaver, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Addah L. White, of Oxford, acted as judges.

Miss Sears, Secretary of Y Branch, Mrs. White, Sup't of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, Sup't of Mothers' Meetings, Miss Mary Hadley, of Normal Institutes gave strong, helpful service in their especial lines. So much interest manifested that the time for discussion was extended. Mrs. Jennie Bates, Martinsville, and Mrs. Cora J. Frijs, Indianapolis, had charge of the music and were invaluable. Miss Birdsall, of the Pentecost band, sang touchingly and stirred all hearts. Our fraternal delegates were a marked feature of the program. Rev. Hogans of the I. O. G. T's sent a splendid letter with regrets; an accident hindered his coming. Mr. Watson, Indianapolis, delegate from the Prohibition Club of that city, spoke for some thirty minutes with power. Rev. Nelson, of the Pentecost band gave very helpful words.

Officers for the year are: Mrs. Weaver, Indianapolis, President; Mrs. Hana, Indianapolis, 1st Vice-President; Mrs. Alexander, Whiteland, 2nd Vice-President; Mrs. Phebe R. Curryer, Indianapolis, Secretary and Mary A. Tarlton, Indianapolis, Treas.

Some slight changes were made in the constitution. I heard several say that Mrs. Cammack's address on "The Saloon Keeper's Ledger," equalled Mrs. Hoffman's address in some respects, and each made a ballot. If we could believe that home talent would make an acceptable program we would very much lessen the financial burden and do an equal amount of good.

The resolutions were printed in full in the "Phalanx". The main thoughts were working for woman's suffrage in our next legislature. Giving the Ys one evening on next year's program, and inviting the State L. T. L. to hold its convention the first day of the Assembly Union at Acton Park. Unions represented, Shelbyville, Fairland, Greensburg, Franklin, Whiteland, Martinsville, Oxford, Marion, Anderson, Plainfield, Bloomington, Hope, Columbus and the several Unions of Indianapolis.

Mrs. Nellie Baker, President of Wabash county, has recently organized a Union at Dora.

### SEDALIA UNION.

Sedalia Union held its third contest in Geetingville, July 13th, in the Presbyterian church, it was very good. There were only six contestants, their ages ranging from ten to fifteen. Ethel Shafer the one who received the medal, was only ten years of age. Miss Anna Boaworth won second prize, the others received Testaments and all were well pleased. Am very sorry to add that we have a saloon here after all our trouble and expense. The only plea they had to offer was that we did not present our petition soon enough, but we did. They opened up last Wednesday with free lunch.

ELLA BOYD,  
Press Reporter.

Duff has just held a small gold medal contest.

White county holds her convention at Monon, August 12th and 13th.

Anderson holds Mother's Meetings monthly and reports large attendance.

Anderson Y has planned to give a trolley party for the benefit of Fair Cottage.

Miss Hadley and Mrs. Jennie E. Bates are working in the interest of our Industrial School.

Morgan county is entitled to a week's work and Allie Anderson will very likely do the work.

The W. C. T. U. and Prohibitionists of Middlebury, Elkhart County, has driven two saloons out of their town.

Elkhart county always comes in the lead in finance. A good sum is being collected for the county quilt to be sent to the State Fair.

Dubois county is entitled to two weeks work for her Life Membership, and they would better take Mrs. Anderson when she is so near them.

Montpelier Union observed the Day of Prayer, called for in the July MESSAGE. This Union has several most excellent and faithful workers.

Miss Hadley makes the address for Shoals, Loo-gootee, Freelandville and possibly Mooresville. She goes to them (one of the State officers) for sending in \$10 to our Industrial School in response to the "Stirring Campaign."

Mrs. Allie Anderson gives Martin county her weeks' work in return for each Union in the county holding a contest as per call in "Stirring Campaign". She begins August 10th at Shoals. The county takes her for a second week.

County and local Sup'ts of Sunday-school work, much depends upon your efforts in your county and communities. What are you doing? Read account of Goshen Sunday-school rally. If Mrs. Daub can conduct a rally you can do that or something similar. Be up and doing.

Our President has place on the program at Bay View, Mich. Our Treasurer will spend a few days there, partly because she needs a rest and some change. We are proud to have them come before the workers of other states. We feel sure they will help others and will in turn receive benefit, and the cause be advanced thereby.

Mrs. Cammack speaks at White's Institute, Wabash county, August 1st, and will spend a few days in the county under direction of the county president. Beginning August 16th she works five days in Auburn Teacher's Institute. August 25th at Plainfield Teacher's Institute. September 1st, Walnut Ridge, and then a week in Hancock county.

Recently Mrs. Daub, of Goshen, County Sup't of Sunday-school work, conducted a temperance Sunday-school rally in the opera house. The large audience present was addressed by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, County President, and Rev. Sawyer, of Goshen. To each person present a page or more of W. C. T. U. literature was presented. Great good will result from such a meeting.

Miss Sears has organized a Y Branch. She is very much in favor of Mrs. Ella A. Boole's plan of Y Branches in each Union. If the Y is a branch of the State why not of the Union. And each Union can have a Y Branch and have an added source of strength. Twenty minutes of the program given to this Y Branch would prove like flowers on the dinner table or grace at the opening of the meal. Not having all my mail with me, I can't give the name of the Union having this new Y Branch. But you will know if it is your Union and if not, better send for Miss Sears at once.



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"Tis easy enough to be pleasant  
When life goes by like a song  
But a woman worth while  
Is the woman with a smile  
When every thing goes dead wrong"

## INDIANA'S SONG.

Indiana's heard the bugle,  
O army, tried and true,  
She is marching, she is coming,  
To pledge her faith anew.  
To pledge her faith anew  
To live or die with you,  
You may count on Indiana  
Till stars fade from the blue.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR SISTERS:—The last quarter of our W. C. T. U. year is nearing its close. Looking backward I see your earnest faces, dear comrades, and realize the intensity of your purpose and the loyalty of your hearts. I ask myself the question, "have I done my best," and now I pass the question on to each of you. Have you done your best? The measure of each woman's best must be according to her opportunities and capabilities.

God called the Christian womanhood of this land to rise up against the destroyer of the sons of men—the liquor traffic.

The work of all was not expected to be measured by the same conditions. However less or more we do than others is not the balance; we must do the best according to our opportunity.

## DEPARTMENTS.

That our State Superintendents may be able to make good reports to the National Superintendents, will each local Superintendent faithfully report all of the work done by the Union in her department?

All workers are requested to read carefully the Superintendents questions published in the February issue of the MESSAGE. If work in any of these departments has been done and there is no Superintendent will some member please report the same to the State Superintendent immediately.

## STATE CONVENTION.

The State Convention will be held at South Bend, October 8th to 11th. Every Union is urged to send its full quota of delegates, President, one delegate at large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

Now is the time to elect your delegates. If the money is not already in the treasury to pay the expenses of your delegates, please give immediate attention to a plan for securing it.

No Union can afford to fail in being represented at the State Convention. We need the presence, cheer and counsel of each Union's representatives and they need the influence of such a meeting.

## MUSIC.

Each member is urged to secure a copy of the White Ribbon Hymnal and if possible see that each delegate to the Convention brings a copy with her or buys it as soon as she reaches the Convention.

Miss Willard greatly desires that Kate Lunden's beautiful "Star Spangled Banner" be sung in every State Convention this Fall. The words may be secured from the W. T. P. A. The tune is familiar to us all.

The National Musical Director requests that the selections found on the following pages of the Hymnal be used at our Conventions: Pages 10, 26, 34, 38, 86, 140, 159, 160. Let us become familiar with the selections, singing them in our Unions and in the County Conventions.

## COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Every member of the White Ribbon Army of Indiana should feel obligated to attend her County Convention and by her presence and prayers, if in no other way, help to make it a success.

Our County Conventions are not always largely attended, this is encouraging to the "liquor power."

For the sake of your homes and the advancement of God's kingdom, sisters, show your colors. Attend the W. C. T. U. Convention and each one of you who are a real enemy to the saloon urge some other woman to attend. Then go praying for a fresh baptism of the power of the Holy Ghost upon our work. Help to re-kindle the Crusade fire.

Sisters, the time for action is now. The W. C. T. U. will not amount to much in your locality until the membership stands like flint in opposition to the saloon power and boldly works for and stands by the cause of Prohibition. We can only hope for victory when our own membership will stand bravely in the front line regardless of personal preference.

Yours in loving service,

LUELLA F. MC WHIRTER.

## RATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

Purchase regular first class ticket to South Bend, requesting railroad agent to furnish a certificate stating that such ticket has been bought. The certificate, when properly signed by Secretary at Convention will entitle the holder to a ticket for return journey at one-third the first class limited fare. See ticket agent early and request him to be supplied with certificates.

## STATE TREASURERS LETTER.

Dear County and Local Treasurers:—Less than one month remains until the close of the year. Much work can be done in that time. Blanks have been sent to every County Treas. If they have not been received notify me by return mail. Please send them quickly to your Local Treasurers, that every Union may be heard from at an early date.

According to the action of the last State Convention the State Treasurers' books will close Sept. 25th.

This means promptness from every County and Local Union Treasurer. Mail is sometimes delayed. Send early that no Union may fail to be represented by the report coming one day too late. By active energetic work in the collection of dues, Unions will measure up to and many will surpass the membership of last year.

Many have reported more members during the first three quarters of the year, than were reported during the corresponding quarters last year. This shows an increased interest and is encouraging.

Some reports show a decrease in membership. Dear Local Treasurers please notice if a deficit occurs in your Union. If so spare no effort. The collection of dues is a part of your work. I know this means a sacrifice in many cases. As this is a work called of God will He not help and strengthen those who make the sacrifice? No good work was ever carried on without a sacrifice from His children.

Do not fail to collect dues from all the old members and add as many new ones as possible. I hope no one will say "We can't do it." The expression of itself is a discouragement to many. With Christ all things are possible. Pray do not yield to discouragements.

Childrens Harvest Home and Membership Crusade Day. The Birthday of dear Frances E. Willard, Sept. 28th, comes too late to be reported before the close of the State Treasurers books Sept. 25th. Hence every Union is asked to observe Sept. 9th instead. Will you not make a regular crusade for members that day. Plan the work systematically. Urge every member to secure that new member asked for in the beginning of the year.

Arrange for a parlor meeting in the evening and give the new members secured through the day, a pleasant reception. Light refreshments would add a neat little sum to your treasury from which can be drawn membership dues for those not able to meet this obligation.

The Sparta Union of Wisconsin has for several years observed an annual Thank Offering Day.

This year the offering was new members and besides 26 new members added, \$19.00.

Will you not make this effort and report to me,

when you send in your reports, the success of your efforts. Who will send the first and best report.

Dear Treasurers much depends upon your faithfulness in the collection of dues. A decrease in membership dues means a decrease in the amount of money spent in the different departments of work and consequently in the amount of work done.

Our State has no other regular fund upon which to draw for state work, except the dues. This is not sufficient to carry on the work that should be done. Beside the dues, most other States ask a certain sum from each Union for State Work.

As we have no other regular fund except the dues, you can see at once how necessary it is that none be left uncollected.

I am just in receipt of a letter from the National Treasurer, saying: "Do urge upon all Local Treasurers the great need of faithful work immediately in the collection of dues." The loss of membership in the State means a deficit in the National Treasury.

With a determined effort, born of God, in the hearts of our W. C. T. U. women we will work against the mighty stronghold of Satan, the Legalized Liquor traffic, and go up to our State Convention on the 8th of October bearing the sheaves of a more abundant harvest than has ever yet been reaped in Indiana.

May we not all be willing to do our part in this great work and God will do the rest.

I purposed sending a personal letter to each of the Treasurers but decided to have it printed in the "Message" and send a marked copy to each of you. Please have it read in your Local Unions.

Yours in prayerful service,

Amanda T. Whitson,

(New) 3335 N. Meridian St.

## COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

Will County Presidents please notify Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian St., (New No. 2335), Indianapolis, when and where your County Convention will be held, that copies of the State paper may be sent for distribution to aid in securing new subscribers for the paper. Only 25 cents in clubs of twelve. "Union Signal" and "Message" \$1.10.

All quilts and other articles for the State Fair, must be sent in the first week in September, as entries close in the Art Department Sept. 7th.

Counties, Unions or individuals sending quilts or other articles will please instruct us as to the disposition of them at the close of the Fair. Shall they be sold to the highest bidder or be returned to those who sent them?

We hope many donations may be made; for it is possible, with your help, to pay off the entire amount. Will we not each one do our part and success will crown our efforts.

All expenses in connection with the articles sent are to be met by those sending them.

Mrs. Hunt, of Richmond, writes: "Count on Wayne County for a quilt for the Fair Cottage Fund if we have to stay up nights to complete it."

Many Unions and Counties write they will assist in money donations. Many are preparing quilts but have not reported their progress. We know they are faithfully at work and will report in time for the articles to be placed in the W. C. T. U. booth. As this will be the first exhibit as a W. C. T. U., let us make it worthy of the cause.

Marion Counties new colored Union, aside from doing their part on the County quilt, donates a handsomely embroidered lunch cloth, the work of one of their members. Not all of the white Unions in our county have done so well.

Anderson Y will give a trolley party, the proceeds of which are to be sent to the Fair Cottage Fund.

Membership Crusade Day, September 9th. Will you observe the day?



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### FRANCHISE.

Dear women, of Indiana, following the questions your State Superintendent of Franchise sent out in the early part of the year I send to you again by circular to your address asking earnestly that you give a full report of all that has been attempted and all that has been accomplished during the year in the Franchise Department returning the same to me by the 20th of September and oblige,

M. A. Tompkins, State Sup't.  
309 S. Main St., Elkhart, Ind.

### SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

Dear sisters:—Very few of the local Sup'ts. of this department have responded to my call for a report of this branch of work. Besides urging you through the Message I have written to each of you twice. Let me urge upon the importance of our department and will you not immediately write in regard to your locality?

Yours in the work,  
Sarah M. Shelt, State Sup't.  
Jeffersonville Ind.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

Dear Superintendents:—Sufficient report blanks have been sent out to reach every Union in the State. Co. Sup'ts. be sure to see that the Locals receive the report blanks sent to you for them.

Please don't neglect to fill out blanks and send to me as soon as possible, my report must go to the National by Sept. 15th. Let us have figures to show what our department has done. Don't forget to tell me if you had a Sup't. last year.

Begin to plan for the observance of universal Sunday, the fourth Sunday in November, let us make it a day long to be remembered.

Yours for Reports,  
Alice G. Geary, State Sup't.  
730 North St., Logansport.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

On this date I send out blanks for reports of Co. Sup'ts., inclosing also for Locals.

Dear Superintendents, please fill out and return promptly.

Much work has been done in this department during the summer.

Miss Reed and Mrs. Cammack have a number of engagements for teacher's institutes

Both have given lectures for the department and I have filled all the engagements possible.

Please do not neglect to visit the teacher's normals and institutes, distribute literature and report what is being done.

Take subscriptions for the School Physiology Journal wherever possible.

Good State Reports depend upon good County Reports. Let us have both.

Yours in loving service,  
Adah W. White, State Sup't.

### FAIR WORK.

One month has elapsed since I sent out circular letters asking for aid for our Fair Cottage. I am sorry to say only a few have responded.

But with heart brimful of love, and confidence in my white ribbon sisters I cannot think this is an intentional neglect. You perhaps do not realize how necessary it is that I know before hand exactly what you will do, that I may plan accordingly. Or perhaps in these busy days you have forgotten. For I believe one and all are anxious to lift the debt from our Fair Cottage as I.

In 1892 the present W. C. T. U. Cottage was built on the now State Fair Grounds. Ten dollar notes were issued at that time, for the payment of the same.

These notes were taken by our own W. C. U. T. women, many of which have already been paid by receipts from the Cottage during the Fair. Others remain unpaid, and are long past due. These dear Sisters have waited long and patiently, and are now urging that these pledges be met at once.

These sweet pleading faces are continually before me. And I can never be happy until I can grasp their hand with that debt cancelled.

If each of you will assist me just a little, I believe this can be done at our coming State Fair Sept. 13th. Oh! will you not do it? And by so doing not only make our patient sisters happy but we will be happy, as we always are in doing right; Only a few days more remain in which you can do this before the Fair. If you cannot come send money.

### MOTHER'S MEETINGS.

Dear Presidents:—As there are so few County Sup't. of the department of Mothers Meetings, I must call upon you to assist me in making my report which the National Sup't. is now urging me to send her.

A very large majority of the women of the Woman's Christian Union are Mothers, and we know they are intensely interested in this department of work, but for lack of a leader, some one to take up the work and push it, much practical work which might be done is left undone, and yet we believe there are few Unions where there is not some mother whose heart has gone out along this line of work, and some work has been done, our heart's desire is, to gather up all the threads and weave them in our report so as to show all the work which has been done.

Oh! Mothers of Indiana let not our fair state have a blot upon the pages of our National minutes, and surely if this most important department is not well reported, it will have. You may have your children taught Scientific temperance in the public schools or even have them graduated from the Loyal Temperance Legion, but it is what the child is taught in confidence, by the Mother, in the sacredness of the home, that will stay with the child and will bring forth fruit in after years.

No mother can be as well qualified to teach her children the important things of life, who does not herself come under the hallowed influence of the Mother's meetings, therefore no Union has done its full duty who has not taken up this department of work; I hear you say, there are so many departments of work, and the State Sup't. are urging that this department be taken up, and it is impossible to take up all, that is true, but what each Union ought to do, is to try to take up the departments of work which is most needed in their community, and surely no Union can say there is no need of Mother's meetings.

During the summer I spent several weeks at a Summer Assembly where there were many young men and women at and the imprudent actions I witnessed caused my heart to go out in this department of work more than it ever has, what Indiana, yes and I may well say our Nation, needs, is a thorough awakening of the Motherhood, it is a sad fact, that our sons and daughters get from under Mothers control altogether too early in life, there is no way to hold them only by having their perfect confidence, to gain this, Mother, you must commence in babyhood, and there is no place you will be so helped in doing this, as in the Mother's meetings, but we could go on and fill the entire paper giving reasons why every mother in the Union should take up this department of work, we feel from the depths of our hearts that this department has been sadly neglected by our organizers, we have the first one yet to hear from, who when they have organized have even mentioned the department of Mother's meetings, although they have in many cases killed the new born child by putting such a burden upon it, of work it did not understand and which did not appeal to the mother heart. I hope every mother whose eyes fall on these lines, whether she be Co. Pres. or not, who has done any thing at all along this line, no matter how small the doing, will write me, if you have given out one just one leaflet, or spent one afternoon in talking to your neighbors

on this department of work, please tell me about it.

Below you will find a list of questions which you will please answer as fully as possible.

1st How many local Sup't. have you?

2nd How many Unions have taken up the work of this department, and give their names?

3rd How many have abandoned the work after beginning it?

4th How do you account for the lack or loss of interest?

5th At how many conventions, religious conferences, Teachers Institutes or other large gatherings has mothers meetings been presented?

6th How many lectures and sermons are reported as having been given in the interest of this work?

7th At how many Summer Assembly's has this work been presented?

8th How many leaflets or literature have been distributed in interest of this department?

9th How many meetings have been held for the cultivated women?

10th How many for the poorer classes?

11th How many have carried on a regular course of study?

12th What is the average attendance at these meetings?

13th What results if any, can be attributed to these meetings?

14th How many members have been added to the Unions through these meetings?

15th At how many of these meetings has our pledge and membership been offered?

16th What are the greatest needs of this phase of the work?

17th How many subscribers have you to the "New Crusade?"

18th How many of Dr. Mary Wood Allen's books have you distributed?

19th Report work of any kind done which would touch upon the lines of this department.

Hoping to receive an early reply to these questions, and thereby be able to send in a full report to our National Superintendent.

I am yours for the mother-hood and child-hood of Indiana,  
Martha L. Gipe, State Sup't.  
1730 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.

### ANNUAL CONVENTION OF INDIANA L. T. L.

Rah! Rah!! Rah!!!

We clover-blossoms are a-field  
Why? Saloons must die,  
Hear their knell,  
Indiana L. T. L.

If you had been to Marion July 8th and 9th, and heard our girls and boys give their Yell with the enthusiasm of youth I think those children's Unions would go to work immediately to organize this branch. How can a band of Christian mothers neglect this?

The Convention was well attended and a grand success.

There were 43 graduates, an increase of 35 over last year.

With the new Legions organized this year we expect to have over 100 next year.

We added two new departments of work, Mercy and Narcotics.

The officers elected were:

President, Fred Christian, Wabash;  
1st Vice-President, Carl Cammack, Marion;  
2nd Vice-President, Lottie Benner, Argos;  
Cor. Sec'y., Lizzie Lenfestey, Marion;  
Rec. Sec'y., Fred Carter, Westfield;  
Treasurer, Ina Boyer, Frankfort;  
Organizers, Mrs. E. Saylor, Frankfort, and Mrs. J. Overman Marion.

Superintendents are: Literature, Frank Watson, Argos; Mercy, Georgia Wines, Frankfort; Medal Contest, Emma Weimer, Argos; Flower Mission, Mary Driver, Dunkirk; Narcotics, Fred Carter, Westfield, for the colored people and Jesse Straw, North Manchester.

The resolutions adopted will be given later.

Mrs. McWhirter was present during the entire meeting, lending enthusiasm and encouragement, and gave an excellent address the second evening.

The first evening was given to a medal contest under the direction of Mrs. Overman.

The class was composed of girls and boys of eight years. The successful one was little Miss Hahn whose elocutionary ability would do credit to one of mature years. The banner for largest class of graduates was presented to Dunkirk Legion having twelve. Who will win it next year?

The graduates are from the following Legions: Dunkirk, Mrs. Laura Bales, leader, 12, Fairmount, Mrs. Ella Haisley, leader, 10; Frankfort, Mrs. Emma Saylor, leader, 4; Indianapolis, Co. C, 1; Indianapolis,

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his Co., Mrs. Bogert, leader, 6; Marian, Mrs. Overman, leader, 9; Argos, Mrs. A. R. Gordon, leader, 1.

Now a word to leaders. You will receive report blanks soon which I wish you would consider a sacred duty, to attend to at once, and return to me filled, not later than Sept. 15th. I must make my report to the National Superintendent before our State Convention, and if each one is prompt it will give me time.

Begin now to collect dues.

We must have a representative at Buffalo this year and to do so we must pay into the National treasury \$50 dues. That means \$100 paid to me. That is only 1000 members surely Indiana has that many children worth 10cents each.

Graduates pay their 25 cents to the L. T. L. Treasurer, then sends 10 of that to me, 5 of which goes to the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer. All other Legioners pay 10 cents each direct to through their leader. Besides this there are prizes for dues paid.

One copy one year of "Young Crusader" for \$3 paid. Two copies one year, for \$5, and a banner to the Legion paying the largest amount over \$5.

I wish that each Legion having a class of graduates would elect a Cor. Sec'y, and Superintendents to correspond with the State work and report the names to the State Cor. Sec'y, Miss Lizzie Lenfesty, Marion, and she will report the names to the State Superintendents.

The plan of work has been remodeled and will be printed with a full report of the Committee and Constitution and By Laws and sent out soon.

I hope each leader will errange to be at South Bend in Oct. and have something for L. T. L. Conferences.

"Let us reason together" and plan for the coming year that it may be better than the last.

A. R. Gordon, State Sec'y.

### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, HADLEY, IND.



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200 College Ave., Indianapolis.  
MRS. ELLA B. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Greensburg.  
MISS MARY HADLEY, Lecturer,  
Bloomington, Parke County.

### STIRRING CAMPAIGN.

We are pleased to say many have responded to the call of the Stirring Campaign for Hadley School. Some money has been sent in which will be a great help, but we believe there is an opportunity for much more to be done. We propose to keep this plan in operation so any and all may have time to do what they can.

There will be time to do something before convention as some contest classes have been arranged for already. Looking at the contest work we see much to commend it. The children love it. It educates them in appearing before an audience, which every pupil in public schools is expected to do. It presents a subject of the greatest importance for them to consider. Friends of the contestants are interested and imbibe good sentiments and lastly but not least it brings in something to help a worthy cause.

### HADLY NOTES.

On the 17th of August we had a pleasant gathering at the Hadley Industrial Schools for Girls.

The day was delightful, the surroundings beautiful the refreshments palatable and abundant and, best of all, the company genial.

Short talks on interests connected with the farm and school were listened to with respectful attention.

We are happy to say that it was remarked by many that the most enjoyable pic-nic they ever attended.

There are improvements contemplated that will render the farm more productive and the grounds more attractive.

The children are in good health and show in their development the judicious management of those in charge of the Home.

The growing stock is fine and the chickens are multiplying by the hundreds. Money expended in poultry houses will more than pay all expenses in the increased productions of eggs and poultry for the market.

Women of this time do you see your opportunity for stamping your names upon a work that will go down to future generations an honor to the W. C. T. U. of Indiana!

Where in all of our country has an avenue for increasing usefulness like this been opened. Just think of the work so well begun and so nearly brought to a success. You can say truthfully "Beautiful for situation" and if you will just now make the effort to put the work upon a nearly a self-supporting basis as possible, you will also be able to add to the joy of the whole "State of Indiana."

Women, take time, consider this work and if it is worthy see if there is not a way in which you can do something to help. Just so long as we defer the small effort that is now demanded us it will be a burden, but just a little way ahead it will be a delight to look back on something accomplished that is permanent.

It is very encouraging to note the offers of help from men of means, and judgment, and generous hearts. It is our own fault if we do not avail ourselves of their assistance and put our work in a condition to command the respect of business men and women.

Sisters let us forget the faults, the mistakes, the criticisms, the discouragements of the past, and look hopefully on to the future and press vigorously to our goal, the uplifting of our Hadley Industrial School for Girls.

If any individual or Union has an Application blank filled please send it in at once. If it is not deemed best to fill it please return it with the copy of Rules. These cost money and must not be destroyed.

We are glad, very glad to know there is a prospect for farmers to realize more on their crops than in years past. The "hard-times" for them we hope will soon be a thing of the past.

### JAMES MUSTARD'S PLAN.

The Hadly Industrial School's Third Anniversary. A picnic dinner under the wide-spreading trees. A program for brain-feeding, in the same grove, Prof. McWhirter, Indianapolis, presiding, and all went "merry as a marriage bell." The Pros and Cons of the probable success of the School was discussed in a friendly manner, and many helpful suggestions given. Mr. James Mustard said: "No need for a debt on an institution like this. Ask two thousand men for a dollar each, and the work is done. I myself will solicit the many cattle and machine men who visit the Fair, then if all your W. C. T. U's. will solicit as they can it will soon be a finished work." We suggest, use the county fairs for that purpose.

Don't fail to seize the opportunity and do let us all work together for once. The stirring campaign was excellent, if all had entered into it. The dollar membership plan was good but too many let it alone. The Century pledge worked well, but too few took the pledge. Now the question narrows down to asking two thousand men for one dollar each. Who will do the asking?

The ten inmates of the School make a very promising family, I wish all our poor homeless girls were as well housed. If the Institution stands clear of debt when the fourth anniversary comes around, we must make the occasion a memorable one.

A FRIEND.

### TREASURERS NOTES.

The Sabbath at Ocean Grove W. C. T. U. Assembly grounds New Jersey was a day of complete rest. Not a vehicle allowed on the street, even the bicycle was laid aside. Church going was the order of the day. So writes Mrs. Forbes, W. C. T. U. President of Connecticut.

The new Constitution of Delaware has a section requiring an educational qualification for voters.

The wife of Gov. Brady of Alaska is W. C. T. U. president of that Territory and both are teetotlers.

By request of Rev. A. E. Carhart, Editor of The "Truth" Prohibition paper of South Dakota, and The Epworth Herald no longer advertises Hires' Root Beer. By analysis it is known to contain

from one and a half to three percent of Alcohol. The W. C. T. U. every where should take a stand it.

Doubtless every one knows ere this that the State Conventions will be held at South Bend in the Northern part of the State. Let every Union in that part of the State make an especial effort to have at least two representatives in attendance that will go home filled full of W. C. T. U. enthusiasm.

Will County Sup'ts please be very prompt to collect reports from Local Sup'ts?

National Sup'ts all request early reports. State Sup'ts cannot comply with this request unless the County and Local Sup'ts do their part.

Will county Sup'ts. read the reports in State Minutes and see if your county is well reported? Many reports reach the editor to late too be printed.

Do not let this occur this year.

Amo Union stands first in the amount of money sent in through the stirring campaign.

The report came in after the type had been set announcing Shoals Union as the banner Union in sending the most money.

If the Message does not reach you, please notify Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 N. Meridian St., who correct the mistake.

California has 3500 members and one half take the State paper. With a little extra effort all along the line Indiana can do more than that. Can we not all make the effort and bring the names and clubs to our State Convention.

### MODEL INVITATION, "AUCTION SALE."

The W. C. T. U. invites you to attend an auction sale of valuable goods, including clothing, pictures, books, musical instruments, jewelry and bric-a-brac, at the home of the Hon. and Mrs. Mozley, Thursday, May 6th, 8 to 11 P. M.

Each guest is requested to bring a bundle of something to be sold to the highest bidder. The currency was beans in small cheese-cloth bags. The packages sold contained everything, from fans, aprons, suspenders, bon-bons and books to a set of false teeth.

There was a Musical programme and refreshments. Try the "Auction sale" if you want a jolly social.

### WORLD'S AND NATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

One of the interesting features of the World's W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in Toronto, in October is the great Polyglot petition containing seven and a half million signatures and reaching several miles in length.

At the close of the Convention it is to be presented to the Canadian Federal Government. At the World's Convention in 1895, it formed a part of the decorations of Prince Albert Hall.

The Convention Committee, in behalf of her 10,000 Canadian White Ribbons sends greetings to her sisters of every land.

Delegates will be entertained free. Visitors will be entertained at about \$1.00 per day.

Our National Convention will be held immediately after the World's Convention.

Visitors and delegates to the National are strongly urged to start a few days earlier and attend both. It's a rare opportunity and you can not afford to miss it.

Reduced railroad rates will be secured for the World's W. C. T. U. Convention at Toronto, Canada Oct. 23-26, and for the National Convention Buffalo, N. Y. Oct. 29 to Nov. 3rd.

Every white ribboner should urge the friends of temperance to attend these wonderful Conventions.

The regular railroad fare from Indianapolis to Toronto is \$14.15; from Indianapolis to Buffalo \$13.25. From these rates an estimate may be made of the round trip at one and a third fare which will most likely be granted.

Mrs. Yajima, the president of Japanese W. C. T. U., will be one of the interesting women of the World's Convention, and the promise that she would attend brought great gratification to the general officers and local Convention Committee.

Delegates to the World's Convention will not be assigned to any homes before reaching Toronto but will be met at the Station and escorted to Headquarters 56 Elm St. where arrangements will be made for their comfort. Arrangements are also being made for the entertainment of visitors who will pay on an average about one dollar per day.

The assignment of visitors will be made in the same manner as the delegates.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 1897.

It was voted in Committee Meeting to ask State workers, Superintendents of Departments, Evangelists and Organizers to have their faces in the minutes, thinking it would add to their value and thus increase their use. The individual must bear the expense. \$1.25 if ten cuts are made by the Indiana Illustrating Co., otherwise, \$1.50. You can send photographs to the State Secretary, 1112 Central Ave., Indianapolis, at once, and she will attend to getting the cut (a half-tone). If you send cut it should be in by the 15th of September. Send cut to Secretary. The photograph used to make the cut can be returned.

### OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.

July 26th, Miss Clara M. Sears organized a Y of thirteen regular and two honorary members, at Shelbyville. She feels very hopeful of this Union. Officers are as follows: President, Miss Josie Little; Cor. Secretary, Miss Ida M. Dungan; Rec. Secretary, Gracie Ve Dill; Treasurer, Miss Kate Smith. Dear Unions, why not send for Miss Sears and keep her busy, she is very successful when you give her a chance. We need the young people and we must have them.

### ISLAND PARK.

Island Park Assembly Union held a meeting in the W. C. T. U. pavillion on Thursday afternoon July 29th. Mrs. M. M. Dickinson, Wolcottville, in the chair.

Mrs. Hubbard led in singing "Blest be the tie that binds." Mrs. Dickinson offered prayer. On motion it was decided to form an Assembly Union. Constitution read and adopted. Officers elected by ballot as follows:

President, Mrs. M. M. Dickinson, Wolcottville, Ind.

1st Vice President, Mrs. Mercy M. Koon, 116 Sweet St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

2nd Vice President, Mrs. E. C. Leonard, Hartford City, Ind.

Secretary, Mrs. Sarah M. Hubbard, Lagrange, Ind.

Treasurer, Miss Laura A. Teal, Legionier, Ind.

These officers constitute the program committee.

### COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Morgan, September 14th.

Fountain, September 21st, at Hillsboro.

Fulton, September 11th and 12th, at Kewanna.

Marion, September 1st and 2nd, Indianapolis.

Lake, September 15th, Hammond.

### A PLAIN TALK.

Our new Quarterly Blanks do not give you a place to report the pages of literature, because your Supt of Literature should report that to the State Supt of Literature. They do not ask for the number of L. T. L's or their membership that the L. T. L. Secretary should report to the Branch Secretary. Answer all the questions the blanks call for and you will have a full report.

### VERY IMPORTANT.

Autograph quilts for State Fair must be sent first week in September as entries for art department closes Sept. 8th.

### W. C. T. U. DAY AT ZIONSVILLE.

The W. C. T. U. day at Zionsville Camp Meeting, August 13th, was a success in every particular. The Union ladies had planned largely and wisely and spared no pains in advertising the meeting. As a result a large and enthusiastic audience greeted the speakers both morning and afternoon. The surrounding country as well as the town was largely represented by voters as well as non-voters. The platform of the auditorium was brightly decorated with the National colors, blooming plants and cut flowers. Rev. A. L. Crim, of Thorntown, spoke in the forenoon, subject, "The National Triangle which is formed by the Home, the Church and the State." Destroy either of these and the other two will collapse. The Saloon, a legalized institution, the arch enemy of all.

In the afternoon Dr. J. M. Driver, the fearless temperance orator of Marion, held the audience perfectly quiet, except during the applause, for two hours, while he delivered his lecture, "Whiskey Farces and Fallacies; or High License, Low License, or No License." At the close of this address, although quite late, steps were taken toward the organization of an Assembly Union and several names secured for membership. The bountiful repast served by the ladies during the noon hour was very much enjoyed by all. Notwithstanding our ride of fifteen miles over the dustiest road in Indiana, we felt well paid by the intellectual treat prepared by the W. C. T. U. ladies of Zionsville.

### BATTLE GROUND ASSEMBLY.

Had an address by Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington, Ind., on Woman's Suffrage. The large majority was in sympathy with the subject, and every one enjoyed the speech. Mrs. Balch gave a recitation. The officers elected were as follows.

Mrs. Emil Kelly, Battle Ground, Ind., President.

Mrs. Anna Levering, 8th and Union Sts., La Fayette, 1st Vice-president.

Pastors wives connected with the management are all Vice-presidents of this Union: Mrs. Josephine Bennett, 181 North 8th St., La Fayette, Secretary; Mrs. W. H. Bryan, 8th and Union Sts., La Fayette, Treasurer.

This Union has a large membership, though we failed to get the exact number. Membership fee is 25cts.

At the State Convention our Memorial Services for our promoted comrades will take place on Sunday afternoon, and will be in charge of our Vice-President, Miss Mary Hadly, Bloomington. Names and any incidents to be mentioned connected with the deceased should be sent at once to Miss Mary Hadley.

Committee on Resolutions as appointed last year: Mary A. Leavitt, Vernon; Cornelia Meadows, Evansville, Lizzie Dunlap, Franklin; Lavina Bailey, Spiceland; Rebecca Trueblood, Kokomo; Frances Boyer, Frankfort; Belle Freeman, Lawrence. Send in your resolutions to any member of the committee with the full understanding that the committee will use its judgement about accepting them.

Andrews held a contest July 31st.

Elkhart Co. W. C. T. U. will hold their County Convention at Elkhart, September 21 and 22. The State President, Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, will give them a lecture on the 21st inst. There will be a grand march with flags and banners and band music before the lecture. The second evening, Dr. Thomas will give a lecture on the nature and effects of alcohol on the human system.

Mrs. Anna C. McKinsie read a paper at the Thorn-town Grove meeting entitled "Woman's Kingdom—yesterday, to-day and to-morrow."

Mrs. L. M. Christ is disabled for active service by a sprained ankle while she is recovering from this painful accident, she proposes to manage a contest.

At North Judson the Methodist minister preached against the W. C. T. U. He is not the first minister that made a mistake and many people do not know their real friends. White Ribbon sisters, God overrules all such things for our good.

Friday morning 5 o'clock Aug. 24, "Mrs. Ella B. Stout, of Greensburg, received honorable discharge from labor and has gone beyond to reward. Mrs. Laura M. Thompson writes, "I witnessed the end of awful sufferings. Oh how we shall miss her."

The local press of Wabash speaks very complimentary of the Matron's Contest in which Mrs. H. Kidd, President of the Local Union won the medal. Who next?

Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, of Ireland, has been dangerously ill, although hopes of her recovery are now entertained. Let us pray for long life to be accorded to this faithful, self-forgotten worker.

The Secretary of the Hillsdale Union, Grace McSwane, is not at all well, and does not seem to be hopeful. This is very necessary. Let us pray for God to spare our young workers.

Ossian uses the responsive readings and finds them very helpful. The State Secretary has since July 7th visited Fairmount, Back Creek, Greentown Churubusco, South Whitley, Anderson, Montpelier and Ossian Unions. Ossian had the young girls for ushers, and the young people to sing. It is the wisdom of heaven to enlist our boys and girls. So

many of our Unions are composed of old or elderly women. They will soon have gone the way of all the living, and who is to take our places, should enter into our thought and action, and the young people encouraged to take their stand with us.

Fountain County Convention meets at Hillsboro, Sept. 21st, morning, afternoon and evening. The meetings will be held in the Christian Church.

Wells County holds her Conventoon at Ossian the first week in September.

Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, Secretary Y Branch, will welcome the Ys at the Fair Cottage during the week of the State Fair. Come, girls, and be sure to wear your ribbons and use your influence to have the honoraries do the same.

Dear sisters, in planning to attend the State Fair, put in your pocket extra, the price of the "Union Signal" and "Message" and subscribe in the State Fair club for one or both.

Address Mrs. Fannie Barnes Calkins, Portland, Jay Co., Ind., for her prize essay on "Narcotics." Price, 2 cents each or 80 cents per hundred.

La Otta Union feels sure of doubling its membership and every member takes the MESSAGE. They have held two public meetings in the interest of department work and received very liberal collections.

Martin County is preparing a gold medal contest for their County Convention, Sept. 9th and 10th.

In reply to an oft repeated question: Demorest books No. 1, 2, and 3, price 10cents each. W. C. T. U. books No. 1 and 2, price 10cents each. Cooper books No. 1, 2, and 3, price 15 cents each.

No selections to be used for contest work except those taken from the above books or any piece in "Union Sequel" or "Voice" endorsed for that purpose.

Mrs. Lizzie Tappen, County Secretary for Union County, reports a good Convention in the M. E. Church, Liberty, June 30. Mrs. Leavitt was present and lectured in the evening and spent a week in the county in the interest of the work. Old offices re-elected.

Company H. Fairmount, Grant County Division, has the second largest list of L. T. L. graduates. Charley Beeson, Ella Hockett, Leola Garner, Herman Wimmer, Edith Ellis, Nellie Johnson, Barclay Thomas and Bertha Beeson.

Irvington Colored Union has donated to the Fair work, a linen lunch cloth, hand embroidered with silks. It is handsome, ornamental and useful. What has your Union decided to do, or what have you done?

L. T. L's should send in their 10 cents membership fee to Mrs. A. R. Gordon, Argos, Ind., and secure their delegate to National Convention.

Martin County has a new Union at Dover, organized by Mrs. Allie Anderson. Sedalia, Clinton Co., has a new L. T. L. organized by Mrs. Emma Saylor, Frankfort.

Mrs. Cora T. Freijs, President of Marion County, secured advertisements enough to pay for the programs, the janitor and to advertise the Convention, sending a program to each worker by mail.

Mrs. McWhirter's dates for County Conventions and one Fair:

Clay County, Sept. 1st.

Benton County Fair, Sept. 7th.

Martin County, Loogootee, Sept. 9th.

Daviess County, Washington, Sept. 10th.

Wells County, Ossian, Sept.

Delaware County, Muncie, Sept. 15th.

Benton County, Talbot, Sept. 16th.

Elkhart County, Elkhart, Sept. 21st.

Stuben County, Sept. 23rd.

Will Local Unions please remember and act upon the resolution adopted by our last State Convention: "That each local Union be asked annually during the fourth quarte of the year to give fifty cents for a Convention Fund. Money to be sent to the State Treasurer, to be applied on deficit. Any surplus must remain in the treasury for future conventions.

We hope many of our White Ribbon women will take advantage of low rates and visit the State Fair and its W. C. T. U. Cottage this Fall.

Dear White Ribboners, do you remember the names of the Chairmen of Committees for the Convention was published in the June MESSAGE? refer to them, and send names of delegates to the Chairmen on entertainment.



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## W. C. T. U. CONVENTIONS.

Biennial Convention World's W. C. T. U. Toronto, Ont., Canada, Oct. 23-26, 1897.

Annual Convention National W. C. T. U. Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 29 to Nov. 3, 1897.

Annual Convention Indiana W. C. T. U., South Bend, Oct. 8-11, 1897.

## CALL TO PRAYER.

As Evangelistic Superintendent of the World's and National W. C. T. U., it has been my custom to issue a call for a day of prayer, previous to each convention. Repeatedly, of late, the request has come from different Nations and individual for a week of prayer for our great cause. Therefore, in view of the three important Conventions from October 20th to November 3rd, 1897, and the need of special guidance and wisdom, I call upon our Unions all round the world, to observe the dates herein designated, for special prayer and an arousing of interest and enthusiasm in all departments of our work.

A spirit of unrest is abroad in the earth. Nations are on the verge of war. Hundreds have perished in Armenia, and are perishing in India, Greece and elsewhere. Popular discontent prevails. Capital and Labor are in conflict. Sin, poverty and sorrow abound. Multitudes are still enthralled by alcohol, opium and impurity. Our hope is in the God of Nations. Let us daily and unitedly draw near to Him, for a fresh anointing of the spirit. Confession of our sins and mistakes, and a new consecration to His service.

The hour from 11 to 12 A. M. has been greatly blessed as the evangelistic and devotional hour of National, State and County Conventions in every part of the United States. A strong desire prevails that it be thus observed in our World's Convention and all affiliated Countries. Hence, I designate this hour, for the daily service of the Local Unions. When only one day can be observed, let day be Wednesday, October 20th. and the programme condensed for a single service. But, whenever possible, let us convene daily at 11 A. M. for the week set apart. How fitting and beautiful, as the delegates from every part of the world gather in Convention, that our "White Ribboners" in the home Unions assemble daily, to pray for the Conventions and our varied work.

## PROGRAM.

### MORNING SESSION.

Scripture Topic—Waiting for the Spirit, Acts 1, 4. As Spirit of Power, Acts 1:5, 8. Of Love, Gal. 5:22.

Prayer Outline—For the outpouring of the Spirit upon our White Ribboners everywhere: For an increase of vital power and christian love, as preparation for better service. Prayer for our three Conventions, especially for the Dominion W. C. T. U. now assembled. For Grace and Guidance for our Leaders, and wisdom in all sessions, that our work may be greatly advanced. Prayer for our Rulers—for the Cities where we meet, and their Homes and Churches. For the overthrow of Intemperance, Impurity, War and Oppression, and the reign of Purity and Peace.

Hymns—White Ribbon Hymnal, Pages, 117, 59, 123.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Topic—The Light of the World.

Scripture—John viii, 12; Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world. Matthew v, 14; Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Matthew v, 16; Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. Luke x, 28, 38; Good Samaritan.

Prayer Outline—For the Nations and Rulers of the World. The purification of Governments. Arousing of public conscience. Sabbath Observance. The enforcement of Law. Overthrow of the Liquor Traffic. Prayer for Peace and Arbitration. For Christian Unity. For those bound by Appetite. Prayer for our Churches, Organizations of Labor—For the Press—Our Institutions of Learning. For the Home and the homeless, weary and broken hearted. For those who struggle amid

poverty and temptation, for the rich and the prosperous, that they may remember their stewardship. Prayer for our "Round the World Missionaries," and all Missions at home abroad. Prayer for all Christian and Philanthropic Organizations. Especially for our W. C. T. U., that the tie may be strengthened which binds us to our Divine Leader, and to each other.

Hymns—Pages, 7, 43, 133.

### EVENING SESSION.

Topic Consecration.

Scripture—The Call to Consecration, Malachi, iii, 10, 12. The Results of Consecrations, Job, 22:23, 29.

Hymns—Pages, 127, 149.

Outline—Confession of our sin and shortcoming. Consecration of the Past—Present—Future; Of Ourselves. Body, Soul, Spirit. Prayer for deliverance from jealousy, envy, self seeking, irritability, self-love, worldliness, pride and prejudice. For a baptism of Christlike love, unselfishness and self sacrifice. Silent prayer and waiting for surrender to the Holy Spirit, and a fresh anointing for service.

Temperance Doxology and Benediction.

ELIZABETH W. GREENWOOD,

Superintendent Evangelistic Department.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters:—Many earnest efforts are being made in South Bend for the entertainment and care of our State Convention to be held there Oct. 8 to 11th. The committees are planning broadly and with much enthusiasm. They have succeeded in securing the co-operation of the best citizens of the city. The members of the Clergy, and the press have been most cordial in their efforts to assist the Local Committees in their work. The musicians have been generous in offering their services to the Convention and will contribute largely toward the success of the meetings.

A special service of prayer in every Union is desired for our Annual meeting.

Let all delegates go to the Convention praying for the success of the work of the Convention in all its various phases.

The State Treasurer's books have closed for dues but if any Local Union or County Union has decided to honor one of their members by making her a life member in the State Union send the money to the State Treasurer, the certificate will be filled out, framed and sent to South Bend that it may there be presented to the sister thus loved and honored. Life membership is twenty-five dollars. If secured by a Local or County Union five dollars is allowed the Union securing the membership.

According to the certificate plan one and one-third rate has been granted for the South Bend Convention on all the Railroads. Those desiring to secure such rates should ask the ticket agents, at once if they have the certificates on hand.

Let every Union send its full quota of delegates, the President, one delegate at large, one delegate for every twenty paid members. It is surely a mistake for a Union to fail to send its delegates to the State Convention.

Let each delegate be in attendance at the opening meeting.

The program has been made one day and evening shorter than usual so that each hour will have much in it of importance.

That we may be able to adjourn on Monday evening arrive home on Tuesday evening it will be absolutely necessary to adhere strictly to the program giving no person an extension of time.

The State Executive Committee will meet on Thursday after noon Oct. 7th at 2 o'clock. Let every County President be there on time.

Yours for a good Convention,  
L. F. McWHIRTER.

## PROGRAM FOR STATE CONVENTION.

Friday morning, October 8, 8 o'clock. Convention called to order by the President. Opening services in charge of Mrs. W. M. Stahl, Hartford City.

9:00—Roll call of officers.

Reading of Minutes.

Report of Executive Committee meeting.

Appointing of Committees.

10:45—Presidents annual address.

11:30—Evangelists' hour, in charge of the Sup't.

12:00—Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00—Scripture reading, prayer, Mrs. J. M. Rheubottom, Wakarusa.

2:10—Corresponding Secretary's Report.

2:30—Treasurer's Report.

2:50—"The Message."

3:25—Fair Cottage.

4:30—Industrial School.

4:40—Introduction of visitors and fraternal delegates. Unfinished and miscellaneous business.

5:00—Adjournment.

### FRIDAY EVENING.

7:30—Devotional Service.

7:45—Address of welcome:

On behalf of the city, Mayor Schafer

On behalf of the churches, Rev. C. D. Case, Pastor Baptist Church

On behalf of the schools, Mr. Myron Campbell, President of the School Board

On behalf of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Eva Taggart, President Cental Union

Response. Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, Indianapolis.

Song. "Ring out."

Medal Contest, in charge of the State Sup't.

Report of the Department.

Report of the Judges.

Awarding the medal.

### SATURDAY MORNING.

7:45—Prayer and praise service, Mrs. Trish, Warsaw, Ind.

8:15—Fifteen minutes to collect enrollment blanks.

8:30—Convention in charge of the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents.

Reports of Superintendents.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

1:50—Scripture and prayer, Mrs. Rose Grismere, Churubusco.

2:00—Report of Committee on Credentials.

2:20—Election of officers.

3:20—Election of Hadley Board.

4:20—Election of Central Committee.

4:30—Introduction of visitors and fraternal delegates.

Unfinished and miscellaneous business.

5:00—Adjournment.

### SATURDAY EVENING.

7:30—Music L. T. L.

Scripture reading, L. T. L. Secretary.

Prayer, Y Secretary.

Music.

Address by Master James B. Gipe, Indianapolis; Indiana's L. T. L. delegate to W. C. T. U. Convention.

8:00—Address by Miss Margaret Wintringer, Austin Ills., State Sup't L. T. L.

8:20—L. T. L. Secretary's Report.

Indiana's Song.

8:40—Address by Mrs. Emma Cranmer, Honorary President, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Y Secretary's Report.

Collection.

3:30 o'clock, Sunday afternoon Mass Meeting.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON.

8:00—Praise Service, Mrs. Trego, Ohio.

8:30—Reading Minutes.

Report of Executive Committee meeting.

Election of Superintendents, Associate Evangelists and Organizers.

9:30—Reports from our Organizers.

10:00—Report of Plan of Work.

10:45—Report of Resolution Committee.

11:00—Introduction of visitors.

Unfinished and miscellaneous business.

22:00—Noontide prayer.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON.

1:45—Memorial service, Vice-President in charge.

2:15—Reporting National Delegates.

Appointing standing committees.

Introduction of visitors.

Unfinished business.

3:15—Miss Anna Downey, Evanston, Ills., National Sup't Christian Citizenship.

5:00—Adjournment.

### MONDAY EVENING.

7:30—Devotional Service.

Five minute speeches by County Presidents.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

DEAR SISTERS:—The Superintendents have all sent their blanks to you for your report of work done in different departments. These should all be filled out and sent back to the State Superintendent by September 20th.

Make your answers as definite as possible. To the question "How many pages of Literature have been distributed?" do not say "some" or "a few leaflets" but give the number of papers. If you have not kept an account, give the approximate number, because only the numbers can be counted.

If you are a local Sup't of some department and have received no report blank, send a written report of what you have done to the State Sup't of that department.

Do not think because you have done only a little that it is not worth reporting, for "a great sum is made up of many littles."

Report, and report by the 20th of September.

Yours Sincerely,  
Culla J. Vayhinger.

EDITOR OF MESSAGE:—I would like to tell you in a few words of our work at the poor farm, last summer our hearts were touched when we learned that no regular religious service had ever been held there.

We arranged to go out the first Sunday of every month from April to November and were always blessed by doing so, we found questioning the inmates that several were Christians, had been members of the church since their youth, all were encouraged to speak for Jesus and several seemed very glad. At the meeting held in November a little Frenchman took my hand and thanked me for coming, to tell them of Jesus; he said "I was brought up a Catholic but this is the same dear Jesus I have loved since I was twelve years old, and in the nine years I have been here, I have never heard a prayer to Him until you ladies came."

Last Sunday a very good meeting was held. This is a part of our regular work. We are also to have a meeting in the jail and are to place a distributing library there.

We expect to send a barrel of provisions to Indianapolis on September 12th.

Yours,  
T. D. Auderman.

### FAIRS.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:—Please fill out blanks, which you have all received from me, and return at your earliest possible convenience.

And do not fail to report all work done.

Yours for a good report,  
Ada B. Leck, State Sup't.

### ALMANAC FOR 1898.

The young Woman's Branch of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union presents to the public, in ample season each year, its most helpful and artistic calendar. For 1898 the World's White Ribboners have united in contributing to the pages matter expressly prepared. Miss Willard, Lady Henry Somerset, Miss Agnes Slack, Mrs. Sanderson, Miss Anna Gordon with some of the leading World's Superintendents of Departments are among the number. Writings and pictures never published before will appear in the Almanac, besides a happy

group of "Associates" surrounding Miss Parish and the Editor and Publisher of "The Union Signal" combine for another pleasant page. Illustrations are also given of the Music Halls where the World's Convention in Toronto, and the National Convention in Buffalo are to be held. The whole will form a most interesting yearly compendium and a beautiful souvenir encompassed in a cover of gold and white specially designed, and brought out with great care by the Woman's Publishing Association of Chicago, Ill. Only a limited edition has been published to be sold for the benefit of the Seventh Round-the-World Missionary Miss Clara Parrish.

Price 25cents. 10 cents on each copy sold going to that fund. Send orders at once to, Mrs. Frances B. Yarnall, 1011 Park Ave., New York, N. Y.

DEAR MESSAGE:—How eager we are to read your pages when you come to our homes and see what our women are doing in Indiana. I have discovered that only three copies of our State paper is taken by Y girls. I would urge each Union, to take at least ten copies if you cannot each one subscribe, we must be in touch with one another, and intelligent if we would render good service.

Which Union will be the first to take twelve copies?

See what Mrs. Frances Barnes has to say about the Y Almanac of 1898.

I received a letter from Miss Clara Parrish from Tokyo, Japan, dated Aug. 14th written to the Indiana Y's: it is about ten feet long written on rice paper, it will be carried to the State Convention at South Bend. Miss Parrish wants to know why Indiana cannot send a representative to some one of the Eastern countries to do Missionary work? What do you think? Let us pray over it and follow the leading of the Lord.

The Marion Co. Convention was a treat, and the work resulting from that visit was the securing of the Y Sec'y in the Central Union, our beloved Mrs. Mary E. Balch. Now dear sisters, you who have less care and less to do, can't you do likewise and let us have a Y Branch in every Union. Mapleton W. C. T. U. reception at the home of Mrs. McClintock was the most enjoyable affair; several names were secured for a Y Branch and I know those noble women will make the work attractive and hold those bright young women and men.

West Indianapolis will be heard from later. Quite a good deal of personal work was done there and many expect a Branch soon.

I would like to tell of the grand work the girls are doing, but come to the Convention and hear. With love to each temperance co-worker.

I am respectfully,  
Clara M. Sears, State Sec'y.

Mrs. Boleyn, president of the fourth district of Missouri, is wide awake. "Although teaching, and never well and strong, her messages go out to her women week after week, full of suggestions, and directions. She has planned for more speakers and lecturers than any other district president in the State. Two years ago but 14 Unions existed; now there are 30." A determination to push and accomplish the work will conquer in the end. Missouri Unions meet with the same opposition that Indiana women meet with.

What has been done in our sister State can be done in ours. The Unions of the fourth district of Missouri have plenty of money in their treasury because they have pushed the Medal Contest work.

And Indiana can have all the necessary means if the contest work is managed with tact and a courageous heart.

### PORTLAND.

DEAR MRS. BALCH:—We held our county convention yesterday and elected the following officers and superintendents: President, Mrs. Minnie Brotherton, Dunkirk; Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. Fulton, Portland; Rec. Secretary, Sarah Mason, Pennville; Treasurer, Emma Rowe, Red Key.

Evangelistic, Jennie Roberts, Red Key; Literature and Sabbath Observance, Ella Henley, Portland; Social Purity and Impure literature, Miss Annie Current, Red Key; Juvenile, Mrs. Brotherton, Dunkirk; L. T. L., Sarah Mason, Pennville; Franchise, Gertrude Fulton, Portland; Mercy, Lucy Hyatt, Portland; Narcotics and Contests, Mrs. Fannie Calkins, Portland; Press, Miss Annie Current, Red Key; County Fair, Mrs. Harriett Sanders, Portland; Flower Mission, Mary J. Cartwright, Portland; Orphans' Homes, Katie Potter, Portland; Systematic Giving, Miss Annie Current, Red Key.

Do not fail to attend the World's and National Conventions.

Mrs. Marion Dunham, State President of Iowa, is

named on the Prohibition ticket of that State for Sup't. of Pub. Schools.

"Do not take religion into politics." "Why not?" What business has a Christian going where he has to leave his religion behind him.—*Motive.*

The course of study prepared for Local Unions in the different states is giving great satisfaction. Why can not Indiana try the same plan.

Indiana needs more workers. Will not each one of you accept the appeal and seek the other one. Think what this would do for our State with no financial outlay.

Let this issue of "The MESSAGE" be a reminder to every Local Union, to see to it that their full quota of delegates are in attendance at our State Convention and share in its inspiration and enthusiasm.

You will understand why our address seems changed when I tell you the city renumbered their houses. Mrs. McWhirter's new number is 2312 N. College Ave., and Mrs. Whitson's is 3335 N. Meridian St.

Miss Johansdottir of Iceland, said to be a magnetic speaker, and Miss Erickson of Finland, will be in attendance at the World's Convention at Toronto. Delegates from Japan, Spain, Syria, Madagascar, Chili, Hawaii and Egypt. Great Britain will also be in attendance.

The Provincial Christian Endeavor Convention of Canada meets October 7th.

It is worthy of comment that this great organization has given up its last evening to be devoted to Temperance and Prohibition. A clear indication of the views of the young people on this subject.

Lady Henry Somerset and Mr. W. W. Buchanan will be the speakers.

In the little German Principality of Waldeck a decree has been proclaimed that a license to marry will not be granted to any individual who has the habit of getting drunk and if one who has been a drunkard applies for such license he must produce sufficient proof of his reformation to warrant his receiving it. If this could be the case in Indiana and other States it would reduce the number of ruined homes and divorce cases.

The L. T. L. State President of New York in his annual address spoke of the Loyal Temperance Legion as the Life Insurance Policy of the W. C. T. U. whose maturity would over pay all expenditure, and indemnify the mother Union against death, removal or adverse winds of popular disfavor.

Indiana has a State Agent, Mrs. Amanda R. Gordon, of Argos who is very anxious to issue a policy to every Union in the this State. Its a safe investment. Let every Union try it.

Many individuals and some Unions drop out of our work through lack of interest which might never have abated if every member had been a subscriber to the State paper. Dear sisters, it certainly is a mistake if you do not keep posted on your State work. Do not make this mistake any longer but begin at once and see that every member is a subscriber. Only 25 cents in clubs of twelve or more. Remember the Unions whose every member is a subscriber receives a yearly subscription to the Union Signal, free.

Come to the Convention prepared to give your order for the minutes and give the money with the order. We are to have them inside of a month from the time of the Convention. And with the many smiling, earnest, and I believe I will be pardoned for saying, good looking faces looking up at you from those pages, you will want a copy and also want your friends to have one. You ask the price. Well, the Convention will have to settle that. Last year it was 10cents, and postage, 4cents; or express when sent that way. With these pictures in them there is some question about making them 15cents.

Elkhart County reports greatly increased attendance and interest at their County Convention which convened Sept. 21st and 22nd. Dr. Thomas gave a thirty minute talk on the effects of Alcohol on the human system, as a physician sees it, and was fine. Mrs. McWhirter's lecture was very much appreciated. The State Fair Cottage quilt made by the Goshen Union was presented to Mrs. M. A. Tompkins their loved and honored County president. The topics considered were the Press, Evangelistic work, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mother's meetings, Franchise and a summary of the legislation given to us by the Indiana 1897 Assembly of legislators. No change in County officers except the Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. L. C. Phoenix, Middlebury is the newly elected sister. This is a magnificent postal card report. We wish for many such.



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## HADLEY NOTES.

When any one sends word that she wishes to place a girl in the school she should write plainly the child's name and the address of the person to be corresponded with. Date your letter and give county and postoffice address. Try to be as sure as possible that the parties wish to place the child in the school. After a correspondence of considerable length has been carried on and blanks sent and often after waiting to hear and sending a card asking a decision, word comes, "Think I will not send her yet," or "changed my mind," or "Got a home for her," or nothing at all. Then after asking for blanks to be returned no notice is taken of request. About twenty blanks have been sent out. One has been returned properly filled; one returned with satisfactory explanation; one sent without a line so one can tell where it came from; but where are the remainder. Sisters, a little thought and care on your part would save a good deal of trouble for those who spend their time, thought and work with no remuneration. I have tried to teach the children under my care that "Didn't think" and "Don't care" are wrong, and that all wrong is sin. There will be reports of the condition of the school read at the convention and printed in the next number of the "Message." Look after the girls and the blanks now.

## THE STIRRING CAMPAIGN.

For our Hadley Industrial School, is to be repeated, beginning Oct. 15th, and closing Nov. 30th.

Premiums to be paid enroute considering the economy of time and travel which is money.

Any county having five or a less number of Unions, whose every Union holds a contest shall receive, free, a weeks work by one of the organizers.

Any county with six to ten Unions whose every Union holds a contest shall receive a free lecture from our general organizer and lecturer.

Counties having eleven Unions and over which sends in one hundred dollars, proceeds from contests, will receive free an address by one of our National officers or speakers.

Every local union sending in ten dollars proceeds from one contest will receive free an address by one of the State Officers.

Pledge signing is to be one of the particular features of this Campaign. Every local Union reporting 50 signatures or over (counting the temperance and tobacco pledge) will receive one day's service by one of our evangelists.

We will use the W. C. T. U. system and rules and only silver medals. Will use W. C. T. U. books No. 1 and 2. Demorest books No. 1, 2 and 3. Cooper books No. 1, 2 and 3.

Order medals, books and pledge cards from the Superintendent of that department.

Send the money to the State Treasurer. Do not send it to the Treasurer of the Hadley Board, as it will not count in the Stirring Campaign then.

Read carefully, think correctly, act promptly, and work to win. A Stirring Campaign indeed, means agitation, education, advance, ballots, money success.

Cass County holds her Convention Sept. 20th in Broadway M. E. Church.

There is a time for everything, and now is the time for W. C. T. U. workers to report.

Several have written and said that they could not be with us at South Bend. Distance too great and money too scarce.

Jessie Ackerman, spends October 22nd, 23rd and 24th, in Indianapolis. She comes under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

Miami County has Mrs. S. M. I. Henry, National Evangelist, at Amboy, Oct. 5th and 6th. Will hold county convention at that time.

October "Message" is early because of the State Convention; and do not expect the November issue until the 10th or later, because of the National Convention.

Howard County Convention, Sept. 28th and 29th, in the First Baptist Church, Kokomo. A fine program. The work to be done by home talent, of which there is a promising array.

I trust that at the State Convention the remaining orders for the Record Books will be given and this piece of work finished at once. Every Union is the stronger for having a good record.

County and Local Unions should see to it that fraternal delegates are appointed from any woman's clubs or organizations that may be in their locality, for our South Bend annual meeting.

You can buy through tickets at Indianapolis via Colfax and on all the routes for that matter, ticket \$4.25 from Indianapolis to South Bend. Don't fail to get your certificate which gives you the return fare for one-third rate. Notice time on the program via Colfax.

Elizabeth Preston, Tower City, North Dakota, President of that far off State will spend several weeks in Goshen, after the National Convention, and is willing to fill ten dates. Send your letter to her in care of Rev. Asher S. Preston, if you wish to hear this talented lady.

Henry County met at Kennard, Sept. 17th, in her annual convention. In the evening the Kennard Union gave a literary entertainment that reflected great credit upon those taking part and in the management. Officers as follows: President, Mrs. Dr. Lizzie E. Holloway, Spiceland; Vice-President, Mrs. Emma Hedges, Spiceland; Cor. and Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Hogin, Greensboro; Treasurer, Emma Charles, Spiceland.

Vigo County had a Mother's Rest at their County Fair. A place where tired mothers could rest, make their toilet, and get a cup of coffee. Children were cared for. One mother brought two children, a little cripple three year old girl and a baby. She put them to bed about 9:30 a. m., and left them till 10 o'clock p. m., visiting them occasionally. She seemed delighted and gave the women 4 cents to help the cause. Some things cannot be measured by dollars and cents. We are indebted to the "Terre Haute Weekly News" for this item.

The September issue of the "Christian Citizen" has a very impressive frontispiece, entitled "Proclamation", as follows: The National Christian Citizenship League, having declared a National Crusade for the purification of public life, the dethronement of evil and the enthronement of the principles of Jesus Christ in these United States, and having determined that this crusade shall not cease until, in the name of God, it has effected its solemn purpose to make of this a nation whose God is the Lord, appeals to the pure-minded, true-hearted men and women of the republic, who believe with Charles Sumner, that "Righteousness is Preservation," and calls for million volunteers to enlist for the war and report at once to the National Headquarters. Its weapons are ideas, its victory means peace throughout our wide borders and good will to all the nations of the earth. To arms! your country needs you. What is your answer? Mine is this, if their weapons were ballots rather than ideas, I should have hope of the victory. There is no lack of ideas, but great lack of righteous ballots.



## County and Local Unions.

"No chain is stronger than its weakest link."

### A DEPARTMENT FUND.

Indiana has thirty departments not including organization.

Very few Unions can work half of them, and yet every department should have the support of our workers, and the general public be made acquainted with their beneficial qualities. Local and State workers complain of being hindered by the need of money. We offer the following plan as being capable of setting the machinery in full motion.

Each local Union, after appointing her Superintendents, shall take the remaining departments of the State and arrange them into four groups, one for each quarter of the year, and shall as the time comes round hold a Quarterly Department Meeting.

First group in first quarter; second group in second quarter, etc. The Union shall prepare a program. Ten minute papers or addresses on the departments in the group, these with appropriate devotional services and singing will interest the general public, who must be persuaded to be present by wise and tactful advertising. Take a collection. Divide the money you receive in the collection, giving two-fourths to the State, one-fourth to the county and local Union each. These several amounts will constitute a fund for the Superintendent of Local, County and State Union.

Dear sister, this plan is rich in actual work accomplished, if carried out. Every Union having performed its just share of the work and the Gospel preached to many thousand people. The papers written by our women, will have developed mental and spiritual growth, and added many new thoughts, which things make our organization more mighty in its grapple with Satan and legalized sin.

No plan however will work itself. Let us have united, unanimous and unanimity of action.

### CONVENTIONS.

Indiana W. C. T. U. Annual Convention at South Bend, October 8 to 11, one and one-third fare on the ceretified plan. \$6.30 from Indianapolis to ~~South Bend return, via of Colfax~~, where you make close connection and do not have to change depots. Train leaves Indianapolis 7:10 A. M., and reaches South Bend about 1 P. M. If you go over the Big Four to Elkhart and there change for South Bend you leave Indianapolis about 6:30 A. M., and reach Elkhart 12:30 and leave about 3:30 reaching South Bend 4:15. Round trip on this route, about \$6.10. All the counties as follows: Howard, Miami, Grant, Wabash, Huntington, Wells, Adams, and those south of these and east of Indianapolis. If they can make the Vandalia morning train North at Colfax, Logansport or DeLong will be in time for the afternoon Executive Committee Meeting, October 9th, and delegates in time for the Vandalia evening train North at these points, in time for the Convention, Friday A. M., 8 o'clock, Oct. 8th. The south west part of the State will make the best time and as little ticket fare by getting the Vandalia at Terre Haute, Crawfordsville or Colfax.

Delegates should at once consult maps and ticket agents as to time, route and ticket. And every member of the Executive Committee and the Board of Superintendents should plan to be in on time for those meetings. They each have a copy of the program and must be informed on all necessary points.

Delegates should plan to reach South Bend the evening of the 7th, so as to be in time for the Convention in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Eaton from Winterrond have been made delegates to our State Convention.

Delegates badges will cost five cents, and every one buys for themselves. They will be on sale at the Convention Church. They are very neat and pretty.

The chairmen of local committees are as follows: Entertainment, Mrs. Mary E. Paxson, 419 S. Taylor Street.

Reception, Mrs. M. P. Bugbee, 303 S. Main Street. Sunday Services and Music, Mrs. S. E. Babcock, 501 Vistula Ave.

Press, Mrs. W. B. Stover, West Navarre Street. Railroad, Mrs. Minnie J. Wild, 328 N. Main Street. Decoration, Mrs. Dr. Viton, 1719 S. Michigan St. Finance, Mrs. Kate Holler, 559 N. Scott Street. Ushers and Pages, Miss Cora Sierer, 869 W. Water Street.

Buss Lines, Mrs. S. P. Barker, 911 S. Main Street. Mrs. Dr. Viton, 1719 S. Michigan St., South Bend, chairman of decoration committee, would like flags and banners sent early if Unions are willing to pay express charges. All State Supts and County pres-

idents are urged to see that their banners are in the hands of the committee early.

The following prominent workers are expected to be present at the Convention: Mrs. Emma Cranmer, Honorary President South Dakota; Mrs. Tilford, President of Colorado; Mrs. R. J. Trego, of Ohio; Miss Anna Downey, of Illinois; Mrs. Ada Unruh, of Oregon, and our own Mrs. Stahl, recently returned from Alaska.

### LIFE MEMBERSHIP AT \$25.

So reads our State Constitution. Our Mid-Year Executive Committee fixed the division of the money as follows and decided that proceeds of life membership should constitute a fund for organization.

Any Union making a life membership puts \$5 in its treasury and send \$20 to the State. Any County making a life membership makes the same division of the money. If any State worker makes up a life membership the whole amount goes into the State treasury.

If any individual gives one, the whole amount shall go to the State unless the person wishes their Union to have \$5.00.

The State furnishes a handsome certificate, framed ready to hang up where all may see its utility, and not have it stored away in some dark closet for mice to speculate over.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Unions should send in the names of their delegates to the chairman on entertainment, Miss Mary E. Paxson, 419 S. Taylor St., South Bend, and receive their card of entertainment before leaving home.

Please remember, delegates pay for their dinners, Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The last Convention voted that each Union should send 50 cents to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, to provide for any deficits in the expenses.

Mrs. R. J. Trego, Delaware, Ohio, will be with us at our Annual Convention, and desires dates from the 12th of October to the time of the World's Convention. She comes to the Unions on exceedingly good terms.

Write her at once or see her at the Convention, but do not let the opportunity go by. Her subjects are as follows.

"Darkest America."

Hard times, the reason why, from a Woman's stand point."

"Scientific Temperance."

"The W. C. T. U. and its work."

"Mistakes in Home Life."

"Practical Christianity."

"The Secret of Power."

"Sowing and Reaping or Sense and no Sense."

This last will especially interest the young people.

Fountain County held a one day's session at its annual gathering and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Jennie M. Goodrich, Hillsboro; Cor. and Rec. Secretary, Miss Fannie Jester, Kingman; Treasurer, Mrs. H. C. Wyand, Hillsboro, Mrs. Mary M. Spencer, of Kingman, led the devotional meeting in the afternoon and recited "The Loosing Side" with great earnestness and power. Miss Bertha Ellis gave a very pleasant recitation. The Song Leaflets were used and they had appropriate and spirited singing. Mrs. M. E. Balch, State Secretary, made a forty minutes address.

Mrs. Emma Saylor, of Frankfort, State Organizer of L. T. L., organized a Loyal Temperance Legion in Sedalia, August 6th, with a small number, but we hope to increase very soon in number and carry it on bravely. We also had a gospel temperance meeting here July 31st, in the M. E. Church.

ELLA BOYD,

Press Reporter.

Lawrence County Convention was held at Bedford in the Presbyterian Church, the President, Mrs. Holcombe, presiding. The election of officers came in the morning with this result: President, Mrs. Mary Emery; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Burton; Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Barbee; Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Holcombe. The afternoon was occupied with papers, solos and miscellany. Evening, address by Mrs. Gilbert, of Mitchell, and pronounced most excellent. The convention was enjoyed by every one. Emma Bringhaus kindly sent report and we were obliged to make it brief.

### ALTON.

The Alton W. C. T. U. gave a White Ribbon picnic the 24th of August in a beech grove near town. Everybody was invited to come and bring their baskets and they generously responded. Good music was discoursed by a string band, and an organ and choir made the woods ring with gospel songs.

Temperance speeches were made by the pastor of the M. E. Church, Rev. Roger, also M. G. Clinton, a former pastor of the church. Recitations by two young ladies.

The crowning feature of the day was a flag drill, by the L. T. L. conducted by Miss Bettie Dunn, the superintendent of that department, and another of three original songs written for the occasion, two of them were solos by a little boy and girl and called forth rounds of applause as they waved their little flags; the tears came to the eyes of more than one veteran.

A table eighty feet long covered with white and spread with every good thing the heart could wish. Everybody was served by the White Ribboners, who wore white aprons. The stranger within our gates was not forgotten.

Everything was free but coffee and ice cream. Ice cream and confectionary were served from a stand and was liberally patronized and after the expenses, cleared a nice sum of money for the Union.

Literature was distributed and we feel sure that our cause is taking higher ground and that we are making sentiment for the temperance cause.

People tell us that it was the right kind of a picnic and ask when we are to have another. Next year we tell them.

The Eighth Semi-Annual Convention of the Martin County W. C. T. U. was held at Loogootee, Sept. 9th and 10th. Sixteen delegates and eight visitors were reported from Martin County. Six visitors from Daviess County. Mrs. McWhirter was with us and her services were invaluable. The lecture on the evening of the 9th, was one of the strongest ever given here. On the evening of the 10th a gold medal contest was given. First prize was awarded to Miss Hattie Brooks, of Loogootee. Second prize to Miss Edith Twitly, of Shoals. The interest in the Contest work is increasing. We have had six in the County, the proceeds of this, the seventh contest, the largest, \$19.

GEORGINA MOSER.

### A GOOD CHANCE.

Come to our State Convention prepared to avail yourself of this good chance. Miss Addie A. Austin, Chicago, will represent our Publishing House and have a full supply of literature on hand.

Franklin Union has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Sophia C. Fetroe; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Fisher; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. E. E. Covert; Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Addie Buckingham; Treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Dunlap.

La Fayette Central Union officers are as follows: President, Mrs. S. N. Crouse; Vice-President, Mrs. Ruth Blackstock; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Olive Bayless; Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Vaughn; Treasurer, Miss Lizzie Thompson.

Lake County officers: President, Miss Alice M. Sohl, Hammond; Cor. Secretary, Miss Etta Drake, Hammond; Rec. Secretary, Miss Emma Coffin, Crown Point; Treasurer, Miss Victoria M. Fuller, Crown Point.

Fulton County officers: President, Mrs. Jessie Toner; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Ellen S. Shepherd; Rec. Secretary, Mrs. Carrie M. Carlton; Treasurer, Mrs. May Long.

Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack spends a week in Clinton County, beginning the 20th of September. Spends four days in De Kalb County beginning September 30th. Spends October 6th in La Grange County for their Convention.

The faithful, energetic worker, Mrs. Rhoda Russell, of Riley, has been for months confined to her home by sickness, and the work has felt the loss of its leader. Let our prayers go out for this sister that she may soon be restored to lead on to victory.

Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville, who served Morgan County so long as Corresponding Secretary, was made the President. Some other changes to be reported later. They report a good Convention held September 14th.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power, But  
by My Spirit"

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Dear Sisters—Please take notice that many of your clubs for the *Message* will expire with next month. Begin now to secure renewals as well as new subscribers. Let us make our subscription list equal to our membership. We can with a little effort do it. Who will send in the first club?

Miss Marie C. Brehm, who is so well and favorably known in our State, is now available for dates beginning the first of January. Those desiring to engage her please notify me by the 1st of December, as other States are calling her. Morgan county gave her a week's work last winter and now calls her back for another week. Madison county president writes they will take her for a week. Others are trying to arrange dates for her and will report at an early date.

While in our State last winter, a minister, then a Republican but now a Prohibitionist, hesitatingly gave way for her during his revival meetings. He now wants to engage her for two weeks' revival work. We are glad to know that ministers as well as W. C. T. U. people are realizing the fact that the Gospel of Temperance does not hinder revival work.

All communications in regard to dates for Miss Brehm should be addressed to

MRS. AMANDA T. WHITSON.  
3335 north Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

## A BREEZE FROM THE WORLD'S CONVENTION.

We reached Canada the forenoon of October 22 and spent the afternoon in the Dominion W. C. T. U. Convention. Although the Dominion is an English province, the Convention was decidedly American. "The Declaration of Principles," or resolutions, was the main topic of discussion that afternoon, and resolutions were amended and stricken out, referred and tabled, lost and carried, just as they are at home; and when a good thing was carried to the satisfaction of the Convention, a great, hearty "Hear! hear!" resounded through the pavilion. The evening of the 22d, the Dominion W. C. T. U. gave the World's delegates a welcome, which took the form of a banquet. Handsomely appointed tables filled the great pavilion, at which 300 guests were seated. After the material wants of the guests had been satisfied, the speaking of the evening commenced by Miss Willard, who proposed the Queen's health in a harmless glass of lemonade. Then followed toasts to the World's officers, British, American, foreign fraternal delegates and others, which were responded to with alacrity and wit, and the speakers were greeted with hearty applause of appreciation. And it was a late hour when the large gathering broke up, highly satisfied with the auspicious opening of the great convention.

The morning of the 23d, the Convention opened in the pavilion, which had been most beautifully decorated, for our coming, with banners and flags from all over the world and beautiful selection of flowers and palms. At 10 o'clock the large assemblage of delegates from all points of the world, including hundreds of visitors from Canada and the United States, was called to order by the president, Miss Frances E. Willard. The main feature of the morning was Miss Willard's address, and it was a beautiful and unique sight to see Miss Willard in the midst of the foreign delegations in their picturesque costumes and hear her say "Beloved Comrades," a lovely way she has of calling us, and then we felt we were indeed a part of the world's large family. Her address was beautiful, strong, pathetic, practical, and proved without doubt the high tribute that was paid her by a Toronto paper, "The brightest woman of the century," and don't forget, sisters, *she is our chieftain*.

Mary H. Hunt told us of the onward march of scientific temperance all over the world. Mrs. Wilbur

Crafts, world's superintendent of Sunday school work, said "that churches were always slow to take up new movements, and it might be that this department was not favorably regarded by some of the churches." However, great gains had been made the past two years. Jennie Fowler Willing told the story of her training school in New York for W. C. T. U. evangelists, and many, many other excellent and hopeful reports were made and many things could be said, and you ought to know them, but the smallness of our paper will not permit of more; but the way to do is to send for your representative and have her report it. I represented the following counties: Grant, Blackford, Jay, Randolph, Delaware, Madison, Hancock, Henry, Rush, Wayne, Union, Fayette, Decatur, Shelby, Franklin and Johnson.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters—At the beginning of another year I greet you with a heart full of appreciation for loyal support given me in the several capacities in which I have served during the years of the past. I feel greatly honored to be the recipient of the confidence and esteem of the White Ribboners of Indiana and to again be chosen their president. It will be my aim to do the work faithfully and well.

Our state convention was held, you know, on the border line of Michigan, at South Bend, it being directly en route from the northwest to the World's and National Conventions at Toronto and Buffalo. We were favored by the presence of several National workers who added much to the interest and enthusiasm. How I do wish that each one of you could have been there. Great spiritual power was manifested in the meetings of the convention. Many of us received a spiritual uplift which, we hope, will better fit us for our work.

The annual reports, containing the minutes of the state convention, the officers' and superintendent's reports are now about ready to be sent out. No officer or superintendent can afford to be without a copy. Surely, if you have not ordered, you will do so at once, sending 15 cents in postage to Mrs. Balch. When you read these reports, remember that figures do not always indicate the efforts made. Much work is reported and much has been done that has not been reported. Many consecrated christian women have come into our ranks. Reform work is hard work, hence those who prefer to drift with the tide do not long affiliate with us. It is the great hearted, broad minded, useful christian women that espouse a cause so great in its purposes and so grand in its achievements. Our thousands of White Ribboners in Indiana are as loyal and true as this nation can boast.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Our neglect to assemble the people together in public meetings is cause for alarm. The prosperous Unions are those that realize that constant public agitation is an absolute necessity. "What would become of the churches if some wandering minister preached a single sermon at intervals of from three to six months, and even then the meeting poorly advertised? A little handful might meet to pray every week, but how long would it take to christianize the communities? To secure the best results we must have both hands hard at work and the public preaching of the blessed gospel of temperance, purity and peace."

## PRESS.

From the National superintendent of Press Department I quote the following: "Will you not volunteer as press superintendents the coming year? We have the papers, we have the space, we have friendly editors eager for news, but we have not the women to occupy the space so willingly given. If you hear a

bright bit of news about our work, won't you tell it? Pass on the good reports. *Make your meetings so interesting that the local editor must perforce look them up.* Discuss live topics of the day and let the editors know you are going to do so. Notify the papers of the coming of distinguished White Ribboners to your city, and arrange interviews for them. Make friends of reporters. The consensus of opinion among our state press workers is, that it is easier to get space in the papers than to find women to fill it. If we fail in securing attention it is because of our own lack of interest. Will you all push the press along this year, for how can the story be told and the world made better if we have not the women to publish the glad tidings? Write news, not editorials. Each paper has its own editorial staff. We are accused of being too preachy. Don't be preachy. We are accused of chronicling trivial things. Don't chronicle trivial things. If we blow not the horn, telling of our work, no one will blow it for us."

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

In every community there are some kind of young people's societies. These prepare outline programs for six months or a year in advance. Urge members of program committee to favor live, up-to-date subjects. Send 2 cent stamp for catalogue to our Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago, Ill. From it order a few cents' worth of leaflets and put into the hand of some fair minded member of the committee. Miss Anna Downey's leaflets, containing programs, are fine for this purpose and are sold at 1 cent each. We must not fail to recognize the great possibilities of the young people's societies and cautiously urge them to seek information in regard to legalized sin, which will cause a quickening of their pulses and create within them desires which will find expression in the church, the school and the state.

## MEMBERSHIP.

The greatest need of the Indiana W. C. T. U. is more women who are willing to consecrate their ability and efforts to this cause. An honor roll at the next state convention will contain the names of all Unions making an increase of five or more members this year. Will you make an effort to have your Union on this honor roll? While I write, I am sensible of a great longing to look into your faces and hear you say "I'll do my best this year." Sisters, while you are busy, write your plans and your work. Please remember to pray for the state officers and superintendents many times. We have felt the influence of your prayers. We need that influence just now in our planning for the year.

Yours in loving service,

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

## FAIR COTTAGE DEBT CANCELLED.

On the night of October 27 our Fair Cottage burned to the ground, caused by the burning of the hotel adjoining. Some of the contents were saved. The insurance on building and contents was \$600. The company deducted \$25.00 for goods saved and has paid us \$575. This will entirely pay our indebtedness on the Fair Cottage and leave money in the treasury.

Carrie M. Taylor, press superintendent for Dana Union, writes: "Perhaps you think Dana is dead. Not so. It is an evergreen Union, hard at work." She sent their local paper with a copy of their first column, and gave a list of departments, saying, "Every woman is at work; we will not tolerate drones."

Ellen K. Denny, Superintendent of Jails, Prisons and Mines, is in our state ready for work. Unions in our county seats should love Mrs. Denny for that special line of work. "I was sick and in prison, and ye visited me."





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Dear Sunday School Workers—The fourth Sunday of November is the Universal Temperance Sunday. We should begin at once to make plans for the observance of the day. Last year a call for its observance was made by our department. This year we have an announcement concerning the day in circular form. We ask our workers to give this announcement a wide circulation. It should be presented personally or sent to every pastor, Sunday school superintendent and president of the young people's society, and printed in all daily papers a week previous to Temperance Sunday. A wise use of this announcement will result in a grand, concerted effort for temperance on November 28. I have sent for a limited supply of these announcements and will be glad to send to any who will make use of them. While we urge you to secure temperance sermons, to hold Sunday school rallies, mass meetings, etc., on November 28, we recommend that your special effort be made in the Sunday school. As an aid to this, the national superintendent has issued a program for the Sunday school hour, requesting the local unions to give careful attention to this department in the month of November, holding a department tea-meeting and securing a fund for literature, etc., to be used on Universal Temperance Sunday. The local superintendent should call together her temperance secretaries (she should have one in each Sunday school) and plan systematic effort.

On November 28 our department will begin to secure pledges for our National Sunday school pledge chain. The department will provide red, white and blue pledge cards (such as were used for the World's Fair) and through local superintendents, temperance secretaries and other helpers, will secure the names of all pledged members of the Sunday schools. These cards are to be tied together with white "baby" ribbon and sent by local superintendent to her respective state superintendent, who will make the pledge chain for her state; displaying the same at state convention and then sending it on to the National superintendent, who will make the National Sunday school pledge chain, which can be displayed very effectively at the National Convention next year. All this to stimulate pledge work and present an impressive object lesson to the public. The record of the pledge work in each Sunday school should be kept by the temperance secretary on the pledge roll of honor, which every Sunday school should have. Our National superintendent has asked editors and publishers of Sunday school papers in the United States to give us a Temperance issue for the fourth week of November and in honor of our Temperance day. The response has been encouraging, and is this not a step in the direction of great good for our department and the Temperance cause in general? Show your appreciation by ordering extra copies of such papers and distributing them in mission schools and in places where they have few papers to read. Observe the papers that are in a "temperance dress" on November 28 and write a word of appreciation to the editors.

We call attention to the *Young Crusader*. Remember that by ordering of Miss Georgiana Moser, Loggostee, Ind., in clubs of ten, you can secure it a year for 12 cents a copy. Get it into the Sunday schools. Then the *Crusader* Supplement ought to be in the hands of

every superintendent and teacher of a Sunday school. The November issue promises to be a valuable one.

We have made the above appeal to you, knowing that you will respond loyally. We give the list of helps that you will need for the week on November 28: *Crusader* Supplement, 65 cents per 100. Send to W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago. For each of the following send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, St. Paul, Minn.: Announcement of Universal Temperance Sunday, Program for Sunday School Hour, Program for Department Meeting, each 15 cents per 100, postpaid; Program for Sunday School Temperance Rally, 50 cents per 100, postpaid; Pledge Cards for National Sunday School Pledge Chain, 25 cents per 100, postpaid. Leaflets: "A Study of the Pledge for Primary Workers," by Stella B. Irvine, 15 cents per 100, postpaid; "Temperance and the Bible," by Mrs. C. B. Teeple, 15 cents per 100, postpaid; "The Sunday School Temperance Lessons," by Amos R. Wells, 20 cents per 100, postpaid.

The work of the year is opening favorably. Letters of inquiry are coming to me, of which I am always glad. I hope those whom I met at the State Convention, who were so interested in the work, will not forget to write me. Let us begin early, asking God's blessings upon our efforts.

Yours for Service,

ALICE G. GEARY,

730 North street, Logansport, Ind. State Superintendent.

## L. T. L. BRANCH.

My Dear Sisters—The past year has been one of advancement along L. T. L. lines. There have been a number of new Legions organized, and a prospect for more. Our third state convention was a grand success, and instilled animation and enthusiasm into the hearts of our young people, so that we may hope for much from them in the years to come. The class of graduates numbered 43.

Let us be diligent in securing dues this year. We ought to pay into the national treasury this year our \$50.00, that we may be represented at the National. Our State is grouped among those standing first in advanced work, but if we allow our dues to fall short, I fear we will be on the backward track. The same premiums are offered this year as last, viz: To Legions paying \$3.00, one copy one year of the *Young Crusader*; Legions paying \$5.00, two copies one year, and to Legions paying the greatest amount over \$5.00, a prize banner, to be presented at the convention at South Bend. I hope you will secure one of these. I will have the plan of work ready soon.

Let us not sit idle or grow weary when there is such a great work before us, and the young people are calling to us. Plan to attend the convention at LaFayette. Hoping to hear a good report from you, I am,

Yours faithfully, for the young people,

AMANDA R. GORDON,

State Branch Secretary.

The Porter county convention was held Oct. 6th at Hebron. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mary E. Hall, Valparaiso; recording secretary, Mrs. Jane Sampson, Hebron; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Rice, Valparaiso; treasurer, Miss Alice Keach, Valparaiso. Much interest was manifested and we were favored with a delegation of visitors from Lake county. A mass meeting was held in the evening, at which Mrs. Church spoke.

ELIZABETH RICE,

Corresponding Secretary.

Sedalia Union had what they call a "Fish Pond" festival a few weeks ago, and all those who purchased supper drew something. We are sorry to add that we are going to lose two of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Johnson, as they are going to LaFayette to live. But they can be there for the next state convention and can join that Union, so they will not be out of a Union.

ELLA BOYD,

Local Press Reporter.

FREELANDVILLE, IND., Oct. 8, 1897.

Dearly Beloved Co-Workers—I thought perhaps you would like to know what the little town of Freelandville and vicinity is doing for the cause of temperance. On June 6th, 1895, Mrs. Lottie Terry and Mrs. Barrows, of Bicknell, organized a Woman's Christian Temperance Union here. Eighteen names were received for membership. During the first year we held seventeen meetings, one entertainment and one contest.

Mrs. Cammack gave us one lecture, and Foster Stone lectured for us one week. The second year we held twenty-four meetings, one entertainment and three contests; Mrs. Ellen Denny lectured two nights. The third year so far we have held seventeen meetings, three contests; Mary Hadley gave one lecture and Mother Trisch worked with us for one week. At present we have forty members, each one with her trust in God, working, ever working, never wavering, never doubting, for Christ our leader says, "Fear not, little flock" for "Lo, I am with you always." DELANA WALKER, Superintendent of County Press Work.

HARTFORD CITY, IND., Oct. 14, 1897.

Editor Message—Blackford county annual convention was held Sept. 29-30 at Montpelier. The Mother's meeting conducted by Mrs. Anna Lee was a season of profit to all. The officers elected for the coming year are: President, Mrs. M. H. Stahl, Hartford City; treasurer, Mrs. S. Emsweller, Hartford City; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. T. Knight, Hartford City; recording secretary, Mrs. T. Racer, Millgrove. On Wednesday evening Mrs. Stahl gave her address on Alaska. The house was crowded to hear her. The convention was hospitably entertained by the Montpelier Union.

Adjourned to meet in April in Hartford City.

TERRE HAUTE, IND., Oct. 31, 1897.

The Vigo County convention of the W. C. T. U., was held at Trinity M. E. Church, Friday, Oct. 25, 1897. The convention was well attended. A delicious lunch was served in the church. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. S. E. Joice, 1214 North 11th street, Terre Haute, Ind.; treasurer, Mrs. Ethel E. Bair, 678 4th avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Annie E. Palmateer, 912 Chestnut street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Scientific Temperance, Narcotics, Mrs. Johanna Finley, 1220 South 5th street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Press Work, Miss Rose Brothers, 609 Ohio street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Flower Mission, Mrs. Fouts, 1222 North 4th street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Parliamentary, Mrs. Ethel Bair, 678 4th avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.; Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Sue Fettus, 722 North 5th street, Terre Haute, Ind.; recording secretary, Mrs. E. Jane Shirley, 655 3d avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.

Superintendents of Departments: Jail and Prison, Annie E. Palmateer, 912 Chestnut street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Mary Ugeth, 706 North 8th street, Terre Haute, Ind.; Literature, Mrs. Platz, 1209 3d avenue, Terre Haute, Ind.

Much interest was shown in the work, and we trust a new impetus will be given the work. Rev. Mountain, pastor of Trinity church, delivered an address in the evening, which was imposing and filled those present with new zeal for future work. Sixteen new members added to our Union. Mrs. Fannie Coyle, superintendent of Press and Mothers' departments of 16th district Ill. W. C. T. U., was present to wish the Union God-speed in all departments.

Fraternally,

ANNIE E. PALMATEER,

Terre Haute, Ind.

Corresponding Secretary.

## W. C. T. U.

"For God and home and native land".

The semi-annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Washington county, was held in the Presbyterian church, at Livonia, Friday, Oct. 1st. The president, Mrs. Florence Gresham, in the chair. The following officers and superintendents were elected: President, Mrs. L. D. Barnett, Hardinsburg; secretary, Mrs. Lida Butler, Hardinsburg; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg; Evangelistic, Miss Hannah Alburton, Salem; Literature, Mrs. Overman, Salem; Medal Work, Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg; Sunday School Work, Mrs. J. K. Howard, Livonia; Scientific Instruction, Mrs. Jessie Wright, Livonia; Press Work, Mrs. Fannie B. Ellis, Hardinsburg. Several good papers were read and discussed. Miss Mary Wright recited "The women on a strike" with great earnestness and power. The convention was enjoyed by all present and closed to meet at Fredericksburg some time in May.

Silver contests will be held at the M. E. Church, Hardinsburg, Oct. 29. This makes eighteen silver contests, six gold and two silver grey. We are glad to announce that great interest is taken in these contests and the truths that the families and friends of these speakers get out of their pieces means growth to the temperance cause.

S. P. W.

Hardinsburg, Ind.



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 Delaware—Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, Eaton.  
 Dubois—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.  
 Elkhart—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Fountain—Mrs. Jennie M. Goodrich, Hillsboro.  
 Fulton—Mrs. Jessie Toner, Kewana.  
 Gibson—Mrs. J. E. Jenkins, Princeton.  
 Grant—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.  
 Greene—Mrs. Jennie Longworth, Worthington.  
 Hamilton—Mrs. Mary Furnace, Sheridan.  
 Hancock—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
 Hendricks—Mrs. Libbie Chandler, Friendswood.  
 Henry—Dr. Lizzie E. Holloway, Spiceland.  
 Howard—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
 Huntington—Mrs. Mary Mohler, 94 East State street, Huntington.  
 Jay—Mrs. Minnie Brotherton, Dunkirk.  
 Johnson—Mrs. Anna Alexander, Whiteland.  
 Knox—Mrs. Arrah Polk, Freelandville.  
 Kosciusko—Mrs. Minnie Stewart, Pierceton.  
 LaGrange—  
 Lake—Miss Alice M. Sohl, Hammond.  
 LaPorte—Mrs. Dr. Paxton, LaPorte.  
 Lawrence—Mrs. Mary Emery, Bedford.  
 Madison—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.  
 Marshall—Mrs. E. H. Blaine, Plymouth.  
 Marion—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Capitol avenue, Indianapolis.  
 Martin—Miss Susie Majors, Loogootee.  
 Miami—Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, Amboy.  
 Monroe—Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Newton—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
 Noble—Mrs. Laura A. Teal, Ligonier.  
 Orange—Mrs. Lula D. Boyd, Paoli.  
 Parke—Mrs. Jennie Newlin, Bloomington.  
 Porter—Mrs. Mary E. Hall, Valparaiso.  
 Posey—Mrs. Eva Everston, Mt. Vernon.  
 Pulaski—Mrs. Laura Wise, Francesville.  
 Randolph—Mrs. G. W. Ross, Union City.  
 Rush—Mrs. Laura Leonard, Arlington.  
 Shelby—Mrs. Josie Dicks, Shelbyville.  
 Steuben—Mrs. Hannah L. Willamar, Pleasant Lake.  
 Sullivan—Mrs. Hattie M. Harper, Merom.  
 Switzerland—Mrs. Mary K. Smith, Vevay.  
 Tippecanoe—Mrs. S. D. Curtis, LaFayette.  
 Union—Mrs. Z. H. Stanley, Liberty.  
 Vanderburg—Mrs. L. M. Whistler, 623 Locust street, Evansville.  
 Vigo—Mrs. R. L. Russell, Riley.  
 Wabash—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
 Warren—Mrs. Jessie Butler, Ambia, Benton county.  
 Warrick—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Newburg.  
 Washington—Mrs. Lida D. Barnett, Hardinsburg.  
 Wayne—Rev. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
 Wells—Mrs. D. E. Studebaker, Bluffton.  
 White—Mrs. Mattie Armstead, Monon.  
 Whitley—Mrs. Elma Emerson, South Whitley.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Work Among Colored People—Mrs. Mary Sims, Central avenue and 26th street, Indianapolis.  
 Work Among Foreigners—Mrs. Alma Kilmer, Warren.  
 Health, Heredity Physical Culture—Miss Clara P. Boyd, Rockville.  
 W. C. T. U. Normal Institute—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Sunday School Work—Mrs. Alice Geary, 730 North st., Logansport.  
 Scientific Temperance Work—Miss Ada White, Oxford.  
 Parliamentary Usage—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
 Medal Contests—Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.  
 Temperance Literature—Miss Georgiana Moser, Loogootee.  
 Press—Miss Florence Vance, Frankfort.  
 Purity—Mrs. Frances Boyer, Frankfort.  
 Narcotics—Mrs. Fannie Calkins, Portland.  
 Orphans' Home and Homeless Children—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, Wabash.  
 Peace and Arbitration—Mrs. Louvinia Bailey, Spiceland.  
 Relation of Temperance and Labor, Law and Statistics—Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount.  
 Household Economics—Mrs. Mary A. Moody, 127 St. Marys street, Indianapolis.  
 Systematic Giving—Mrs. D. M. Shelt, Jeffersonville.  
 Evangelistic—Rev. Ella J. Davis, 146 Kinsey street, Richmond.  
 Police Matron—Mrs. Anna Buchanan, Indianapolis.  
 Railroad Employees—Mrs. Libbie Chandler, Richmond.  
 Mercy—Mrs. Lou E. Ball, Huntington.  
 Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners—Mrs. Ellen K. Denney, 820 North 5th street, Vincennes.  
 Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 South Branson street, Marion.  
 Communion Wine—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis.  
 Sabbath Observance—Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
 Flower Mission—Mrs. Reba Insley, Terre Haute.  
 State and County Fairs—Mrs. Ida Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.  
 Franchise and Christian Citizenship—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

## ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thorntown.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.

## ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, 1123 South Branson street, Marion.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francesville.  
 Miss Libbie Taber, LaPorte.

## HADLEY NOTES.

Names and addresses of Board of Trustees: Miss Lucretia Hobart, president, 667 Virginia avenue, Indianapolis; Mrs. M. J. Flick, vice-president, Lawrence, Marion Co., Ind.; Mrs. Phoebe R. Curryer, corresponding secretary, 1320 College avenue, Indianapolis; Mrs. Mattie Chandler, recording secretary, Friendswood, Ind.; Mrs. Ella B. Wright, treasurer, Greensburg, Ind.; Mrs. Louisa R. Wardner, LaPorte, Ind.; Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, Amo, Ind.; Mrs. Anna Johnson, Grant Co., Ind.; Mrs. G. E. Stanton, 441 Cherry street, Indianapolis.

It was thought best to have an Advisory Board and the following members were elected: Mrs. Frances A. Potter, 834 north East street, Indianapolis; Mr. Ernest Bicknell, office State Board of Charities, Indianapolis; Mr. Addison Hadley, Hadley, Ind.; Mr. Wm. Chandler, Friendswood, Ind.; Mr. Robert E. Carmack, Camargo, Ill.

It was decided to have a vice president chosen from each congressional district, who shall look after the interest of the school in general, and whose special business will be to look after the girls in their territory, who are in the school or who may have been placed in homes in their district.

The Board of Trustees met at the Hadley Home, Thursday, Nov. 4th. The weather was delightful. The new members took up the work with energy that promises well for the wise management of the work. The members who left the board were happy in the confidence they felt that every thing possible would be done for the welfare of the school and the hope that much would be accomplished for the building up of the institution in the future. The work of superintendent and assistant showed they had with hard labor, economy and wise forecast, secured all within their ability for the comfort of the inmates. Mistakes have been made, but the past must be left and its lessons will teach us to avoid similar ones in coming time. It is well to look back and if some progress has been made take courage for the future. Much ought to be done now to make improvements for the comfort of the household and to secure an income for the support of the school. These will be looked after by the present efficient board.

## DONATIONS TO SCHOOL.

Hamilton Co., through Mary Furnas, president	\$3 50
Marion Co., A. K. Hollowell, .....	11.25
Marion Co., Laura Mattern, .....	30.00
Martin Co., Shoals Union, .....	15.00
Martin Co., Loogootee Union, .....	1 80
Grant Co., Marion and vicinity, .....	36.50
Parke Co., Bloomington Union, .....	5.00
Clay Co., Helen A. Sherfey, .....	5.00
Bartholomew Co., M. C. Brush, .....	10 00
	<b>\$118.05</b>

ELLA B. WRIGHT,

Treasurer.

By the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Hadley Industrial School, we still owe nearly \$2,000, itemized as follows:

## LIABILITIES.

A. Shellenberger, on contract, .....	\$1,116.05
Kruse & Dewenter, on furnaces .....	275.00
New York Store, Indianapolis, .....	27 94
Eastman, Schleicher & Lee, .....	33.34
Ferguson & Co., .....	15.75
W. A. Scott & Sons, screens, .....	85.00
John A. Lewis, salary as farmer for 1896, .....	37.73
C. J. Harmon, salary as Superintendent, .....	60.00
Nancy Harmon, salary as Assistant, .....	60.00
E. B. Owen, merchant, Amo, .....	11.87
L. O. Stanley, threshing clover seed .....	14.64
J. N. Phillips, Amo, shingles, .....	7.00
Insurance, .....	75.00
Van Arsdell & Co., lawn fence, .....	89.87
Luther Hadley, labor and oats, .....	8.45
Total, .....	<b>\$1,917.64</b>

## ASSETS.

Amount of pledges, .....	\$755.00
West Indianapolis property, .....	600.00
Winchester property, .....	200.00
Connersville, now in litigation, .....	800.00
Total, .....	<b>\$2,355.00</b>

Balance in favor of treasury, .....

\$437.36

Let me urge every Union that has not already done so, to immediately adopt the plan of the stirring campaign and give a contest for the benefit of the school. This debt is made; it is just and we will pay it.

In this last effort to pay the last debt, may we depend upon each member and each union to respond to this appeal? A sum equal to the average of \$1.00 per member sent as a free will offering from each union by January 1 would entirely cancel all debts and relieve the School of all embarrassment. Then it would have its present assets for a nucleus for the future. Will your union decide to do this by contest, entertainment or solicitation by January 1? I hope all will heartily say "yes" and go right to work. For four years I have worked, planned and prayed for Indiana's freedom from debt. I will continue to do all that I can to secure the payment of this last debt. When it is paid we will sing "Victory." Then straightway as an organization and as individuals, we should pledge ourselves never again to sanction by voice or vote any plan for further indebtedness on the Indiana W. C. T. U.

L. F. McWHIRTER.

## NOBLE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

Literature, Mrs. Cook, Albion; Evangelistic, Mrs. Folger, Albion; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Black, Albion; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Hastings, Albion; Flower Mission, Mrs. Clapp, Albion; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Jane Reymier, Brimfield; Social Purity, Mrs. Golden, Wawaha; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Gorrell, LaOtto; Medal Work, Mrs. Lucy Simons, LaOtto; Press, Mrs. Ruth Protest, Ligonier; Franchise, Mrs. Mary Franks, Ligonier.

## COUNTY OFFICERS.

Mrs. Laura Teal, President, Ligonier; Mrs. Ruth Protest, Corresponding Secretary, Ligonier; Mrs. Mary Gorrell, Recording Secretary, LaOtto; Mrs. Visla Torrey, Treasurer, Wawaha; Mrs. Norah Knowles, L. T. L. Secretary, Wawaha.

County convention convened October 5th in the M. E. Church, Mrs. Cammack present. Several members of the local clergy were present. Good music; much interest manifested and the work shapes up well for a new year's service. The secretary sent a full report, but space could not be found for it.

Please take note, we have no record books for the treasurers and recording secretaries. Perhaps we should have.

## WORLD'S DELEGATES.

The State was arranged into four groups of a thousand members and over, using the east and west railroads, which cross the State, as the natural division lines. Mrs. Eliza Baker will report for the counties north of the Wabash Railroad, and as Mrs. Whitson, the alternate, who represented Group No. 3, does not wish to report, and the delegate of Group No. 4 did not go, Mrs. Cammack will report for her own, Group No. 2, and all the rest of the State.

Any Union wishing this report, better correspond with Mrs. Cammack at once for dates and terms. Mrs. Whitson is very desirous that Mrs. Cammack report in her territory. Mrs. Cammack's address is 1123 South Branson Street, Marion, Grant County, Ind.

## HUNTINGTON, IND.

At the county convention, held October 30th, the following officers were elected: President, Miss Mary Mohler, Huntington; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lizzie Mohler, Huntington; Treasurer, Mrs. Cora Kepler, Andrews; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Warren.

The following Superintendents were appointed: Literature, Mrs. Spurgeon, Warren; Narcotics, Mrs. Carl, Warren; Flower Mission, Mrs. Nina Rhodes, Andrews; Railroad Work, Mrs. Creason, Andrews; Evangelistic, Mrs. Wheeler, Huntington; Jail and Prison, Mrs. King, Huntington; Scientific T. I., Mrs. Deighton, Huntington; Mercy, Mrs. Rall, Huntington.

LIZZIE A. MOHLER,

Corresponding Secretary.



## REPORT OF TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Our little *Message* cannot take the place of the Annual Minutes, which will give you a full account of the entire session. We never had a more harmonious, on-time convention—206 voting delegates. Our visitors were Mrs. Emma Cranmer, South Dakota; Miss Anna Downey, Miss Margaret Wintringer, and Miss Austin, of Illinois; Mrs. Trego, of Ohio, and Mrs. Telford, of Colorado. The old corps of officers were re-elected on the informal ballot. Our branch secretaries will serve us another year. Mrs. L. M. Beck, Mrs. Frances Potter and Mrs. Frances Boyer are members of our Central Committee.

Very slight changes made in the department workers. Mrs. Florence Vance, of Frankfort, was made press superintendent, and Mrs. Frances Boyer took Mrs. Ault's place. Mrs. Ault is now a resident of Cleveland, Ohio. The department of Mothers' Meetings was left with the Central Committee to find a woman who can go into the field.

We have twenty-two new county presidents, and they are a very intelligent company of women, up to date and full of business. Our trial of doing the work of the convention in three days in place of our usual four days proved a success, and satisfactory all around. Time was given the Organizer Publishing Company on Friday and Saturday, finishing up on Monday, and after all the ground had been covered the following resolution was passed by a large majority:

"After a thorough investigation of the relation of the Organizer Publishing Company to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, from a business, legal and moral standpoint, and after a patient and continued hearing of the claims of the former corporation,

*Resolved*, That it is the judgment of the Indiana W. C. T. U., in convention assembled, that neither corporation has any legal or moral obligations to the other, other than that of friendship and good will."

Monday morning the Executive Committee passed an additional resolution, which was ratified by the convention, and is as follows:

*Resolved*, That it is the judgment of this Committee that any future communications or propositions from the Organizer Publishing Company should come before the Executive Committee, and not before the open Convention of the Indiana W. C. T. U., and that while it will still be a matter of convenience for the Organizer Publishing Company to call its annual meeting for stockholders at the same time and place as that of the W. C. T. U., yet they should avoid conflicting with the time of the W. C. T. U. program; and that all dunning letters from the Organizer Publishing Company to Unions, or members of Unions not stockholders, are out of order, and if continued will be regarded as sent in a spirit of unfairness, as they are very detrimental to the good of our cause."

Unions and individual members of Unions not stockholders will certainly understand from this on that they are not in debt to the company and do not have to make donations unless it is their pleasure to do so.

Our prize banner to the secretary whose reports were neatest, completest and on time went to Miss Grace McSwane, Dubois county, who is expected to lay life's work and worry down soon and take up her heavenly calling. Our welcome to South Bend was royal, our stay pleasant, and the story of the meeting will read like a fairy tale in the Minutes. Don't fail to get a copy. I give below the

### PLAN OF WORK.

Committee on Plan of Work reported the following:

#### ORGANIZATION.

County presidents shall, within 30 days, communicate with the chairman on Organization, and give their plans and receive her's in return. Make an effort to organize one Union the first quarter of the year and one each quarter thereafter. If the county president cannot call a state worker, she will do the work herself or secure the aid of home workers.

Organize Unions according to the constitution, requiring each one to sign the pledge and pay the regular fee of \$1.00.

Where county presidents, from any cause, cannot do the work, the state may take charge.

We urge every Union to appoint a Y secretary at once who will build up a Y membership as fast as time and circumstances will admit. We recommend organizing and maintaining an L. T. L. for every Union. We urge the use of the stirring campaign plan for Industrial School; the life membership plan for Organization Fund; the Department Plan to develop departments; and put the Schools of Methods in charge of the superintendent of that department, the superintendent of the Department of Organization and the state president. Have the schools arranged to take in

every county, to be held on schedule time and place—that they may be Schools of Methods or Normal Institutes, not conventions. Let no county fall into the error of not having an institute. Small groups for institutes are recommended. Keep state on a cash basis.

We recommend that every state speaker hold one public meeting and take a collection and send it to the state treasurer for an organization fund. We urge unions to make free will offerings for this purpose also. We recommend that superintendents hold public meetings to raise funds for their work. We recommend that we give particular attention to Red Letter days. Our particular department of work, the one to receive legislative attention, shall be woman's enfranchisement. Respectfully submitted,

LAURA M. THOMPSON,  
Chairman.

ELLA J. DAVIS,  
Secretary.

The Central Committee, at its regular called meeting November 4, decided to create a roll of honor for counties who will endeavor to carry out this plan of work. No county will appear on the roll who fails to do at least one-half of the work called for and each county will occupy the place the work performed entitled it to. We think every county will be ambitious to be No. 1. They should try as hard as children do to stand No. 1 in their classes at school.

#### SIX PAPERS OF NOTE.

The Committee planned further for the interest of our cause and we hope every member of our band will seriously try to write one of these papers and begin now. They may be made of so much worth that they may find a place in the columns of the *Union Signal*, or be printed in leaflet form for wider circulation. Any W. C. T. U. president who will write the best 10 minute paper on the financial history and policy of the Indiana W. C. T. U. for the period of its existence, and the secretary who will write the best 10 minute paper on events having taken place in our annual conventions for the past twenty-four years, and the superintendent who will write the best 10 minute paper on department work in general, and the L. T. L. or Y secretary who will write the best 10 minute paper on the history of these branches in our state, and the individual who will give us the best 10 minute paper on individual workers in our organization from the time of its inception, shall each have a place on the program of the state convention, 1898, at Lafayette. The Executive Committee, at its mid-year meeting, shall appoint a committee of three for each of these separate subjects, who shall use their judgment in deciding which is best. The papers shall be in the hands of the respective committees by August 15, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon. The length of the paper may not occupy the full 10 minutes, but must not exceed that time. Persons writing these papers may be supplied with copies of state minutes, until exhausted, for 5 cents a copy, postpaid. It is suggested that these papers, committed to memory and delivered in the form of an address, is preferable to reading them.

#### NEW UNIONS.

The counties will be grouped as usual for choosing national delegates, but the county in the group having organized the most Unions shall have the delegates, and the county having the next highest number of Unions organized shall have the alternates. Hence, it stands for all our counties to be up and organizing.

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MESSAGE.

The individual sending in the largest list of subscriptions to the *MESSAGE*, shall be made a life member of the Indiana W. C. T. U. The individual sending in the second largest list shall be alternate to the delegate-at-large for the national convention. The individual sending in the third largest list shall receive their choice of Miss Willard's books. Let each White Ribboner say, "I will do my best to win," and begin to do the work on time.

#### MEMBERSHIP.

The three persons sending in the three largest lists for members having paid dues, and not including honoraries, shall each be made a life member. None of these premiums apply to state officers or organizers, and the time limit for all is from November 30, 1897, to August 15, 1898, at noon. There is time to understand the plans and get ready for the work, and there is abundance of time to do the work. You should take the best care possible of this paper. We can't reprint and you will need it to refresh your memory concerning the terms of the several premiums.

When you read this the Minutes will be ready to send out. Send the money with the order (15 cents a copy) if you want them sent by mail—10 cents if you

pay express charges. Send to the same address as for the record books. We predict great things for 1898. Already Unions seem to be refreshed and have put off their indifference and doubt and have sent in dues. October 29th the Fair Cottage went up in flames and smoke, but a liberal insurance came down, which pays all indebtedness and leaves a nice balance for the treasury; and our experience has been that Fair Cottages are poor weapons to fight open saloons with, and we see a bright side to our loss. Now, if we will stir the stirring campaign and lift the blight of debt off of our Industrial School, Indiana will arise and shine on a cash basis and a comfortable treasury.

#### RECORD BOOKS

Are now ready. Local Unions get their book for 25 cents, the county for 50 cents. Send your order and the money with the order. Address Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

#### OUR LECTURE BUREAU.

Take notice—The State workers, as well as those from other States, will be expected to pay to the State the regular bureau per cent, and no exceptions can be made.—SECRETARY of the Bureau.

#### WASHINGTON AND VINCENNES PARLOR LECTURES.

Given for society women by Miss Fisher. A series of instructive and entertaining lectures have been given in this city lately by Miss Fisher, who displays wonderful skill and accomplishment in the art of dressing. Miss Fisher is the originator of the system she advocates and meets with flattering success wherever she exhibits. She is not an extremist in her line; does not advocate the banishment of corsets, but only exhibits sensible costumes and how to wear them sensibly. All her garments are pretty; this endears them to the hearts of young ladies. Miss Fisher's work represents the culmination of thought of this century on Dress Reform, as she has solved all the problems regarding it. Her dressing is perfect. Miss Fisher has a charming personality and is pleasing and graceful in her manner. The progressive ladies who opened their parlors for these lectures afforded their friends a rare treat.

Mrs. Beck, of Bloomington, reported Miss Fisher's visit at that city, and commended her work to our Unions.

Mrs. Ella McConnell, formerly of Kendallville, but now in Hiram College, in Ohio, buried her father recently, but with the blessed hope of a resurrection morn and meeting him again in the "Sweet Bye and Bye."

Unions willing to correspond with Mrs. Trego will make a note of this: Her address now is 1121 Detroit street, Cleveland, Ohio. She has lately moved there. Those who visited the convention at South Bend will remember Mrs. Trego.

The secretary of the Michigan City Union writes me the names of their newly elected officers: President, Mrs. R. G. Young; secretary, Mrs. India Worthley, 506 Buffalo street; treasurer, Mrs. Bertha Whitney. No street and number were given for the president and treasurer. Mrs. Worthley does the work of the corresponding and recording secretaries, it is presumed from the report given.

Mrs. A. P. Daub, secretary of Goshen Union, is also press superintendent. She wants to know when and where shall I send articles of news for the *MESSAGE*. Others may be writing to gain the same information. Send them by the 25th of each month to Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. Edith Johnson, corresponding secretary of Sedalia Union, has removed to LaFayette—226 South street. She will join one of the Unions of that city at once.

#### MARSHALL COUNTY.

Y secretary, Miss Minnie Snell, Bourbon; L. T. L. secretary, Maggie Deitsler, Argos; Sunday Work, Mrs. Mary Watson, Argos; Literature, Mrs. Mary B. Singeny, Argos; Press, Mrs. Lucretia Fields, Bourbon; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Jennie Haughton, Plymouth; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. Fietta Benner, Argos; Narcotics, Mrs. Fannie Cleveland, Plymouth; Evangelistic, Mrs. E. K. Kyner, Bourbon; Systematic Giving, Mrs. E. W. Cannon, Argos; Flower and Mercy Mission, Mrs. C. A. Moore, Argos; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Rhoda Kern, Bourbon; Franchise, Mrs. Sallie Snapp, Bourbon; State and County Fairs, Mrs. G. H. Thayer, Plymouth.

These and every county superintendent, as soon as they are appointed, should write at once to her state superintendent and so begin her work without any delay.



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by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## BE TRUE.

Thou must be true thyself  
If thou the truth wouldst teach;  
Thy soul must overflow, if thou  
Another's soul wouldst reach;  
It needs the overflow of heart  
To give the lips full speech.

Think truly, and thy thoughts  
Shall the world's famine feed;  
Speak truly and each word of thine  
Shall be a fruitful seed;  
Live truly and thy life shall be  
A great and noble creed.

—Bonar.

## BUSINESS MANAGEMENT.

With this issue of the MESSAGE the business management of the paper passes into the hands of that earnest, indefatigable worker—Mrs. Mary E. Sims, 3346 Central avenue, Indianapolis. I bespeak for her and know that she will have the loyal support that was given me. Her interest for the success of this paper has been very great. It is now intensified. Let us work and pray for the unbounded success of our paper. I have known of the untiring efforts of many of you in the past, and you may well rejoice over the success of these efforts.

It is cheering to know that so many are not willing to stop with the present subscription list of 1,600, but are working with renewed effort to increase it. How many Unions will make it equal to their membership list? No W. C. T. U. woman can afford to be without it.

The National Convention at Buffalo passed this resolution:

*Recommended,* That no one should be elected to any office that is not a reader of the State and National papers.

Many of your subscriptions expire with the December issue. Now is the time to renew, and please secure as many additional names as possible. Send at once, that you may not miss a single number. The MESSAGE and Signal only \$1.10.

The MESSAGE and Signal to ministers, 75 cents; the MESSAGE in clubs of 12 or more, 25 cents; single subscription, 35 cents.

In turning this work over into other hands, I will miss the cheery letters that have so often come to my table. I will miss the kindly association with the names upon the subscription list, so many of which, through letters and otherwise, I have learned to love. Together let us all work with untiring effort for the success of our paper—the MESSAGE.

Yours to help,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## PRESIDENT'S NOTES.

*Dear Sisters*—The encouraging reports from Unions indicate renewed interest, which greatly rejoices me. Now is the time for practical systematic effort in every locality. Our members may accomplish much by doing definite work.

A Union of less than twenty members perhaps, if divided into two sections, would accomplish twice as much as at the present time. Larger Unions divided according to the same plan would no doubt accomplish much more than they do. Each section should decide upon some special definite work. Pushing this special work vigorously would no doubt develop much latent ability. Let every section elect its chairman and treasurer and plan for and push its special work. To secure the funds necessary, hold contests, give entertainments, etc., each member getting as many of her friends and neighbors to join her section as possible. Every section holding its necessary meetings at the homes of its members. The chairman reporting the work accomplished, members gained, etc., at least

once a month to the Union. The president of the Union not being eligible to the chairmanship of a section. A discreet president would always encourage the sections and be wholly impartial.

The membership dues should be paid into the Union treasury. The Union meetings should be held according to regular plan.

In my November letter I told you of my conviction in regard to Public Meeting, Press and Young People's Societies. Let me here emphasize what I then said.

My article in same issue in regard to Hadley Industrial School and plan for paying the debt failed to get a heading. If you have not read it, please do so; it will be found on the third page. Read it to your Union and let me know of its action.

Yours for Indiana,

L. F. McWHIRTER.

"These ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."

The W. C. T. U. is like Martha—"troubled about many things," so that it may neglect "the one thing needful," the training of the young. When we think of the wasted opportunities in the past twenty years, that if the children in these years had received the instruction that is now being imparted, we might now feel that the problem is nearly solved. Then let us take warning and not miss the present opportunity.

We of the W. C. T. U. have many departments of work, but we must not neglect this most important one. This L. T. L. work should receive first attention, as the future of the W. C. T. U. and the good of our State rests with the young people. Do not become discouraged, but push the work hard. The children are waiting to be led. O, how can we refuse? Let us walk in the light which God gives us. Be wise and tactful, do what we can and leave the result with Him. He has promised aid and blessing.

The Plan of Work for Indiana is ready, and any one desiring it please send stamp. I notice in the reports from county conventions that only two have appointed secretaries of L. T. L. work. This is wrong. Read Article III of the constitution for county W. C. T. U. and you will see that the Y and L. T. L. secretaries are classed with the officers, and should be considered just as important. They belong also to the county executive. Let us do our work according to the plan laid down for us and work hard this year.

Yours for a better year,

AMANDA R. GORDON.

## TREASURER'S LETTER.

*Dear Sisters*—Knowing that space in November issue of the MESSAGE would be at a premium and that many articles could not possibly get in, I withheld this letter to you until the December issue. I very greatly desire that this letter may be considered personal to each one of you, and may I not soon receive a letter from each local and county treasurer?

At the recent State Convention, held in South Bend, I was again selected to be the recipient of the moneys to be gathered up from the various Unions throughout our loved Indiana. I greatly appreciate the honor thus bestowed upon me and shall earnestly endeavor during the entire year to prove, through works, my appreciation of this loyalty and confidence.

The importance of the office of treasurer, whether it be that of the State, the county or the local Union, can not be too greatly magnified. We were told, both at the World's and National Conventions, that the work of the treasurer was the most important of all. That if the treasurer neglected her duty by failing to collect dues, or by failing to form plans by which the treasury could be replenished, that the whole body, up to the World's Union, would suffer. One discouraged person often affects an entire Union. One discouraged Union will effect an entire county. A dis-

couraged county will have its influence throughout a State, and a discouraged State falls away behind in the National. Let us begin this year's work with a determination not to yield to discouragements in any case. If we do not believe this to be a work called of God, then we would not be in it at all.

The report from your Union may seem of little importance to you, but it means much to the county and to the State. Let us not forget that the work of one individual member will do much to make or mar the life of a Union. We are each responsible for just one. If we, each one, do our duty, God will take care of the rest.

Blanks were mailed to the county treasurers November 30th. If you do not receive them promptly, notify me and others will be sent immediately. If local treasurers do not receive the blanks by the 10th, do not wait, but notify your county treasurer at once; she may promptly send you others.

The question has been asked two or three times recently: "Why do you send two blanks to the county treasurers?" In answer I will say, make out two reports just alike; keep one on file and send the other to the State Treasurer. Again let me urge the importance of filling out your blanks in full and returning them promptly. Please do not neglect to give the full name and address of every local treasurer.

I trust you have already begun your work. Do not wait until you receive your blanks before you begin to collect the dues. It has been proven over and over again that the first half of the year is much the better time for work. The work done during this time will bear fruit at our next convention. The last half not until the following year. This being true, and we all realize how difficult it is to work during the hot months while many are taking their outings, so let us put forth every effort until warm weather towards increasing of interest in our work, which will increase our membership.

I was delighted last year that so many of our local and county treasurers were subscribers to the MESSAGE. How many county treasurers will make an extra effort this year to secure all her local treasurers as subscribers? Let us have a treasurers' club to be reported at the State Convention in LaFayette. Who will be the first to send in such a report to be published in the MESSAGE?

If my letter was not already so long I would like to tell you of some of the reports given at the World's Convention. I must tell you about one report—the National President of Iceland. Said she had traveled through her country during the long winter nights to organize and strengthen Unions when the snow was between two and three feet deep, and sometimes going to the bottom of it. She reported no millionaires, no tramps and no houses of ill-repute, but saloons exist there as they do here, and they are banded together there as we are here to do all that can be done to remove from our land this home destroyer.

Oh, may none of us falter in this great work.

Yours, for a successful campaign in behalf of our homes,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## KLONDIKE

For the National and State treasuries. How? Use "Wool Soap" and send wrappers to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, The Temple, Chicago, Ill. Unions will receive letters from the National. Act promptly. Buy Wool Soap. Get your neighbors, your friends and your enemies to buy Wool Soap and you send wrappers as directed above. There never was a more hopeful or easier way to help the National and State treasuries.

## NOTICE!

Elwood takes Miss Marie Brehm for a week. Unions, do not delay to send in for dates and terms, or you will be too late. Address Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### LETTER TO W. C. T. U. WORKERS.

Dear Sisters—So important is the subject of peace and arbitration, especially at this time, when our Senate has turned a cold shoulder to England's proposal for a treaty of arbitration, I take the liberty to urge you to use your influence in having Peace Sunday, the third Sabbath in December, observed in your locality and offer the following suggestions: Invite your pastor to preach on peace; try to have one of our department programs, or an original one, carried out in the evening; distribute peace literature in the Sunday school; have a public meeting at which special prayer may be offered, asking for the coming of international peace; write an article for your local paper in the interest of the day and cause; try to form a peace band on that day, gather the children in some place and invite a clergyman to speak to them on peace or make peace the subject of the evening prayer meeting. If you live in a small place, try to have a union meeting for all the churches, at which the different pastors can speak on the desirability of peace. At all events do something, if it be nothing more than to induce your pastor to simply allude to the subject in his sermon, for there will doubtless never be another year in which what we do for this great cause will have so much influence as during the present year.

Literature and programs may be obtained of the W. C. T. U. Peace Department.

Yours peacefully,

HANNAH J. BAILEY,

Winthrop Centre, Me. Supt. of Peace and Arbitration  
 of the National W. C. T. U.

### BRIEF PROGRAM

For Peace Sunday: Scripture Reading, Prayer, Singing, "Come, Thou fount of every blessing;" Recitation, Essay, "Rejection of the Anglo-American treaty;" Essay, "Was it not the Christian duty of the Nation to ratify this treaty;" Singing, "Sound, sound the truth abroad;" Recitation, "The poor voter on election day;" Whittier; Reading, Selections from Charles Sumner, "True grandeur of nations;" Singing, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus;" Recitation, Closing Exercise. H. J. B.

OXFORD, IND., November 23, 1897

Dear County and Local Superintendents—With the blank reports for last year, I also sent to each superintendent the Plan of Work leaflet. Having them thus early, I am sure much good work has already begun. Another county is already added to our number, and several new locals have reported.

I am pleased with the many congratulations received upon our yearly report in this department and pass them on most heartily to you, without whose earnest co-operation and devoted efforts in the work small results would have been obtained.

Please read carefully the Plan of Work and note the list of publications in its last pages. I feel sure you can select from it suitable matter for distribution, and as the prices, etc., are clearly stated, it will save you much correspondence and loss of time. I most heartily commend the entertainments described, and feel that they would be a success anywhere.

If possible, have our workers in this department visit you, and have committees visit your schools, that we may know what is being done.

People are beginning to understand more and more that in presenting scientific temperance as a

study, we are not seeking to introduce all the phases of W. C. T. U. work into the public school. Pray have it understood in your locality that in teaching scientific temperance it is not necessary to introduce any question whatever as to license, local option or political issues. Even pledging the children should not be done unless under the name of an organized local society. We must be very careful in these matters, just as we are careful not to introduce sectarianism.

The American flag, which waves from the summits of our public buildings, proclaims freedom throughout all the land and to all the inhabitants thereof. The schools are public institutions. Over them the stars and stripes wave for all, and no party, no creed, no society, can claim it for its own.

We do not mean by this that we may abate one atom of zeal, but that the object of this department is to have taught in our schools the proven facts of science as to the effects of alcohol and narcotics upon the human body, and that some of us have laid ourselves open to criticism from school authorities in urging upon teachers the formation of temperance societies and bringing questions of license, etc., into the schools for discussion.

"You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." We want simple truth on this subject imparted to the youth of our land, and ask for no bias of opinion, feeling sure that it will help to make us a people free, indeed, from the power of rum and its hosts of attending evils.

Dear superintendents, let me hear from you, even though you have no special report to send. Give your plans and ideas for work in your own localities. Some of our best suggestions have come from local workers and have been of much benefit to others.

Yours with loving appreciation,

ADAH WHINERY WHITE,

State Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Dear Press Workers—Your new superintendent brings you greetings. She comes to you with at least two qualifications for the work; a genuine love for it and an abiding faith in it. In looking over the field and studying the reports of work being done, the great need for this department is very apparent. It is not more earnest workers or better work, but it is more, many more workers. The women do not realize as they should the wonderful help a judicious use of the daily and weekly newspapers would be in carrying on the work. This help may be had for the asking. I believe that no Union is doing such good work but what it might, by adding the press department, do much better. "Nothing succeeds like success." Report your successes and you will have more success to report. A live Union cannot afford to be without a press superintendent. The work of the W. C. T. U. has become a part of the news of the day, and we, as members of the organization, are not doing our whole duty until we try to see that the supply comes somewhere near the demand.

I most earnestly desire that many more Unions may be led to take up this department and will appoint superintendents at once. Secure space in as many papers as possible, and having secured it, fill it promptly and regularly. If you cannot get regular space, do not neglect to send in reports of meetings, lectures, contests and other newsy items. Keep account of your work. My way is to count the lines in each article and note it down, then make calculations according to the number of lines to a column in publications for which I write. Some one may have a better plan. Now, another thing, sisters, when you hand in your copy, I hope you send after it a little prayer that some line or word, some potent fact or statistic, may carry with it converting power and be just the "word in season" that some one is unconsciously waiting for to enlist them in this work.

Yours for work,

FLORENCE E. VANCE,

State Superintendent.

### THE BRODERICK BILL.

I wish to call the attention of the readers of the MESSAGE to the Broderick bill (H. R. 1136) to raise the age of protection for girls to eighteen in the District of Columbia and the territories. Interest the most influential politicians in your community in the bill and urge them to write letters to our State senators and representative, asking them to use their influence in favor of the passage of the bill. Let every W. C. T. U. appoint a committee at their next meeting who will attend to this at once, as Congress convenes in Decem-

ber. Mrs. Ellis, our national superintendent of legislation and petition, said had the letters and petitions come pouring in as requested, we would have undoubtedly had more favorable legislation last winter.

### PLAN FOR PURITY WORK.

It is hardly necessary for me to say that purity work is needed in our State, although it has been so sadly neglected. If you have never had a superintendent of this department, won't you do so at once and let Indiana redeem herself by doing the best year's work in this line that has ever been done? The purity department is manifold in its opportunities and gives scope for talent in all lines. It has three divisions: Reform and Legislative, Rescue Work, Moral Education. We should acquaint ourselves with the existing laws in our State against public morals before attempting legal work. If vile men knew that good women understood the law and were working for its enforcement, it would bring about a better condition of things. Distribute good literature to hackmen and admonish them not to take fees from keepers or drive these women in their carriages through our streets for any evil purpose. Physicians should be plead with relative to their visits in these houses and regarding the practice of abortion, etc., etc. Strenuous efforts must be made to suppress procurer or procuress at the depots, on trains, or wherever a clue can be traced of their fiendish work. Plead with the press for a pure output and against unwarranted advertisements of crime and immorality. Ask pastors to devote yearly one contribution in their churches to the purity of the city. Here is a list of questions to be answered by you next September:

1. Have you a purity superintendent?
2. Have you done any rescue work?
3. How many public meetings held or sermons preached?
4. Have you examined your public library to see that it contains no objectionable reading matter?
5. What have you done toward wiping out houses of ill-fame?
6. Have you used your influence with the press?
7. How many subscribers to the *New Crusade*?
8. How many pages of literature given out?
9. How many White Shield or White Cross societies?

Yours for better protection,

FRANCES E. BOYER,

State Superintendent Purity.

### FIELD NOTES.

Wappanee Union has just had a chrysanthemum show. They bought their slips last spring and cultivated them through the summer months and were well repaid for their labor. The show extended through two days. The ladies served lunch each day and accumulated a snug sum for their treasury.

Mrs. Wires, of Wakarusa, fell on the sidewalk and broke her leg, which greatly disables the Union.

I was received with kind courtesy in the schools of Wakarusa, as I was at Wappanee, and find the teachers seeking after the truth.

### GOSHEN UNION

Is up-to-date. It has a fine Y annex. The Y branch of the W. C. T. U. has given a "baby social." All babies under 75 years of age were invited. The lunch was plain bread and milk and each baby wore a bib. A simple little program was carried out and the evening was pleasantly spent.

### WAWAKA UNION

Is trying to keep a saloon out of the village. Hope they will be successful.

### PARKE COUNTY OFFICERS.

President, Mrs. Dora Woodard, Coloma; Vice-president, Mrs. Jennie K. Newlin, Bloomingdale; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lou M. Spray, Bloomingdale; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dora Woodard, Coloma; Treasurer, Lou E. Cooke, Bloomingdale. The recent county convention at Bloomingdale was very encouraging and once more Parke will be heard from in this peaceful war. Mrs. Emma Cranmer gave a very awakening lecture, in the evening, of sufficient spirit to advance rather than retard the revival in progress.



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*Warren*—Mrs. Jessie Butler, Ambia, Benton county.  
*Warrick*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Newburg.  
*Washington*—Mrs. Lida D. Barnett, Hardinsburg.  
*Wayne*—Rev. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
*Wells*—Mrs. D. E. Studebaker, Bluffton.  
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*Whitley*—Mrs. Elma Emerson, South Whitley.

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*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Alma Kilmer, Warren.  
*Health, Heredity Physical Culture*—Miss Clara P. Boyd, Rockville.  
*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomingdale.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Alice Geary, 730 North st., Logansport.  
*Scientific Temperance Work*—Miss Ada White, Oxford.  
*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
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*Press*—Miss Florence Vance, Frankfort.  
*Purity*—Mrs. Frances Boyer, Frankfort.  
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*Peace and Arbitration*—Mrs. Louvinia Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Relation of Temperance and Labor, Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount.  
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*Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Ball, Huntington.  
*Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Ellen K. Denney, 820 North 5th street, Vincennes.  
*Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 South Branson street, Marion.  
*Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*Flower Mission*—Mrs. M. A. Baumgardner, LaPorte.  
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Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
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 Miss Libbie Taber, LaPorte.

## HADLEY NOTES.

As reported at State Convention our Connorsville property was in litigation. Our sister, Miss Mary Tate, willed two pieces of property to the W. C. T. U., one to the State, giving her mother (our staunch friend and sister) a life interest in it; another to the Hadley Industrial School. The first would be practically unavailable on account of debt and accrued interest. A brother, Quincy Tate, being dissatisfied with the will, brought suit to have it set aside, claiming that his sister was of unsound mind. After several weeks of investigation, realizing the appeal that a poor man has in a community, and the certainty of court costs and lawyers' fees and the uncertainty of the decision of a jury, we compromised by Mr. Tate giving us \$450 cash for a quiet claim deed to the property. After paying lawyers and expenses there remains about \$100 for the State and \$300 for the Hadley Industrial School.

Every one favors paying the Hadley School debt at once. Marion County, at a recent Executive Committee meeting, talked that way very earnestly and plans were discussed looking to that end.

## CENTRAL UNION PROGRAM.

At the last regular meeting of Indianapolis Central Union, W. C. T. U., it was decided to have programs prepared for each regular meeting during the year. It was thought better (after some discussion) to meet at one place during the coming year. Friends are cordially invited to meet with us upon the first and third Thursdays of each month at the residence of Mrs. Mary Balch, 711 East 11th street.

Over one hundred White Ribboners and friends attended a parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. McWhirter, given November 22 by Indianapolis Meridian Union, in honor of Mrs. Cranmer.

Mrs. Kidd, of Wabash, says, "We can show, as a direct result of Mrs. McWhirter's visit, nine regular and two honorary members, all good workers, and I have heard of a number more who are under conviction. When Mrs. Cammack comes I hope she will tell the workers how to work. We have gained fifteen regular members since the State Convention."

## MAPLETON UNION.

Of Marion County, considers itself very fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Emma Cranmer, who gave an excellent address on Franchise on the evening of November 11. Those not hearing her missed a treat. Space forbids further comment.

Jesse Edgerton, a valued member of the Deer Creek Union, was called from work to reward November 8.

## GREENSBURG UNION

Sent a delegate to the meeting of the State Board of Charities, which met at Evansville. They have a printed program for the year.

## TAKE NOTICE.

Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, the most successful W. C. T. U. organizer in the world, says "that if all our cities were organized as Baltimore (where there are over 50 Unions) our work would tell; but our women do not broaden out and other organizations creep in and absorb the time and strength of the earnest, intelligent women, and our work suffers because of this. We need so much to enlist the best element in society and clinch all the nails driven."

## MEDAL DEPARTMENT.

Indiana just missed carrying off the National banner for best medal work this year and that came about by some not being careful to send in certificates. I

wish every medal worker would study the rules and instructions. They are so very plain and explicit. And suppose we begin this year's work with the idea of winning in the race? As contests, as a rule, are money makers, why not make contests the Klondike of the Union and begin at once? Cooper medals are now the same price as those of the W. C. T. U. Cooper has three suffrage books. A Union that believes in the ballot for woman and does not get up a suffrage contest at least once a quarter, is like the man who is a prohibitionist—"but"—show your faith by your works. We will have a suffrage contest at our Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting. It will be for a small gold medal. Write State Superintendent for rules, medals and books.

MARY E. BALCH,  
 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis.

## HOPE UNION

Held a W. C. T. U. silver medal contest on the evening of November 24. A class of three young ladies and three young gentlemen entertained the audience in a very creditable manner. Miss Lucy Ryerson received the medal on the recitation entitled "The Cost of Rum." Miss Hazel Buxton, only ten years old, was awarded the second prize on the recitation entitled "In the Kegs." Much interest is being manifested in contest work by our young people.

SUPERINTENDENT CON. WORK.

## THE LARGEST REPRESENTATION

Of the several counties reporting, Clinton had the largest representation, 45 delegates from 6 Unions.

## WABASH COUNTY

Makes a change in the list of its superintendents. Mrs. Elizabeth Jennings has resigned and Mrs. Elizabeth Ebbinghouse has been appointed in her place of Evangelistic Superintendent.

## BOURBON UNION

Offers premiums in each grade or room of their school of \$1.00 each for the best essay on the "Effects of Tobacco on the Brain and Heart." This could be done by every Union, and it should be done.

## NOVEMBER MESSAGE.

"Did you read it? Not some part of it, but every line? It was the paper of the year, because it contained the plans for the year. We want to hear from those who will try to write the papers. Try to win life memberships and the other premiums. We want your opinion of the plans. November MESSAGE should be put away with your minutes, both of value and needed every day for reference.

## ORGANIZATION.

The chairman of Organization, according to the State Plan of Work, was to hear from the county presidents as to their plans and wishes within thirty days. The time has more than past. Dear county presidents, what are your plans? Will you correspond with the Chairman? Will you use home talent, State workers, or do you want the best in the world (judging by number of members gained)?

MRS. HELEN M. BULLOCK,  
 Of New York.

## SCHOOLS OF METHODS

Or Normal Institutes. You have read the plan of work and noticed the change in management. Have you, in your County Executive Committee meeting, discussed this matter as to whether you wanted to join with one or more counties or hold yours alone? Whether great good might not come to each and every county in particular and the State in general by submitting to schedule dates? I am sure the matter of economy gives the deciding vote for schedule dates, and a uniform program assures success.

## DEPARTMENT FUND.

January MESSAGE will contain a program for our first quarterly department meeting. If Unions will have decided to hold this meeting, arranged for the place and those necessary preliminaries, then they can soon master the program. We shall be happy if any Unions try it. We shall be on the mountain top of joy and the pinnacle of success if fifty Unions try carry it out. And think of the fund that will accumulate from fifty collections.



## IMPORTANT.

Our paper is small. It will hold so many lines—no more. We can publish only the essentials. We will publish complete lists of county superintendents for the benefit of the State superintendents, lists of county officers, and, when there is room, lists of local officers and superintendents. We can not publish two reports of one meeting, and will be obliged to re-write too long reports. Condense—give us the kernel.

## STATE MINUTES.

10 cents a copy, if you pay express charges; 15 cents, if we pay postage. Order at once.

## RECORD BOOKS READY.

Local secretary's, 25 cents; county, 50 cents. We have no books for the treasurers, either local or county.

## RECEIPT AND ORDER BOOKS.

10 cents a copy, Address State secretary, 711 E. Eleventh street, for State minutes, record books, receipt and order books.

## APPOINTMENT.

I have appointed Miss Elizabeth Fisher lecturer for the department of Health, Heredity and Physical Culture. Any Union will do well to have Miss Fisher for a series of lectures. Clara Agnes Boyd, State superintendent of Health, Heredity and Physical Culture.

Good fortune comes to our doors in the person of Miss Elizabeth Preston, State president of North Dakota. Miss Preston is spending a month at Goshen, Elkhart County, and can give a few dates to Indiana. Address her at once for dates and terms at 209 E. Jefferson street, Goshen. Do not delay or you will miss the golden opportunity.

## CLINTON COUNTY.

Convention at Sedalia, one of the new Unions. Some changes made in the officers. President, Mrs. Emma Sayler, 604 W. Walnut St.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mary Ellis, W. Barner St.; recording secretary, Mrs. Hannah Van Sickle; treasurer, Mrs. Frankie Hinds, Gentry St.; all of Frankfort. County superintendents: Literature, Miss Ada Van Sickle, Jefferson; Narcotics, Miss Virginia Clay Cough; Evangelistic, Mrs. Emma Condon, S. Jackson St.; Colored, Mrs. Radcliff; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Martha Van Aradel, East First street; Press, Mrs. Florence Vance, East Walnut street; Health and Heredity, Mrs. M. Van Ardel, 31st street; Fairs, Mrs. Nannie Clark, North John street; Flower Mission, Mrs. Frankie Hinds, Gentry street; Jail and Prison, Sarah Eutraben; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Frances Boyer, 208 Anghe street; Sunday School, Mrs. Kate Parlmen, South Main street; Railroad and Charity, Mrs. Cole, East Washington street; all of Frankfort.

## FRANKFORT UNION.

Recently held a gospel meeting in the country at Farmer's Chapel, while Willard Union held one at Antioch. Excellent meetings reported at both places.

## PORTLAND UNION

Gave a Thanksgiving dinner to her poor children.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING

Of the W. C. T. U. of Wabash, Ind., was held September 2, resulting in the following ladies being elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. M. H. Kidd; vice-president, Mrs. A. F. Ebbinghouse; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Solomon Wilson; recording secretary, Mrs. B. Searles; treasurer, Mrs. Julia Herick.

MRS. SOLOMON WILSON,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## SHELBY COUNTY

W. C. T. U. convention was held at Morristown. Two Unions were represented and quite an interesting program carried out. Mrs. Josie Dicks, Shelbyville, was re-elected county president; Mrs. Handy, Shelbyville, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Tomlinson, Fairland, recording secretary, and Mrs. Bodine, Morristown, treasurer. Mrs. Handy, of Harrodsburg, Ky., was present and gave an interesting and instructive talk.

ALICE M. VAN PELT.

## WAYNE COUNTY

W. C. T. U. was held in Greens Fork October 15. The report of the Superintendent was not so full as could have been wished. The old officers were re-elected, that is: Hannah W. Stanley, Economy, President; Martha B. Timberlake, Boston, Corresponding Secretary; Lucinda G. Moffitt, Richmond, Recording Secretary; Mattie J. Gates, Centerville, Treasurer. We were highly favored in having the company of Mrs. Stoddard, State President of Texas, and also our own Mrs. McWhirter, at our convention, especially Mrs. McWhirter, who, on account of missing railroad connection, had to ride twenty miles in a carriage in order to be with us. They both spoke in the evening to a large and attentive audience. Some of our women attended the World's and National Convention.

L. G. MOFFITT,  
Secretary.

## LAPORTE COUNTY.

Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Libbie Grist, Westville; Superintendent Parliamentary, Mrs. Dr. Wardun, LaPorte; Temperance Literature, Mrs. J. W. Ridgeway, LaPorte; Superintendent Law, Labor and Statistics, Mrs. Mary Smith, West Main St., LaPorte; Press, Mrs. S. Petus, 711 Tipton St., LaPorte; Purity, Mrs. Kimball, Westville; Evangelistic, Mrs. M. A. Baumgardner, Short St., LaPorte; Superintendent Mercy and Franchise, Mrs. Lucy Clark, Westville; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Rachel Bowers, Harrison St., LaPorte; Good Citizenship, Mrs. N. J. Young, Michigan City; Narcotics, Mrs. Mary Jackson, Monroe St., LaPorte; Charity, Mrs. Clarence Wood, Michigan City; County Fair, Mrs. J. W. Ridgeway, LaPorte; L. T. L., Mrs. India Woolley, Michigan City.

## DELAWARE COUNTY CONVENTION.

Officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, Eaton; Treasurer, Mrs. Kate Foorman, Eaton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. R. Nelson, Muncie; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. R. Lockhart, Albany.

Superintendents: Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Jane Foorman, Eaton; Press Work, Mrs. D. R. Nelson, Muncie; Fair Work, Mrs. E. Thompson, Muncie; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Ella Bond, West Side; Flower Missions, Mrs. Ebright, West Side; Medal Contest, Mrs. Josie Buck, Muncie; Evangelistic, Mrs. Ella Bond, West Side; Systematic Giving, Mrs. E. S. White, Muncie; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. M. B. Duncan, Muncie; Sunday School, Mrs. Rhoda Current, Albany.

Sixteen names, with the money, were given for THE MESSAGE.

D. R. NELSON.

## DE KALB COUNTY.

Waterloo Union, having such close neighbors in the new Union at Butler, and the County President and Secretary residing in our town, feels very much in earnest for a splendid year's work. Our President called our Executive Committee meeting Nov. 4th, in the afternoon, at the beautiful home of the Keeran sisters at Auburn. These ladies are great workers in the W. C. T. U., and extended invitations to all the Unions. The inclement weather limited the attendance. The business of electing Superintendents came before us, resulting as follows:

Evangelistic, Mrs. C. B. Jones, Jarrett; Medal Contest, Mrs. Addie Sewell, Waterloo; Mothers' Meetings and Social Purity, Mrs. Ehlers, Auburn; Flower Missions, Mrs. Lackey, Auburn; Systematic Giving, Miss Laura Keeran, Auburn; Sunday School, Mrs. Silvers, Auburn; Literature, Mrs. I. D. Daily, Butler; Jail Work, Mrs. Quince, Auburn; Mercy and Help, Mrs. Kazy, St. Joe Station; Press, Mrs. Maggie Stafford, St. Joe Station.

Mrs. Toast, of Michigan, formerly of Auburn, sang a solo, to our delight. Some minor business matters occupied a few minutes, followed by social chat, and lastly the dining-room called us to sumptuous fare. Two long tables were bountifully spread. A spray of white chrysanthemums graced each plate. The passing of time and the coming on of darkness and clouds compelled us to separate with regret for leaving such good company and our dear hosts, but we felt that it was good to have been there.

MRS. O. A. LONG,  
Superintendent Press Work.

## ZIONSVILLE.

At our last monthly meeting we organized our Assembly Union, with the following officers: Mrs. Gates,

president; Mrs. Alice Swain, first vice-president; Mrs. Dora Gregory, second vice-president; Mrs. Sue Gregory, secretary; Mrs. Silvia Branum, Treasurer, all of Zionsville.

MRS. FRANK ANDERSON.

## ELKHART COUNTY NOTES.

Rev. Mattie Cammack spent some time in Elkhart county organizing and recruiting the army of White Ribboners.

The Pabst Brewing Company, of Milwaukee, sent a booklet called "Baby Secrets" by mail to our County President, Rev. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, asking her to be sure and read it. She did read it, and in answering enclosed one of our leaflets, explaining why insurance companies will not take a man that gets drunk, and railroad managers will not employ men that use any intoxicating drinks in any form, and a great many more statistics, saying: "I have read your leaflet, as you asked me to. Will you please read mine in return?"

Goshen and Elkhart Unions will observe Universal Temperance Sunday. The committees in both Unions are planning broadly and with much enthusiasm. Rev. M. A. Tompkins will give the main address at Elkhart, and Rev. Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack will address the citizens of Goshen in a mass meeting, and ministers of all the different churches have been asked to preach a temperance sermon and some will respond to the earnest appeal.

The Goshen Y Branch is growing rapidly. At nearly every meeting new members are added to the Union. Friday evening, November 26th, we had a baby social at Mrs. D. T. Kauffman's, in which an interesting program and light refreshments were some of the principal features. We are a very much alive Union, and can report twenty-five Y's with prospects favorable.

MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
Press Superintendent.

## WEST INDIANAPOLIS

Union gave a public meeting Friday evening, November 12th, at the Congregational Church, with Mrs. Emma Cranmer, of South Dakota, as speaker. Four W's, two Y's and one honorary member were secured. "Why a church member should belong to the W. C. T. U." was distributed. HATTIE S. MOORMAN.

The lecture delivered by Mrs. Emma E. A. Cranmer on Sunday morning, at Central Avenue M. E. Church, under the auspices of Marion County W. C. T. U., was attended by a large concourse of people. The speaker was earnest and eloquent, and the attention she received was marked. Mrs. Cranmer is a power in the temperance cause.

MRS. LECK.

## MARION COUNTY

Voted at its last Executive meeting to offer a premium to the Union that observes all the red letter days. A first, second and third.

First premium, "A Great Mother," by Frances Willard; second, a year's subscription to the *Union Signal*; third, a year's subscription to the *Young Crusader*.

## HAMILTON COUNTY.

Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction, Phebe L. Doan, Westfield; Temperance Literature, Lottie Lindley, Sheridan; Press, Bertha Hunt, Sheridan; Narcotics, Martha B. Stanley, Westfield; Franchise, Candace Johnson, Carmel; Jail and Prison, O. W. Carson, Cicero; Flower Mission, K. K. Kenyon, Westfield; Sabbath School, Anna Wells, Westfield.

## VINCENNES UNION

Observed memorial services for Neal Dow. The Grand Army and pastors of the several churches met with them.

## DUBOIS COUNTY OFFICERS

Elected at the last county convention, and their postoffice address is Ireland. President, Mrs. M. L. Hobbs; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alpha Gleazen; Recording Secretary, Miss Ora Brittan; Treasurer, Miss May DeBruler.

The program at the convention was one of special merit. Jasper Abel, aged 18, won the gold medal and we feel sure he will be for us at the ballot box when his time comes to speak there. There are many obstacles to be overcome in Dubois County and it takes brave hearts to stand as they do.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## WINE SERVED AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

President McKinley gave a dinner at the White House to-night in honor of the prime minister of Canada and his associates in the seal conference. The affair was important because of the high rank of the guests of honor, because it was the first state dinner of the season, and because for the first time in the McKinley administration wine was served. The decorations for the table were not elaborate. Autumn leaves were arranged about the center pieces and glasses were set for claret and champagne.

The above paragraph appears in one of the daily letters sent from Washington City by Wm. E. Curtis to the *Chicago Record*. No doubt President McKinley counted the cost of such action and realizes what it means. To deliberately give his influence to social drinking means a direct blow at the homes and the churches of this great nation. By this action his influence is opposed to all the scientific temperance instruction, which in every State but four, is required by law to be given in the public schools. The higher intelligence of the country is expressing disappointment and indignation.

We must redouble our energies, do more for organization and the circulation of temperance papers. The time is at hand when every Christian woman should align herself with the W. C. T. U. and help push the battle against the social wine-cup and the saloon. Let our great society rise in its strength to the duty of the hour. Let no president of a Union regard this appeal with indifference. Let us see what can be done for increased membership and for better temperance sentiment, by universal effort in Indiana. For once let us give ourselves with determination and enthusiasm to a united, supreme effort for the W. C. T. U. The cause is worthy and the end inspiring. A successful canvass for membership will reveal our latent strength and thrill the entire organization with new life and hope. Will you help? Will you decide just now that you will immediately secure one new member and devise some practical way of helping to advance the work of your Union? When the new member you secure has paid her dues, please send me the name and address, that I may use it in my list on the first page of next month's MESSAGE.

Each officer and superintendent of a department needs a copy of the Annual Report, as well as each member who is enough interested in the county and State work to study the plan of organization. If the different members will invest a few dimes each and get these Reports for their ministers, Sabbath school superintendents and high grade school teachers, the sentiment of many will be favorable to our work, instead of indifferent or antagonistic, as at present. Each member should read the *Union Signal* and the MESSAGE, both for \$1.10 per year.

Sisters, help us thus to sow the seed, and God will bless the efforts. How many copies of the Reports will you need? Please send your order with the money to Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
L. F. McWHIRTER.

## IMPORTANT TO SUBSCRIBERS.

A blue cross upon your paper indicates that your subscription expires with that issue.

Any one having sent in State dues during the past quarter and failing to receive receipt for the same, will please notify me at once and duplicates will be sent. I am delighted to inform you that more dues have been received during the past quarter than during any corresponding quarter for several years. Let us make the next three months even better.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## JOHNSON COUNTY W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Johnson County W. C. T. U. met in convention November 23, in North Baptist Church, Franklin,

Ind. Convention was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by the president, and after devotional exercises, proceeded to business.

A motion was made and seconded that we reverse the usual order of business and elect officers during the morning session. The motion was carried and the election proceeded. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Annie Alexander, president, Whiteland; Mrs. Adda Buckingham, vice-president, Franklin; Mrs. E. E. Covert, treasurer, Franklin; Mrs. Lizzie Dunlap, recording secretary, Franklin; Mrs. Olive Byers, corresponding secretary, Franklin. After noontide prayer, convention adjourned until 1:30.

There was a fairly good attendance in the afternoon, and the audience listened to a very impressive and interesting address by Mrs. M. L. Gipe, of Indianapolis, county superintendent of Mothers' Meetings. She was followed by Mrs. Margaret Carson, of the Door of Hope, Indianapolis, in a very interesting and profitable talk on the work of that institution.

The evening session found a crowded house, expecting to hear Mrs. Buchanan, police matron, of Indianapolis, but in her absence we listened to some very helpful and encouraging words from our county president.

MRS. OLIVE BYERS,  
Corresponding Secretary.

Read November MESSAGE for "Plan of Work"  
Have you decided to write one of "The Six Papers of Note?"  
Are you working for the premiums on membership?  
Remember those given for getting subscriptions to the MESSAGE.—Ed.

## STATE FUND FOR ORGANIZATION.

On page 46 of our last Annual Report is found the report of the Committee on "Plan of Work." In the last paragraph is found this recommendation: "That every State speaker hold one public meeting and take a collection and send it to the State Treasurer for an organization fund." Now, plans of work have been going out to local Unions and workers from State conventions for a good many years, but one seldom thoroughly tested. A plan may be very good indeed at one end of the line, but if it is not connected at the other end with hearty co-operation and sympathy, it simply amounts to nothing more than the brain force that was spent to create it. Dear State co-workers, let each one of us fulfill this recommendation in the month of February, and have it done with, and the State will then have the money to meet any deficit in organization.

MATTIE CAMMACK.

## OMISSION.

Two Red Letter days were left out of the minutes. January 3d, "Mothers' Day," and February 22d, "Patriotic Day." Those having the *Union Signal* on file will get an idea of these days by reading the issue of December 24th, 1896, and January 30th, 1897. Mrs. Martha L. Gipe calls attention to this oversight.—Ed.

Letter to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Treasurer National W. C. T. U., The Temple, Chicago:

DEAR MADAM—We recently purchased from Raworth, Schodde & Co. their plant, trade mark, etc., and are now manufacturing the celebrated "Wool Soap." We will make you what we think a very generous proposition: that is, for every Wool Soap wrapper that you return to us between now and January 1st, 1899, we will pay you one cent each. Just think what this means to your Association if each one of your members only purchase one cake of this soap a week! It means that you will receive \$2,000 weekly. They could also recommend it to their friends and have the

wrappers given to them, and by working it in this way we think you should derive a benefit of at least \$150,000 the coming year.

There is no better white floating soap on the market than "Wool Soap," and we will guarantee to keep the quality equal to what it is at the present time. It is the only soap that will wash woollens without shrinking, the best soap made for general laundry purposes, and is unexcelled for toilet and bath.

We will co-operate with you and give you as much assistance in getting our proposition known to your members as possible. Yours respectfully,

SWIFT & COMPANY.

None genuine unless cut of babies on the wrapper.

DEAR SISTER—We have made arrangements with Swift & Co. for the sale of Wool Soap, and if we can enlist our women and their friends to buy this soap during the next year and send the wrappers to us, we can gather in many dollars for our work.

1. The soap is an excellent article, and each woman will be benefited by using it.

2. Swift & Co. are a perfectly reliable firm, and will keep all their promises.

3. Here is a simple way in which every woman can strengthen the State and National without any financial loss to herself. Please bring this matter before your local Union, and ask every member to buy this soap and enlist every other woman to do the same. Appoint some faithful, earnest woman to look after the matter, and gather up the wrappers and send monthly to me.

To the woman sending in the largest number of wrappers during the year we will give as a prize Miss Willard's "Glimpses;" to the one sending the next largest number, "A Great Mother;" to the one sending the largest number from each State, we will give a badge or button with a beautiful portrait of Miss Willard. May we count on your doing this work thoroughly and systematically?

This firm will give the National one cent for each wrapper. These are all to be sent to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, The Temple, Chicago. An account will be kept with each State, and 30 per cent. of all receipts will be sent by the National Treasurer back to the State Treasurer. If the grocers of your town do not now keep this excellent soap, go to them and tell them that nearly all the women are going to want this soap, and ask them to order it at once from their jobber.

The general officers and nearly every State President heartily endorse the plan, your own State President among the number. The success of this plan will depend upon the earnestness with which you take it up, and talk it up, and follow it up, and keep it up.

Money is needed by State and National for literature, for organization, and for pushing the work. Thousands of dollars will come into our treasuries, my sisters, if we will all say a good word for Wool Soap, and keep saying it. Be careful not to forget to save and send the wrappers. Go to work at once. Send a slip giving name and address in full of sender with each package of wrappers, so that proper credit may be given to each State and to those who compete for prizes. Looking for the welcome packages of wrappers, I am yours for Wool Soap, that will cleanse our ways and make the wheels run smoothly.

HELEN M. BARKER,  
Treasurer.

P. S. If your dealer refuses to put Wool Soap in stock, please send his name and address to Swift & Co., Chicago, Ill., and we will arrange to have you supplied.

Superintendents of departments can get copies of the MESSAGE at fifty cents per one hundred to send out to their local workers. This will surely increase the circulation of our paper. Mrs. Sims and Denny have their orders in for their departments.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

The chairman of the board of superintendents offers a friendly word of good cheer to superintendents of all lines of work and wishes to say, let's all join in the sentiment that this shall be our very best year's work. Under God's blessing it may be. I have had the pleasure of reporting the World's and National convention many times; the people like to hear it; I enjoy giving it. Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, Vincennes, and Mrs. W. H. Stahl, Hartford City, have been made associate evangelists.

ELLA J. DAVIS,

Chairman Board of Superintendents.

## PROGRAM.

Quarterly department meeting in the interest of the department plan, Jan. 25th or the 28th. The White Ribbon Hymnal, opening song, "Loyal and True," page 44. Prayer. Bible reading, Christian Citizenship. (This can be obtained of the secretary, 711 E 11th street, Indianapolis.) Song, "The Crisis," page 57. The department of Sabbath Observance brought to notice in a recitation from W. C. T. U. contest book No. 1, "Six or Seven, Which?" Ten minutes' paper, "Woman's Enfranchisement," Ten minutes' paper, "Temperance in the Sunday School." Recitation on the Department of Narcotics, W. C. T. U. contest book No. 1, "The Universal Boon." Collections. Song "Some Glad Day," page 54. Benediction.

Distribute literature at the door as the audience passes out. Use department leaflet No. 46, 15 cents a hundred, from the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, the Temple, Chicago, Ill. The chairman should read the definition given for the departments on the program from the annual leaflet, and add any other remarks she may choose. Report department meeting to the State secretary.

## JAIL AND PRISON.

I would like to urge through the columns of the MESSAGE the necessity of every county having a superintendent of Jail and Prison. There is such a need of earnest gospel work being done in our prisons. I am anxious to visit every organized county in the State during the year. I desire the county superintendents to report to me at least once every three months. Will you answer the following questions?

1. Do you find your county behind in the work?
2. What use have you made of the press?
3. Have you secured the assistance of pastors and other Christian workers?
4. Are your visits kindly received by officials?
5. What literature have you used, and how much?
6. Do you use pledges? How many signatures have you obtained?
7. How often do you visit the county jail?
8. Do you co-operate with the superintendent of Flower Mission in observance of Flower Mission day?
9. Do you observe prison Sunday by special services and literature?
10. Have you provided a library?
11. Are there separate apartments for women?
12. Have you found men, women and children in the same corridors or cells in county jails?
13. Have you made the fact public through the press and reported the same to the State Board of Charities?
14. Do you write to the men sent to the penitentiary from your county?

ELLEN K. DENNY,

State Superintendent.

## WORK AMONG MINERS.

In counties that have not a superintendent for Work among Miners, it will be the work of the super-

intendent for Jails and Prisons to answer the following questions. When you have mines in your vicinity, procure the names of all the workmen from the superintendent, and then visit each home systematically.

1. How many miners are employed?
2. How many homes visited by your workers?
3. How many of the men, women and children are Christians?
4. How many conversions this year?
5. How many miners' wives are members of the W. C. T. U.?
6. How many miners and their children in Sunday Schools?
7. Have you a Mercy Band?
8. How many children in industrial school and L. T. L.?
9. Have you a night school?
10. How many Bibles have been distributed?
11. How many pages of literature have been distributed?
12. How many scrap books to miners' children?
13. How many temperance meetings held?
14. How many signed the pledge?
15. How many saloons are in reach of your miners?
16. How many appeals to the mining companies for aid in your work and what result?

Questions to be answered in counties where there are no miners:

1. To how many men do you send literature?
2. How often do you send?
3. How many pages have you sent?
4. How much money have you expended?
5. How many letters have you sent to the men?
6. How many replies have been received?
7. What other work have you done for miners?

Will not every local superintendent do her best in carrying out these plans, as they are the questions your State superintendent has to report to the National superintendent.

ELLEN K. DENNY,

State Superintendent Work Among Miners.

## NO MORE FREE MEDALS.

The Demorest Bureau has been merged into the W. C. T. U. Bureau, and Mrs. Carman will handle all the medals, the workers taking their choice. Only W. C. T. U. medals can have a second prize free. There will be no more free medals under any conditions. Prices of medals are as follows: W. C. T. U. and Demorest, silver \$1.25; W. C. T. U. and Demorest, gold \$5.00; W. C. T. U. and Demorest, G. gold \$10.00; W. C. T. U. small diamond \$25.00; W. C. T. U. large diamond \$40.00; Demorest, diamond \$50.00. Special medals. W. C. T. U. Silver Gray, silver \$2.00; W. C. T. U. Silver Grey, gold \$5.00; W. C. T. U. Matrons, silver \$2.00; W. C. T. U. Matrons, gold \$5.00; W. C. T. U. Narcotic, silver \$1.25; W. C. T. U. Narcotic, gold \$5.; W. C. T. U. Suffrage, silver \$1.25; W. C. T. U. Suffrage, gold \$5.00; W. C. T. U., L. T. L., silver \$1.25; W. C. T. U., L. T. L., gold \$5.00; W. C. T. U. Musical, silver \$1.25; W. C. T. U. Musical, gold \$3.00. Order books, medals, rules and blanks from the state superintendent. Send your money with your order. W. C. T. U. books and the Demorest of both Nos. 1, 2 and 3, 10 cents each; Cooper books, for suffrage contest only, 15 cents each.

MARY E. BALCH,

711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.

State Superintendent.

Extracts from the "Recommendations" for 1898-9 by Miss E. W. Greenwood, national superintendent of evangelistic work. The usual evangelistic work, outlined in my "Hints and Helps for Evangelistic Workers," is always before us as we face a new year of effort. This work is especially necessary for the new unions constantly organized. It is well, however, that each year have a special key note. I would especially emphasize the following lines of work for this year's campaign.

## RESCUE WORK.

This has been the mission of the Evangelistic Department from the beginning. In some localities a new impulse may be needed. Let us push this special work everywhere. By meeting in halls, school houses, depots, prisons and jails, camp and out-door services, let us seek to "rescue the perishing." To this door of opportunity the Pierced Hands ever point.

## OUR FOUNDATION STONES.

Let great care be exercised this year to emphasize in all public meetings the foundations of our work; what are these? Our sure and only reliance upon the Holy Spirit and the word of God; the earnest invitation to a personal Christ; the duty of total abstinence; the presentation, as in former days, of the pledge; the convention evangelistic hour from 11 to 12 a. m.; the noontide prayer.

## THE CHURCHES.

Let the movement to arouse the Church, so fully outlined in "Hints and Helps," and so successfully inaugurated in many localities, be continued.

## PASTORAL VISITATION.

The presence at each county convention of the state superintendent or evangelist would greatly add to the power of these gatherings. Wherever possible hold an evangelistic service the evening preceding the convention. Also an early morning devotional service, in addition to the convention evangelistic hour.

## LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Let each county superintendent remember that one of her first duties is to secure a local evangelistic superintendent in each union and to inspire her for work.

## HINTS AND HELPS.

Believing that this little book, "Hints and Helps," in the hands of each local superintendent will result in greater spirituality and harmony, I urge all county superintendents and organizers to assist in its distribution. County and local superintendents should present it at W. C. T. U. meetings and all conventions, taking orders for the same. The names and P. O. orders can then be forwarded and a copy will be sent to each address. The price is ten cents and postage, or twelve cents. Send direct to the evangelistic superintendent of the World's and National W. C. T. U. at 59 Remsen street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

## ALMSHOUSES.

The department of "work in almshouses," having been merged into the evangelistic, let our local superintendents plan frequent visits to these institutions, establish libraries and frequent Sabbath services. Co-operate with state boards of corrections and charities, and by every means better the condition of the unfortunate and outcast by carrying light into their darkness and Christ's peace to their hearts.

The state superintendent would add an earnest word of exhortation to all our county and local superintendents to push on to better work throughout the state. May this be the year of best work since we have been an organization. Dear sister, what can I do to help you? Please report to me, at once, through your county evangelistic superintendent (those who have not already reported.) Yours to serve,

ELLA J. DAVIS,

Richmond, Ind.

State Superintendent.

## MRS. THURMAN AND WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

In planning for the coming year's work, county presidents and local workers, please do not fail to include our colored people. Encouraging reports come to me of colored women attending and participating in exercises of white unions and of plans for organization of them by themselves. Mrs. Lucy Thurman, our national superintendent of this department, writes urging us to go forward. We felt, when she left us last September, after two weeks crowded full of good work, that she could accomplish great things for us, especially in the way of organization, if she could return this year and, in each town or city where she gave public addresses, to follow them with afternoon meetings for counsel and organization. She is a wise leader, a consecrated, gifted speaker, as those of us who had the privilege of working with her in our state can testify. Our women who attended the national convention tell us of the calls sent in for her to speak in the largest and most influential churches in that city. She is a woman whom any union will be greatly blessed in securing. Her terms are reasonable. They are traveling expenses, entertainment and collections. In this year's state minutes see report of last year's work. If unions or pastors of colored churches desire her services in the interest of the cause she represents, and will comply with above terms they will please write Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 E 11th street, Indianapolis, without delay, as Mrs. Thurman's time may soon be all engaged and we will begin, at once, to plan for the most general and thorough organization among colored people which Indiana has ever known. Mrs. Thurman loves her people and they love and are proud of her. Why wait longer? The battle is on. Put forth your best effort and God will give you success.

I will send copies of this number of the MESSAGE to colored teachers, pastors or any others who are interested and would be interested in reading this article, if you will send me their addresses.

I will be glad to have any items of interest in regard to colored unions or temperance work of any kind among colored people.

MARY E. SIMS,

3346 Central avenue.

State Superintendent.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

A few days before Thanksgiving the writer made an unexpected visit to the Industrial School, and was pleased to see the glow of health on the cheeks of the girls, and the happy, contented spirit manifested by all. Every girl in the Home attends school regularly, and some seem quite ambitious to make advancement in the higher branches of study. I spent the Sabbath in the Home, and have reason to think that they all enjoyed its hallowed privileges. But it is my purpose to speak of things temporal at this writing. Some much needed improvements have been made recently. A substantial stone walk has been laid down the front lawn, leading toward the village school. A culvert now spans the damp ground between the yard and roadway, making it possible to reach the highway without incurring the risk of wet feet in their daily walk to postoffice and school. The old front rail fence has been removed, leaving the new wire fence visible. Some straw has been procured for bedding for cattle and horses, adding materially to their comfort. The two hundred fowls are nicely housed, and shell-food provided in addition to their regular food supply, hoping thereby to secure better returns in the egg basket. Two large hogs have been butchered for home consumption, and several others will be ready to follow soon. Our benevolent friend and adviser, Mr. Robert E. Carmack, recently presented the Home with thirty pounds of honey and two dozen brooms. In company with his daughters he visited the Home during the holidays. The superintendent and matron are self-denying and anxious to see this institution flourish.

I should like to emphasize the suggestion of our State president as published in last month's MESSAGE, that the W. C. T. U. members throughout the State will each contribute one dollar to be appropriated to the payment of the Hadley Home debt. We all believe this Home may be a factor in directing the lives of girls who come under its influence, and as they go out to mingle with the world they may become a power for good. I shall be glad to contribute one dollar to this worthy cause.

LUCRETIA HOBART,  
President Board of Trustees.

Danville, Ill.

Note—The following quotation from my former communication is referred to: "A sum equal to the average of \$1.00 per member sent as a free-will offering from each Union, would entirely cancel all debts and relieve the school of all embarrassment."

L. F. McWHIRLER.

## THE LAST CHANCE FOR A PICTURE OF MRS. J. R. NICHOLS.

Our comrade, well beloved and well remembered in our white ribbon circles, gave in her life time a number of large half tone pictures of herself, to the president of the Hadley Board, for the benefit of our Industrial school. Mrs. Nichols considered that each one would bring \$5 into the treasury of this institution. This offer is now made to individuals or unions: All sending in \$10 for this purpose between January 15 and May 15, 1898, money to be made by contest or otherwise, will receive in return one of these handsome and life-like pictures.

To have the face of this successful, sacrificing worker looking down upon us in our homes will be an inspiration. And the sum of ten dollars, multiplied many times, will make the contractor happy, too. Remember, the limited number of pictures will most likely leave the laggard out in the cold—first come, first served. Now, let this offer move off briskly, and long before the time limit has expired let every picture be hanging in some W. C. T. U. home or Union hall.

MRS. FRANCES POTTER,  
834 N. East street, Indianapolis. Ex-President of Hadley Board.

## A PLAN THAT SUCCEEDS.

Some enterprising women of this state have solved a scheme for helping on our Industrial School for girls. As a result the W. C. T. U. of Grant county sent to the treasurer of the Hadley school a good sum, which helps very much when there are so many places for our money. Of course you want to know about it. They asked a prominent firm to give a per cent of the gross receipts on three days' sales. The firm, consisting of wide-awake business men, readily agreed, and in addition offered to do their own advertising, so the Unions of the county were at no expense except to get out a few hundred bills. Each member invited her friends and wrote letters, and a number of the women remained in the store during open hours to welcome and show people over the store.

The end of three busy days showed the women the

plan was a good one for them, and the following statement from the firm, sent in answer to our inquiry, will speak for itself:

MARION, IND., Dec. 22, 1897.

Mrs. Phoebe R. Curryer, Indianapolis, Ind.

DEAR MADAM—We, the undersigned proprietors of "The Big Store," of Marion, Indiana, do say that on the 29th and 30th of September and the 1st of October, 1897, we gave the Grant county W. C. T. U., for the benefit of the Hadley Home, three benefit days, and allowed them five per cent of our gross receipts on those three days. And we further say that we consider it a complete success financially, as well as a good advertising scheme.

Respectfully,

MILLER & BARLEY.

Dear sisters, may we hope that each Union in our State will adopt this plan to help our Industrial School? Think it over. Try it, and send results to our treasurer, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind., and let us, before another State convention, have this debt which so hinders the progress of our work completely settled.

Yours in the work,

PHOEBE R. CURRYER.

Dear Sisters—The membership of our grand organization needs more than anything else, at this time, to make itself felt as a force on two lines, viz: law enforcement and business. We must uphold and support the legislation we have been instrumental in putting on our statute books, such as our scientific temperance instruction, curfew and cigarette laws. Then we want funds for our work and to settle the remaining indebtedness on our Hadley Industrial School. In Greensburg we have found "drumming" the grandest way of all to attract attention, broaden the workers and put shekels into our treasury. We are at present engaged, as a Union, in advertising and soliciting trade for one of our merchants for a per cent on sales. A former venture of the kind, while we were novices in the business, netted us near \$60.00 for four days' effort. We had 3,000 cards struck with a holiday advertisement for our present effort, and the individual members of the Union distributed these among their friends, asking them to buy of our house. The price of the purchase was noted on the back of the card by clerk and dropped in a drawer with others. The summing up gives our per cent. Mr. Dalmbert, the proprietor, testifies as follows of our effort, which he says he will not limit in time. Financially yours,

ELLA B. WRIGHT.

"My Dear Mrs. Wright—We are glad to state that the arrangement we made with you (paying the W. C. T. U. a per cent on merchandise sold through them) was a perfect success, as we were able to reach people who never before were in our store. Yours truly,

DALMBERT & Co."

## MERCY DEPARTMENT. PRIZE OFFERED.

I want to have a great deal of work done in our department this coming year. Will you all help me? I cannot do it myself, but if we all unite our efforts we can do anything we wish. Now, I will offer a prize of \$2.00 worth of humane literature to the county superintendent sending in a report of the largest amount of work done during the year. I will announce the name of the successful competitor at our next State convention, and send the literature to her address. Please every one try for this prize. If you want any instructions as to what work to do, just write to me and I will help you all I can. To help you out, in next month's MESSAGE I will give a list of questions which I will send out as report blanks next September, and by looking over these you can see what is expected of you. But write to me, any way, and let me know you intend to try for the prize, and I will help you all I can. You might induce your local superintendents to help you work by offering them part of the literature, should you win it. Now, every one try and God will bless your efforts.

Yours to help,

LOU E. RALL,  
Huntington, Ind.

Jefferson W. C. T. U. gave an entertainment Thanksgiving night, consisting of some questions and answers from the catechism. A responsive reading about our World's Work, some reading from reports of National convention, also some other readings and recitations interspersed with songs. The weather was unfavorable but we had a fair crowd. Collection \$1.88.

H. L. ELLIOTT,  
Secretary.

On Sept. 23, 1897, the W. C. T. U. of Versailles, Ind., held their election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: president, Mrs. Emma Willson; vice-president, Mrs. Eva Wood; secretary Mrs. Mary Tyrrell; treasurer, Mrs. H. E. White. Our work is not progressing as rapidly as we could wish it to, nor are we doing as much for the cause of temperance as we would like, but there are a few faithful ones and we have God's promise that "one shall chase a thousand and two shall put ten thousand to flight."

MARY E. WILLSON.

## CONTESTS.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters of Indiana—I know those who were so interested in W. C. T. U. medal contest work last year were disappointed because they did not win the banner promised to the state that held the most contests in proportion to membership. But you came very near winning it, and if local workers had not been negligent about sending in the certificates, you might have won it. Your State Superintendent, Mrs. Balch, will follow instructions, though she lose the banner, and would not count the medals sent out when contests had been held unless they sent in the certificates signed. I believe that if every contest had been reported Indiana would have won. Will you be very careful this year and not let this happen again? I do not believe any State superintendent worked more faithful than did she, always hopeful and brave until the last. Her letters of sympathy and trust in myself and the work has been an inspiration to me during the year, and though cast down, she is not discouraged and commences the new year with a determination to win. Will you help her?

It is not necessary to expatiate on the benefits of this department of work. You know that a contest is educational and that they can be made of financial help. What is needed is something said that will arouse you to action. I know how you appreciate your State superintendent and that this year you will help her lead on to victory. There were many counties last year that held no contests. Will not the Unions that held no contests last year commence now, early in the season and hold a series? Last year you held a contest for every 22 members. Set your mark one for every ten and win. You netted the sum of \$444.43 for the Hadley Industrial School. This year work to get it out of debt. Mrs. Balch has circulars and rules and keeps a supply of medals and recitation books on hand. Send for the Responsive Readings. They will be helpful to Unions that have held no contests. In localities where many of the series of contests have been held, hold a matron's contest, either orations or essay contests. There are no rules governing other than the series, and matron's contests are always a success financially. Hold a musical contest in connection with the oratorical. Miss Morris, of Missouri, writes me that she had contests of preachers, teachers, lawyers, business men, politicians, even the blind recited, and she feels prouder winning the contest banner than if they had gained a membership of five hundred. Will you help your faithful superintendent this year in this work? Yours for work,

ADELIA E. CARMAN,  
National Superintendent.

## RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

I, the Secretary of the Indianapolis Northeast W. C. T. U., having been requested by the members at our meeting on November 26, 1897, to draft resolutions of respect and sympathy for Sister Sarah Henderson, on the death of her little son, Dair, do report as follows:

WHEREAS, For the first time since having organized a Sabbath School, we have been called upon to mourn the loss of one of our brightest scholars, and one who was also a member of the L. T. L., and in view of the heaviest loss sustained by those nearer and dearer to him, be it

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say, that in regretting his removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was in every way worthy of our respect and love.

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them and commend them for consolation to him who orders all things for the best, and whose chastisements are mean in mercy.

Resolved, That this heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy, sorrow and love be sent to the family of our departed scholar and little friend, and a copy be recorded in the minutes of our Union.

LEONORA J. MCCARTHY,  
Secretary.



## FIELD NOTES.

Wabash has fifty members, and calls herself the Josephine R. Nichols Union.

Mrs. Phebe Roberts, who represented the Greensburg Union at State Board of Charities at Evansville, was invited to read a paper on "Organized and Associated Charities," before their county commissioners.

Bluffton Union visits their jail.

Bloomington is arranging a matrons' contest for January. Mrs. L. M. Beck has just led the local Union a successful campaign against their saloons, keeping three out: one on remonstrance, one on character and one on room description.

DeKalb county has a new Union at Butler organized by Mattie Cammack. St. Joseph has one at South Bend by Mrs. Eva Taggart. Madison, at Summitville, the work of our new state organizer, Mrs. Retta Jones. Henry county at Disco, by the county president. Terre Haute a Y by Miss Hadley. Dubois two unions by Mrs. Anderson. Columbus, Whitley county, an L. T. L. by Miss Mina Squires.

Souvenir papers Mrs. D. T. Smith, of the Bluffton Union and corresponding secretary of Wells county, writes papers on some phase of our W. C. T. U. work, which are read at the regular meetings of the local union and then presented to some member as a souvenir. These papers are adding largely to the attendance. The readers of the MESSAGE would enjoy a paper from so useful a pen. We regret to mention, it must be short.—Ed.

Mrs. Cammack reports excellent meetings at New London, Howard county. She visits Noble county in January. Her report of the World's and National convention at the various unions in Grant county are being well received. A teacher remarked at the close of one meeting "the young people have been taught more in this lecture than I could teach them in a month."

Mrs. L. M. Starbuck, of Westland, Hancock county, spent a very profitable week in Grant county. She came under the auspices of the Friends' church and in some places the W. C. T. U. cooperated. Her stereopticon lecture on temperance was instructive and helpful to the young and appreciated by all.

Fairmount Union is sowing seed in a new field, Fowlerton, with a view to planting a union there. Mrs. Cammack gave her Scientific Temperance lecture there a few evenings ago, and dwelt largely upon the tobacco habit. Strong men were convicted and converted. One man took out his tobacco pouch and held it up and said, "See there, I will never take another chew." A young man said, I have smoked my last cigarette. They gathered about each other shaking hands and shedding tears. These were cases of genuine conversion and repentance. The ice is broken for greater things.

Vincennes Union holds a prayer service each day in the first week in January, observing January 3 as Mother's Day. Goshen Union observes January 1 as a day of prayer, also Mother's Day.

Stewartsville L. T. L. has a graduating class of fourteen. Mrs. Belle Barrett is their superintendent. Monroe and Washington counties were the first to send in their secretary's quarterly reports.

Brazil W. C. T. U. has thirty-three members and sent in thirty-three dollars for Hadley. Hurrah for Brazil.

Westport, Decatur county, will hold a medal contest Thursday evening, Jan. 6. One enterprising gentleman thought he would open a saloon there but he and his goods were met at the station by a number of men and women with axes and clubs. He thought it would not be healthy for him there and moved on.

Kewanna Union will have a place on the program of Fulton County's Farmers' Institute.

The Farmers' Institute of Decatur County invited the W. C. T. U. county president to speak at the close of their lecture.

An official member going out from the regular meeting of a Union, met a lady who handed her two dollars for the good of the work. Passing on a few steps farther, met a second lady who remarked: "I have been seriously impressed with the thought of the temperance work."

The outlook for 1898 is full of promise. Let every worker determine to do her best and magnify her Union and her place, and promise herself, with God's blessing, to secure one new member.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

Greensburg, Dec. 22. Last evening we had our regular semi-monthly meeting. Husbands invited: fine program. Mrs. Thomson leader. Good attendance,

fine speeches. We have divided our Union into four sections of twenty members each. The section obtaining the most members, and putting the most money into the treasury by a certain time will be banqueted by the other three sections. We are now drumming for a dry goods store and get a per cent. We hold monthly meetings at the poor farm, and weekly ones at our jail. Will provide the prisoners with mittens to crack stone in to keep them from swearing. Our curfew rings at 7:45 every night. Invited by one of our pastors to attend church in a body Jan. 2; subject of discussion, The Work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

ELLA B. WRIGHT

The Miami county annual convention was held at Amboy. Although small it was very interesting and profitable. The following officers were elected: president, A. Jennie Ridgeway, Amboy; corresponding secretary, Laura Cammack, Converse; recording secretary, Jael Reichard, Amboy; treasurer, Jennie Hiatt. Twelve departments of work were taken up. We had with us Mrs. S. M. I. Henry, national evangelist, who added much to the interest of the convention. Her lectures "What's a Boy Worth?" and "Why do so many children from christian homes go to ruin?" were rare treats and much appreciated by all. Mrs. Henry also remained over Sabbath and occupied Friends' pulpit both morning and night. Accepted the invitation of Howard county to unite with them in holding a joint institute the coming spring. A club of thirteen names was taken for the MESSAGE.

A. JENNIE RIDGEWAY.

Mrs. S. E. Joice, President of Vigo county, sends the following report:

In October we voted to have Miss Mary Hadley do a week's work in Vigo county. She came to us on the 4th of Dec in our first snow-storm, and presented our cause on the day following at the First Presbyterian church in the morning and at the Trinity M. E. Church in the evening. Much interest was shown and quite an accession to membership secured, including the ministers, one Sunday School superintendent, and church officers and other leading members. During the week house to house visits were made. Invitations to meet the Board of Organized Charity and other pre-arranged meetings accepted. The mayor and other city officials were interviewed in the interest of the curfew law. At the close of the week much had been accomplished, although we were hindered by the rain; but it seemed that the work was only begun. Finding that we could keep our organizer longer, the good Lord opened the way and the work has been going on another week and a half. A Y. W. C. T. U. has been organized with fifteen members, nine girls and six boys. The new organization was named for its organizer, Mary Hadley Y. The officers are: President, Miss Minnie Hessener, 1446 Elm street; corresponding secretary, Miss Essie Markle, 1520 Indiana avenue; recording secretary, Miss Maria Ashmy, 1340 Indiana avenue; treasurer, Miss Flora Holloway, 1214 N. 11th street; parliamentary critic, Mr. R. C. Creeson, of the Gazette; chairman of committee on public meetings, Mr. Perry J. Stephens, 1407 4th avenue. Space will not permit us to mention department work or church vice-presidents. Organization was planned for the county, but rain prevented. The outlook is good. We are considering taking up the stirring campaign. Total accessions to membership, forty-one; fifteen of these are honoraries. We are much pleased to have the men become so interested in our work. A number of subscriptions to the State and National papers have been taken, and the clubs, we hope, will soon be completed.

The Bluffton Union has done some good work during the past few months, and we are slowly increasing in membership. In June we paid our regular annual visit to the poor farm and held services there. We also distributed literature among the inmates. During the same week we held service at the home of an aged blind man, who has been a shut-in for several years.

Our Flower Mission has taken sunshine into many saddened homes, and our superintendent of that department is a faithful little worker who dearly loves to do her duty. Several ladies have told me that our Flower Mission has done more to draw outsiders to us than any department of our work. As long as there were flowers growing in the yards, they were taken to the Unions every time we met, and bouquets made up and distributed among those whose names were given to us as sick and shut-ins.

While our membership is not what it should be, our prospects are much brighter than they were last

year. We are now having a series of original papers read at each meeting of the Union. We expect to increase in numbers and improve our work as the weeks roll by. We have a good attendance from outside our Union, and they all profess themselves pleased with our meetings. Several of them have spoken favorably of uniting with us. Sincerely yours,

MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
Corresponding Secretary.

The Wells county W. C. T. U. met at Ossian, Sept. 6th and 7th, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. D. E. Studebaker; corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. T. Smith; recording secretary, Miss Cora Hood; treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Krewson. The meeting was a grand one, pronounced by all to be the best ever held in the county. Every number on the program was promptly filled, and a good interest was manifested. On the evening of the 7th, Rev. Somerville Light delivered a very eloquent lecture, which was heartily applauded. The house was filled to its utmost capacity, and the best of feeling prevailed.

MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. S. E. Peters, Press Superintendent of LaPorte county, writes:

After having read the last issue of the MESSAGE the thought came to me, I will tell them about our county convention at Westville, October 19. A band load of ladies started in good season for our sister city. The day was fine and the address in the evening given by Mrs. Cranmer was superfine. She came to us by way of freight (I mean on a freight train) in order to meet the engagement, and her words on that evening were freighted with wisdom. If we had ever had any objections to women speaking in public it vanished that night. We expect to have her at LaPorte in the near future, and we think many mists will be cleared away. And now about our aid society. It was started with this thought in view, that by selling fancy articles at our suppers we could raise the necessary funds to send delegates to the state convention, but the society has enlarged to such an extent that every two weeks we sew for the poor of our city, and when necessity demands, as it does now at the beginning of winter, we meet every week, take our dinners, and sew from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. taking out one hour for our regular meeting. At the beginning of the year we agreed to give one third of our net proceeds raised from suppers and socials for our department fund. We have now on hand for county and local workers \$6.70, one third of the proceeds from one supper and one social. We have planned for seven socials and four suppers for the year and we feel that if other unions will adopt this plan, next October our superintendents will not have to make the statement that they did not have money enough to carry on their work. The W's at Michigan City are all well and working away as usual; also at Westville. I wish our little paper was a large one, as it surely will be some day. We all send wishes for a joyous Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year. County officers: president, Mrs. Dr. Paxton, West Main street, LaPorte; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. J. Harrison, 705 Tipton street, LaPorte; recording secretary, Mrs. R. G. Young, Michigan City; treasurer, Mrs. Ella Scott, Westville.

Mrs. C. F. Horter, of Akron, and Mrs. Ida Weimer, of Montgomery, sent in donations to our Hadley School.

## OBITUARIES.

An old crusader, Mrs. Anna Pierce, of New Albany Union, fell asleep in death, in triumphant faith of a glorious resurrection, Dec. 8. Six young men in her Sunday school class served as her pall bearers. The Union attended the funeral in a body, each placing a bow of white ribbon in the casket. A bunch of full blown roses tied with white ribbon and the letters W. C. T. U. in immortelles lay on the coffin.

MRS. M. E. CADWALLADER.

Argos Union mourns the loss in death of Mrs. Lucy M. Smith, a widow. Her one son, 12 years old, an L. T. L. boy, must learn to do without mother, and the Union must do without a most faithful member. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

A. L. GORDON.

Dubois county grieves sorely over the going from them of Grace McSwain, their ready, self-sacrificing co-worker and efficient county corresponding secretary. The banner for best report went to this sister at our last convention and was a real pleasure to her in her last days here, for she loved the W. C. T. U. and its principles, and was a very faithful, consistent member. She died rejoicing in the faith.

M. L. HOBBS.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## MY SYMBOL PIN.

No costly brooch of rare design—  
No gem of glittering ray,  
Is this ideal pin of mine  
Worn at my throat to-day.

And yet it typifies to me  
A priceless gift to man—  
An aim that spans eternity,  
Far-reaching in its plan.

It typifies a tireless band  
Who strive, the world around,  
"For God and home, and every land"  
Where blighted homes are found.

W. B. B.

Richmond, Ind.

A blue mark around this paragraph signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew. Send subscriptions and money to the business manager, and articles for the paper to the supervising editor.

*Dear Sisters*—Many Unions have sent donations to the Hadley Industrial School; thus our indebtedness is being reduced. Let each Union send some amount for this purpose, as we are very anxious to pay off all the debts. Everywhere in our State people are interested in this school. By a determined and persistent effort we will be enabled to free it from debt.

The MESSAGE is being very kindly received by the constituency. I have many letters expressing approval and appreciation of the MESSAGE. Our women are subscribing for the *Union Signal* more generally than ever before.

The increase in interest manifested in our work seems to be very general over the State. This is most encouraging. Since my connection with the State work I have never known such universal effort to push the W. C. T. U. work as there has been since the last State convention. The crisis in our Indiana work is past; in many counties our forces are being marshaled on to victory. The State superintendents are pushing their work vigorously. I believe that the members of the State Executive Committee will go to Anderson in March, exultant with victories gained in their respective counties. New Unions, new members, old members returned, and a general revival of interest. Sisters, let me urge each officer and superintendent of a local Union to secure one new member immediately. As soon as her dues are paid and you know it, please send me a card giving her name and address and also your own, that I may use them in the MESSAGE. Space will be devoted to this purpose on the first page.

Attend your county institute and help to make it a success. Your presence and prayers will be a great help. You should not fail to help this much if you can do no more.

The Unions that hold regular gospel temperance meetings report much enthusiasm and interest. Letters received tell of the success of the work of Mrs. Cammack and Miss Brehm.

There is much to be gained by having State and National lecturers and organizers. If your Union has not had special work of this kind recently, please arrange for it very soon. Mrs. Louise Rounds, president of the Illinois W. C. T. U., will lecture at Anderson, March 8th, the first evening of the mid-year executive meeting. After that she will be available for lectures until March 15th.

The State officers have been very anxious to have Mrs. Helen L. Bullock, National and World's Organizer, come into the State this spring. Loogootee Union will take her and Miss Bullock for one week. If a few other counties or Unions would take her we could secure her services. This would mean much to those having her. Last year she secured one thousand members, who paid their dues, for the W. C. T. U. At Toronto she was made World's Organizer.

We must sow if we would reap. The effective ways of reaching the public—those interested and uninterested—are by the platform and the press. Much

money will be expended for both purposes before we gain the victory.

Subscribe for our papers for Christian women. Urge your press superintendent to faithfully keep a column in the paper, and have public meetings. Let me urge the local presidents to consider these things.

Yours for the Indiana W. C. T. U.,

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

## INDIANA Y'S.

I want to call your attention to the plan of work given by your new general secretary, Mrs. Ella B. Boole, and let us help carry out each plan and make them our own. Especially would I urge the recommendation of the second article, that of "Total Abstinence" and a "White Life for Two."

Rejoice with me that Miss Hadley has organized a splendid Y at Terre Haute, and that Central Y branch of Indianapolis is doing good work. Let 500 be our number for this year, each one secure a new member, take one special person and make them a subject of prayer, then invite and distribute leaflets and literature that will be helpful. I am now supplied with Pledge Cards and let Unions send for them, ten cents per doz. including the postage.

Which county in our State will be the first to have a Y Union or Branch organized? Boone county's Y secretary is Miss Clara Brinford, Thorntown. Marshall county's secretary Miss Minnie Snell, Bourbons. Let each county president appoint a county Y secretary as soon as possible, that I may plan with them to advance the work and bring up our membership to 500.

Let us lift up our hearts each noon to God in prayer that he will bless each effort put forth. Let each local treasurer collect dues, and send promptly to the county treasurer, and when the second quarter's dues are to be sent to our state treasurer in March you will be ready. Let this be our best year in earnest, faithful work.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## PLAN OF WORK STATE Y SECRETARIES. 1898.

1. *Organization*—To include the organization of Y. W. C. T. Unions wherever possible. If a Y cannot be organized because officers cannot be found, or the place is small and there would be danger of weakening the W. C. T. U. by taking away the younger members, organize Y Branches. The Y Branch meets with the W. C. T. U. and fifteen minutes of every session is placed at their disposal. This time is filled by the young women under the direction of the Y secretary. In case the numbers are small let the Y secretary be a committee of one to invite young women to join the W. C. T. U. In all cases see to it that a careful report is made and record kept of all who join the Y or the W. C. T. U. through the efforts or plans of the Y Branch. Urge the appointment of a Y secretary in every district, county and local union.

2. *Temperance work in young people's societies, Y. M. C. A.'s and kindred organizations*—This temperance to be up to the standard of Total Abstinence and a "White Life for Two."

3. *Temperance work in schools and colleges*—This to include temperance addresses before the students, the organization of Somerset Y's, and temperance programs in literary societies.

ELLA A. BOOLE,  
General Secretary Y. W. C. T. U.

## L. T. L. BRANCH.

*Dear Local Leaders*—Are you working hard for graduates? I wish that every leader who has a class studying for diplomas would notify me as to the number in the class. I must begin to arrange for the convention in July, and the place must be selected where the majority of the graduates will be best accommodated. Each year's convention must be better than the last. And remember, too, that it is nearly time for your State treasurer, Ina Boyer, 208 Aughe St., Frankfort,

to send out and collect your 25 cents dues. Do not wait for this, but save her the time, trouble and expense by sending it in at once. Each local leader should see to it that the graduates who are members of the State Legion pay their dues and continue the course of study as planned for them. Do not let them feel that when they have graduated that they are through, but only begun, and that they must go on to perfection and fight King Alcohol till he dies.

AMANDA R. GORDON.

Argos, Ind.

List of new paid members since Jan. 1, and the Unions to which they belong. If there are other names not reported, send them to Mrs. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

Unions.	New Members.	By whom secured.
Waterloo...	Mrs. Linda M. Darby...	Mrs. Olive Long.
Westfield...	Mary E. Gates....	M. S. Spray.
Jonesboro..	Dicie Simmons....	G. E. Shugart
LaOtto.....	Belle Bowker.....	Lucy Simons.
".....	Fanny Rumbaugh	" " "
".....	Sarah Warner.....	" " "
Ashley.....	Mr. Walter Johnson...	Miss E. P. Barger.
".....	Mrs. Peter Snowbarger	" " "
".....	Laura Taylor.....	" " "
Frankfort..	Flora Burns.....	Mrs. Emma Saylor.
".....	H. S. Adams.....	" " "
Churubusco	C. Ella Leslie.....	Mina Squires.
Whitley.....	Miss Belle Combs.....	A. Remington.
".....	Mrs. Hannah Stewart	" " "
".....	E. M. Benner.....	" " "

## L. T. L. BRANCH.

Through the columns of THE MESSAGE I wish to make an earnest appeal, and an urgent request also, for the dear boys and girls of Indiana. Dear sisters, why are we so slow to take up this department? Are we abiding by our constitution? Please read Article II. Our State secretary is in earnest. Dear sisters, let us help her in this great work, remembering, "The children are a-field." While I am organizer, yet the State L. T. L. has no money to send me out. I cannot organize unless the local Unions will permit me to do so. I have written a great many letters, a majority of which have never been answered. Those who have replied say, "We cannot find a leader." The fault is not the boys' and girls', but is with the white ribbon women. What are we going to do about it? If the mothers of the State could be made to know the direct influence of the teaching of the L. T. L. on the minds and hearts of the young, I am sure some Christian mothers would join our ranks and volunteer as leaders in this work which ought to be so near every mother's heart. I dare say that if President McKinley had been taught as the boys and girls are taught in the L. T. L. to-day, he would not have served wine at the dinner of which our State president speaks in the last MESSAGE. I want to urge county and local presidents to appoint L. T. L. secretaries to correspond and co-operate with me in pushing this great work. Can we not have a list printed in THE MESSAGE of those counties having L. T. L. secretaries?

EMMA SAYLER,

State L. T. L. Organizer.

604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort, Ind.

[Miss Georgia Wines is State Superintendent of the Department of Mercy in the State L. T. L., and we feel sure our State Superintendents in the W's will heartily welcome this new force in this field, ripe to the harvest.]—ED.

*Dear Sisters*—Through the columns of THE MESSAGE I desire to call the attention of the local L. T. L. superintendents to the work of the Department of Mercy. This is a new department, only taken up at the last L. T. L. convention, but I am very much interested in the work and desire the co-operation of all local superintendents in the State. Will you not kindly consider the necessity of this department and decide to take it up in some form in your own Legion?

GEORGIA WINES,  
State Superintendent of Mercy in L. T. L. Organization.



## OFFICIAL CALL.

Executive Committee meeting at Anderson, M. E. church, corner Meridian and Eleventh streets, on street car line and in central part of the city, March 8th and 9th, beginning at 1:00 p. m. the first day.

The members of the committee, general officers, vice-presidents, ex-officers and secretaries of the branches are hereby called to the mid-year Executive Committee meeting, and, no providence preventing, we expect every one in their place that all may share in its responsibility. **LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,**  
President W. C. T. U. Indiana.

**MARY E. BALCH,**  
Secretary.

## NORMAL INSTITUTES.

The plan of work adopted at our last State Convention provides that we shall arrange the institute work "so as to take in every county." That institutes shall be held on schedule time, place, etc.

In harmony with this action the State officers and superintendent have developed the plan by arranging a schedule of dates, which are published in this issue of the MESSAGE.

The program is given more explicitly than usual with the hope that our lines of work may be more definitely understood and carried out. The persons proposed to give instruction are mainly suggestive, and the program can be made sufficiently flexible to be adapted to the local conditions.

The conviction has deepened with many of our members that all classes of christian workers should be enlisted. To this end we have suggested the co-operation of ministers, educators and others, some of whom are outside our ranks, but if invited, will be willing and able helpers.

An enthusiastic campaign for the ballot for women should be vigorously pushed all along the line. If the provisions of the program be carried out in all counties, it will be a long stride toward the legislation we desire.

Our efficient and self-sacrificing superintendent of suffrage, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, should be called to as many institutes as she can attend. She has generously proposed to bear her own expenses and do what she can for the cause, and we bespeak for her the most agreeable entertainment and earnest co-operation.

Will county presidents or institute superintendents (where such have been appointed) be prompt in reporting to our corresponding secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, their prospects in regard to carrying out the plan adopted for institutes this year?

Much more will be realized if there be a careful study and preparation for the program, and it is due all workers that they have timely notice of the part they are expected to perform, whether it be a preparation for the music, the discussion of a subject or to serve on a committee for advertisement or entertainment.

Much depends on a good advertisement by the county and local press; especially should the announcement be such as to bring the members out in full force to serve the cause to which we have pledged our faith and loyalty.

Yours, for our best year in the work,  
**MARY HADLEY,**  
Superintendent.

P. S.—Our corresponding secretary will go for expenses for day work of the institutes conducting the contests.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE, 1898.  
"Solus populi Suprema eet. lex."

## PROGRAM.

- 10:00. Devotional, by president of local Union.  
10:15. Organization of institute.  
10:30. Bible reading, "Christian Citizenship," conducted by leader of institute.  
11:15. Our literature department—books, leaflets, periodicals, etc. Instruction by State, county or local superintendent of literature. Discussion and subscription to periodicals.  
11:50. Announcements and miscellaneous business.  
12:00. Music. Noontide hour.
- AFTERNOON.
- 2:00. Devotion. Prayer and praise service, conducted by county or local superintendent of evangelistic department.  
2:20. Indiana's plan of work considered in talks or papers of four minutes each.  
1. Organization, by.....  
2. L. T. L. and Y. Work, by .....

3. Department Plan, Life Membership, Finance, etc., by.....  
4. Stirring Campaign, by.....  
5. Normal Institute, by.....  
6. Red Letter Days, by.....  
Discussion by the leader and others.  
3:00. Legislative Work—Shall Indiana have Equal Suffrage in this Century?  
To answer—State Superintendent of Suffrage or institute leader.  
Discussion by Rev....., Prof....., A. H. .... and others.  
Music. Prayer.  
4:00. Ten minutes' parliamentary drill by the leader.  
4:10. Sabbath Observance—What do we understand it to mean specifically?  
Ten minutes' instruction by State, local or county superintendent of the department.  
Discussion.  
4:25. Announcements.  
Music.  
Benediction.  
4:30. Adjournment.

## EVENING.

- 7:30. Devotion, conducted by county president.  
7:45. Address or symposium, by National or State worker.

## SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotion, conducted by.....  
9:15. Organizations of Women—Their relation to one another and to the needs of our day; literary and social clubs, church, aid societies, relief corps, branch organizations of secret societies, foreign mission societies, W. C. T. Unions, women's councils, etc.  
Symposium by three members, each treating the subject, as a whole, in eight minutes.  
Discussion by the county W. C. T. U. executive, led by the president.  
10:00. A few things accomplished. What next?  
A short talk by the leader.  
10:15. Preventive and educational measures more humane and economical than reform.  
The following divisions of the subject each to be given in ten minutes:  
1. The Curfew vs. Police Court, Jail, etc., by....  
2. An Industrial Training vs. Rescue Work, by.....  
3. No License Ballot vs. Gold Cure, License Laws, Regulation and Rum, by .....  
General Discussion led by Rev.....  
11:15. Narcotic Poisons—Indiana's legislation against them and its enforcement.  
Presented by State superintendent of the department or her substitute. Discussion by .....  
11:40. Stray Leaves of Current Events, Questions, Points of Practice, Praise.  
12:00. Music.  
Noontide prayer.  
Adjournment.

## SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Semi-annual County Convention as arranged by County W. C. T. U. Executive.

## EVENING—SUFFRAGE CONTEST.

Subjects for evening meetings:

1. The Legal Status of Woman  
2. A Greater Benefactor than the Good Samaritan.  
3. "If ye Know \* \* \* \* to Do."  
4. The Emergency and Its Answer.

**MARY HADLEY,**

Superintendent.  
Bloomington, Ind.

## A STATE INSTITUTE.

The second day at Anderson, March 9, beginning 10 A. M., will be given to a review and study of this institute program as published above, and everyone interested is invited to attend. Mrs. Rounds will address the meeting the evening of March 8, and the evening of March 9 will be occupied by a suffrage contest, in charge of State Superintendent of Medal Work.

Something new. Why not, if it is for the wise advance of our cause? We shall drill the members of the executive committee and all who will come (and everyone is hereby invited) on the program for county institutes. The teacher taught will be the thought; better preparation a second thought, and if we all get to thinking, you see, there will be wonders wrought, and the dullest one among us will be taught.

The second day, from 10 A. M., will be given to the

institute. To do this, the executive committee will need to have a very early morning session to finish the work not completed the first day—and our first day sitting may be a long one, for it is not our purpose to slight the work of the one for the other, but rather to make the best use of our money and time and strength expended. Anderson is planning a royal welcome and we feel all winds blow balmy from our skies. Will every member of the committee and every State worker, and all who intend to go, send me their name and the route they will take, and I will see if I can get any favors for them on our railroads? Don't say, "well, I am only a local worker and they don't mean me; and I do not work as much as I should and could if I would make a little more personal effort or sacrifice, and of course they don't want me." We do. We want all, just as we say, if you come to take part in the work and the fray, but not to sight-see or visit or play.

## A PLAN FOR INSTITUTES AND COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

The spring convention is a necessity. The constitution calls for it and it should follow the institute, that intelligent action concerning our legislative work in prospect may be reached and we may all work together for general advancement. Length of institute, one and one-half days; convention, one-half day, or longer if necessary. Two evening meetings. The second evening a suffrage contest by young or old of either sex, as can be best arranged, for ten cents admittance. Organized counties to make their arrangements in harmony with the plan and the program and schedule dates published in the February MESSAGE.

The State to arrange in all unorganized counties where she can get a friend to secure a place for the meeting, assist in advertising it and secure entertainment for those who attend.

The State Officers, Branch Secretaries, State Organizers, Evangelists and Superintendents are to be called as counties think best, and can arrange to meet the expense. The net proceeds of the contest will, in most cases, if well advertised, reimburse the treasury for its necessary outlay for expenses.

The State to be divided into four sections. One, two and three begin work March 14th. Section four April 20th, to avoid bad roads.

Section Two—Counties on and south of the P. W. & P. R. R. to Logansport, and east from there over the Fort Wayne branch of the Wabash Road. Organized counties, 22; unorganized, 4.

Cass, March 14 and 15; Carroll, 16 and 17; White, 18 and 19; Jasper, 21 and 22; Newton, 23 and 24; Benton, 25 and 26; Tippecanoe, 28 and 29; Warren, 30 and 31; Fountain, April 1 and 2; Montgomery, 4 and 5; Boone, 6 and 7; Clinton, 8 and 9; Howard, 11 and 12; Tipton, 13 and 14; Hamilton, 15 and 16; Madison, 18 and 19; Delaware, 20 and 21; Jay, 22 and 23; Adams, 25 and 26; Allen, 27 and 28; Wells, 29 and 30; Blackford, May 2 and 3; Grant, 4 and 5; Wabash, 6 and 7; Huntington, 9 and 10; Miami, 11 and 12.

Counties north of section two constitutes section one. Thirteen organized counties and two unorganized. Schedule dates: Elkhart, March 14 and 15; St. Joseph, 16 and 17; LaPorte, 18 and 19; Porter, 21 and 22; Lake, 23 and 24; Starke, 25 and 26; Pulaski, 28 and 29; Fulton, 30 and 31; Marshall, April 1 and 2; Kosciusko, 4 and 5; Whitley, 6 and 7; DeKalb, 8 and 9; Steuben, 11 and 12; Noble, 13 and 14; LaGrange, 15 and 16.

Section Three—Counties on and south of the I. D. & W. R. R. to Indianapolis, and the C. C. & St. L. R. R. from Indianapolis east. Eighteen organized counties; seven unorganized. Schedule dates: Marion, March 14 and 15; Hendricks, 16 and 17; Putnam, 18 and 19; Parke 21 and 22; Vermillion, 23 and 24; Vigo, 25 and 26; Sullivan, 28 and 29; Greene, 30 and 31; Clay, April 1 and 2; Owen, 4 and 5; Monroe, 6 and 7; Morgan, 8 and 9; Hancock, 11 and 12; Henry, 13 and 14; Randolph, 15 and 16; Wayne, 18 and 19; Fayette, 20 and 21; Union, 22 and 23; Franklin, 25 and 26; Rush, 27 and 28; Shelby, 29 and 30; Decatur, May 2 and 3; Bartholomew, 4 and 5; Brown, 6 and 7; Johnson, 9 and 10.

Section Four—Counties on and south of the B. & O. and Southeastern R. R. 14 organized counties; 12 unorganized. Schedule dates: Lawrence, April 20 and 21; Martin, 22 and 23; Daviess, 25 and 26; Pike, 27 and 28; Knox, 29 and 30; Gibson, May 2 and 3; Posey, 4 and 5; Vanderburg, 6 and 7; Warrick, 9 and 10; Dubois, 11 and 12; Spencer, 13 and 14; Perry, 16 and 17; Crawford, 18 and 19; Harrison, 20 and 21; Floyd, 23 and 24; Clark, 25 and 26; Jefferson, 27 and



28; Switzerland, 30 and 31; Owen, June 1 and 2; Dearborn, 3 and 4; Ripley, 6 and 7; Jennings, 8 and 9; Jackson, 10 and 11; Scott, 13 and 14; Orange, 15 and 16; Washington, 17 and 18.

Any organized county failing to prepare for its institute and convention will be considered as an unorganized county, and the State is duty bound to look after it. It is for the best good of the work that we have concert of action, and that can be secured only by using a uniform plan, program and schedule dates. An extra edition of the February and March MESSAGE will be provided to supply all demands of the institute and convention work. Persons interested in their county should begin correspondence at once, and arrange program and write the secretary at 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.

MARY E. BALCH.

#### THE MESSAGE.

If you receive this number of the MESSAGE with a blue mark upon it, please renew at once, that you may not lose a single copy. During the past month renewal clubs, with long lists of new names added, have been coming in thick and fast. It is also encouraging to note in many cases where, last year, only the MESSAGE was taken, that now the *Union Signal* is also ordered. But one woman in the State writes asking us to discontinue her paper, and we believe she will reconsider the matter. Some send in single thirty-five cent subscriptions. Why not start out and secure twelve names and thus save ten cents per copy for your Union? If you have no Union in your place you can find a dozen persons who have enough interest in our cause to pay twenty-five cents for our State paper. This will be your best preparation for the organization of a Union. If a woman tells you she did not read the paper last year, it is only because her interest has not been fully aroused. Many of our best workers had State and national papers sent them before they had interest enough to pay for them themselves. A vigorous canvass over the entire State will easily double our subscription list. This would give us a larger paper and make room for many bright, newsy articles crowded out each month.

Repeatedly we read in the daily press that the liquor league is becoming more thoroughly organized and is planning for greater activity this year than ever before. Our only hope for our country and our homes is in every white ribboner putting on the whole armor and going out to battle in the name of Him who leads our hosts. Let new, timid women begin, knowing that they do not go forth in their own strength. No State in the Union has more heroic, self-sacrificing, competent leaders than have we. They are giving their lives for our State work and our paper. Nothing so cheers them and lightens their burdens as to know of new and increasing interest out in the field. Shall we not, every one of us, rally to their support?

Very few, if any, write to say anything unfavorable about the MESSAGE. Now, the next step is renewals. A year soon passes by, and the MESSAGE year for many has gone. You mean to renew? Then do so at once. Look up the names in your club and be sure to give every one an opportunity to renew, and then add as many as you can. Remember, a name for the *Union Signal* and the MESSAGE at \$1.10. If they are for a minister, 75 cents—counts one in the club. Twelve names at 25 cents without the *Signal* make a club. We expect to have 2,500 names at the mid-year meeting on our list. You will want your county president to make as good a report as any other. This is a matter that needs prompt attention. We did well last year, but this year we must do better. If the blue mark is on your paper, act at once and renew.

MARY E. SIMS,  
Business Manager.

#### GREENSBURG CURFEW LAW.

By the kindness of Mrs Ella Wright, the form of petition used and a copy of the law secured by the Greensburg Union is given below:

To His Honor, the Mayor, and City Council of —: We, the representatives of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of —, believing as we do, that it is the duty of every one to protect the youth of our city from the snares and pitfalls that beset them on every hand, do most earnestly and prayerfully request you to grant us what is known as the "Curfew Law," requiring that all children under the age of fifteen (15) years shall be prohibited off the streets at a certain time by a certain signal, given by the ringing of the court-house bell, or any other signal which your honorable body may think best.

#### AN ORDINANCE

Prohibiting persons from being upon public streets, alleys, public grounds and thoroughfares of the city of Greensburg, between certain hours of the day and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the city of Greensburg, Indiana:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of fifteen years to be upon the public streets or alleys or public grounds or thoroughfares of the city of Greensburg, Indiana, during the hours from nine o'clock in the evening to four o'clock in the morning from the first day of April to the first day of November, and during the hours from eight o'clock in the evening to four o'clock in the morning from the first day of November to the first day of April of any year; provided, that this ordinance shall not apply to any person while accompanied by parent or guardian, or while engaged or employed in any business requiring them to be upon the street, alley, public grounds or thoroughfares of said city, or while going to or from such business, nor to persons having a written order from their parents or guardian of the date when they are found upon such street, alley, thoroughfare or public ground of said city.

SEC. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to write, print, or indict any order as provided in Section 1 of this ordinance, except those therein named.

SEC. 3. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction before the Mayor of the city of Greensburg, Indiana, be fined in any sum not more than five dollars for each offense.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the night-watchman of said city to give notice of this ordinance each evening by ringing the court-house bell at fifteen minutes before the time elected in this ordinance for such persons to be off the streets, etc.

SEC. 5. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and legal publication. Passed and approved this 5th day of February, A. D. 1897.

G. G. WELSH,  
Clerk.

C. F. NORTHERN,  
Mayor.

Miss Brehm had two months' work in Indiana. The M. E. Church at Broad Ripple was given to the Union for the first time in years, and Miss Brehm filled the pulpit so creditably as to win all hearts—the pastor and people. She spoke to a crowded house. She was at Mapleton Sunday morning and evening, at Valley Mills and the Rescue Mission. At every point, with one exception, and that was for local reasons, Miss Brehm did most excellent work, adding to the membership, winning the unfriendly and unbelieving and speaking the truth without offense. Her route was planned by our energetic and indefatigable Treasurer, and while she was sick some of the time, results have been most gratifying.

#### FULL LIST OF DONATIONS FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL SINCE STATE CONVENTION.

1897			
Oct.	Bloomington W. C. T. U .....	\$24 00	
"	Mary Hadley, collections on pledges...	58 30	
"	Mary T. Brush.....	10 00	
"	Helen Sherfey.....	5 00	
"	Mattie Chandler.....	3 60	
"	Cora Freys.....	3 05	
Nov.	Kate Mendenhall.....	3 00	
"	A. E. Palmateer.....	9 00	
"	Sale of Connersville property.....	450 00	
"	Delphi Union .....	2 00	
"	Mary Hadley, rebate Big Four.....	75	
"	Lawrence.....	5 00	
"	M. L. Hobbs, loan.....	50 60	
Dec.	Logansport.....	5 00	
"	Albion.....	2 00	
"	Emma Black.....	1 00	
"	M. A. Ridgeway, loan .....	294 00	
"	Sarah Childress.....	1 00	
"	N. Manchester.....	3 00	
"	Harriet Coughlin.....	5 00	
"	Wabash.....	5 00	
1898			
Jan.	Phlox.....	5 06	
"	Ida Weinmer.....	25	
"	C. F. Harter.....	1 50	
"	Meridian, Indianapolis.....	10 00	
"	Mrs. A. K. Stark .....	25 00	
"	Dillsboro Union.....	15 00	
"	Cook books sold by M. O. Cammack..	1 25	
"	Marion County, cash, which included a bill for merchandise of \$12, which the store had against the School.....	50 00	

Jan.	"An Absentee," Washington.....	\$10 00
"	" " " \$1 00 per membership plan.....	
"	Rebecca Hessing.....	1 00
"	Lucretia Hobart.....	1 00
"	Brazil, 33 members .....	33 00
	Total.....	\$1,081 87

ELLA B. WRIGHT,  
Treasurer.

[The sale of Connersville property, \$350, for the School; \$100 for the sale of the State W. C. T. U. property, making the \$450.—Ed.]

My Dear Comrade in W. C. T. U. Bonds—I have read with sorrow and alarm the accounts as published in the *Voice*, and verified by the local press of New Haven, of the drunken carousal among Yale students following the recent intercollegiate football game; also, of the startling facts that there are sixty-six saloons, some of them the lowest kind of brothels and gambling houses, near Yale University, all located within two blocks of the college campus and the green; that students are permitted to have intoxicating liquors in their rooms and at their class spreads.

We have all read with deepest regret the revelations regarding the signing of a petition to license the sale of liquors in the immediate neighborhood of Princeton University, that old and honored institution so closely identified with the great Presbyterian Church of the United States, and now we note with joy and thanksgiving that this University has listened to the appeals made by our Unions and Christian men and women throughout the country, and has forbidden students to enter any place where intoxicating liquors are sold as a beverage, or to bring such liquors into their rooms; and that the famous grille room in Princeton Inn has been ordered closed! We also have reason to be profoundly thankful that Harvard University has taken a decided stand in favor of no license in the city of Cambridge, where the University is located, and in forbidding liquors to be furnished at the class spreads—for eleven years now Cambridge, with the aid of the University, has carried no license; also that the University of Chicago has taken an equally uncompromising stand.

In view of the alarming facts concerning Yale University, I would earnestly urge you to use all your official and personal influence to secure the following early action:

1. That all local Unions, at the earliest convenient time, pass resolutions expressing deep regret that the Yale authorities permit students to enter saloons, and to have intoxicating liquors in their dormitories, and to have them served at their class spreads; also expressing horror and grief at exposing young men, the majority of them in their teens and away from the restraining influences of home, to the frightful dangers of the saloons and brothels that infest the neighborhood of this great and venerable institution. Let the resolutions forcibly declare that until these evils are remedied we will do all in our power to have our sons and brothers seek their education at institutions where the environments are less dangerous. The resolutions should also urge upon the authorities at Yale to help carry no license in New Haven, as has been done in the city of Cambridge by the help of Harvard professors and students for these eleven successive years; also to have, as far as possible, the intercollegiate sports held in places that are free from saloons.

A copy of the resolutions should be forwarded either to Rev. Timothy Dwight, D. D., LL. D., President Yale University, New Haven, Conn., or to Henry P. Wright, Ph. D., LL. D., Dean of the College Faculty, New Haven, Conn., and copies should also be sent to the *Union Signal*, Chicago, and to the *Voice*, New York.

As this desired reform at Yale is of such grave and far-reaching importance (for if Yale will take its stand on this question by the side of Harvard, Princeton, and the University of Chicago, all of our leading colleges in America must follow or greatly lose patronage), I urge,

2. That each Union secures the signatures of a number of parents to the following petition, and send the same to one of the Yale addresses given above, also a copy each to the *Union Signal* and to the *Voice*. Written copies of this petition can be used:

#### PETITION.

To Timothy Dwight, D. D., LL. D., President, Henry P. Wright, D. D., LL. D., Dean, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.:

As the students in our universities and colleges are, in a large majority, only lads in their teens and away (Continued on page 6.)



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### WORK AGAINST IMPURITY.

In a recent article the Rev. W. B. Crafts tells us: "Fifty American periodicals excluded from Canada by its government as indecent, are circulated by millions in the United States. Seventeen of these are published in New York, thirteen in Maine, some in almost every State." He suggests that the "W. C. T. U. president in every State write to Lady Aberdeen for a copy of the list (of these papers) and second the Reform Bureau's appeal, already sent to governors of States, for the suppression of these 'cancer plants.'" Shall we not write, every woman of us, and urge our president, Mrs. McWhirter, to take these steps advised by Mr. Crafts? You will be the more ready and earnest in writing if you, as I, have been shocked and distressed by frequent receipt through the postoffice of these very papers under discussion; their evil purposes evidenced by the advertisements and alluring offers to boys and girls and any one who will send on a list of names of persons they know. Let us arise and do what we can in every way to cut off a swift and sure manner of breeding vice. **ELLA WILLIAMS NASH.**  
Washington, D. C., January 20, 1898.

### TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

DEAR SISTER SUPERINTENDENTS—I have received many letters from county and local superintendents of literature during the past few months, and I feel very much encouraged to know so much work is being done. As time passes, the superintendents are awakening to the importance of this department.

I have ready for distribution a leaflet which is an explanation of the duties of a superintendent. I have not half the names of the superintendents, but those who would like this leaflet will please send me their name and address and I will be glad to send it to them.

I have been unable to secure enough subscriptions for the *Young Crusader* to get the 12-cent rates, so I cannot take the subscriptions for it. The *Temperance Banner* is only 12 cents a year. It is published by the Temperance Publishing Association, West 18th St., N. Y., and is a fine paper for children, and those who cannot take the *Crusader* at the regular price will do well to send for sample copies of the *Banner*, and if possible secure subscribers.

The time for the spring institutes and conventions is coming. Try to distribute literature and secure subscribers for *THE MESSAGE* and *Union Signal*. Make a good report of your work at these conventions, and make your department the most important of all. Give of yourself, as Jesus did in John 17:9: "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth." **GEORGINA MOSER,**  
State Superintendent.

Loogootee, Ind.

Dear State President—Our gospel temperance meetings began in this way: We prepared for temperance Sunday by engaging the Baptist Church for an afternoon service; arranged for good music; engaged the City Mayor to give us a fifteen minutes' talk on "Christian Citizenship," handing him a leaflet to help him in his preparation; engaged a minister to give a gospel temperance talk of fifteen minutes, and a white ribbon woman to open the exercises by explaining the reason why we held the meeting and the need of the people being aroused and stirred up to the dangers confronting the family and home.

The second meeting we engaged an editor, a preacher and a white ribbon woman, giving each leaflets to prepare from.

Both meetings were splendid, had fair audiences and so enthused the ministers of Elkhart that in their meeting on the next Monday morning they appointed a committee to arrange for a union gospel temperance meeting once a month, to be held on a Sunday evening, and that a white ribbon woman should have a place on the program each time. **M. A. TOMPKINS.**  
309 Main street, Elkhart, Ind.

P. S.—I have called a county executive meeting for next week. Then we expect to perfect our plans to the different departments the State W. C. T. U. has outlined for us to accomplish during the year.

EDITOR THE MESSAGE—Long previous to my membership in W. C. T. Unions I was a worker in the line of suppressing pernicious advertisements and impure literature, and became so impressed with the extent of the polluting work thus propagated that I shall never be able to divest myself of personal interest in the subject. I have sample copies of nearly forty household papers that were established merely as a medium for conveying corrupting advertisements into the homes of the nation. There was an endless chain of them reaching from ocean to ocean, as I found out for myself—a collusion between publishers and advertisers.

Fifty pages would not contain what I learned of their methods, and my strange experiences in combating them—or trying to—by sending proofs of their work to Anthony Comstock and to his western agent, Mr. McAfee, also to the postmaster general. Certain prosecutions for violation of the postal laws resulted in the condemned literature being sent in bulk by express to certain localities where agents receive it and distribute copies free in school grounds and door yards.

Now, however, I'm beginning to see some of the same old advertisements in certain papers that mysteriously appear in boarding houses and elsewhere, such as—"All About how a Young Lady Retires," "Peeps Through a Key Hole," and others too suggestive to be written here. But the chief motive just now for this writing is to call attention to a certain advertisement headed "Pennyroyal Pills" which confronts me still, from the pages of many newspapers. No one advertisement of that class has had such a continuous run. It is simply a screen for prostitution. Men buy it regularly to further their nefarious habits with safety. But enough. I cannot multiply words. (Married women, too, buy it with unholy motive.)

In Ohio, where I prosecuted this line of work, the W. C. T. U. women labored until they secured a law forbidding such advertisements. At the outset three classes of men clamored privately at the legislators, and intimidated them by threats of non-support. They were the proprietors of the drugs, the druggists who sold them, and the publishers who advertised them, all making big profits. The result was that the legislators forbade the advertising and sale of any secret drug \* \* for the exclusive use of females \* \* etc. The word secret was purposely used and made the law ineffective.

All at once that class of advertisements were flaring with the words tansy pills, cotton-root, pennyroyal, etc. But a pressure was brought to bear until our home papers had to eliminate all such advertisements from their columns. A word to the wise is sufficient.

M. B. B.

Richmond, Ind.

Dear County and Local Superintendents—We send our second quarterly letter through *THE MESSAGE*, thus early, as now is the best season for prize essay contests. Holidays are over and the long stretch of work until May, gives excellent opportunities for working up prize essay contests. The usual plan is to offer cash prizes, perhaps a first and second, for the best essay from school children, having them read in public or submitted to private judges. Where it is possible to get the class together for a public reading of the essays, more than the expenses can usually be made by charging a small fee for admission.

The following is offered as a suggestive outline for a subject, which together with the rules can be changed to suit the superintendent having the work in charge:

Subject: The Evil Effects of Alcohol and Narcotics.

- (a) Nature of alcohol.
- (b) Nature of narcotics.
- (c) Their manufacture and sale.

(d) Their effects on the human body.

(e) Effects on the home.

(f) Effects on society.

Rules governing the contest.

(1) Writers must not be over 17 or under 12 years of age. (Contests could also be arranged from 9 to 12.)

(2) Essays should not contain over 500 words.

(3) Enclose certificate from your teacher stating your age and that the work is your own.

(4) Pay your own postage.

(5) Contest closes.....

Prizes will be awarded .....

We also send questions for the annual report of county superintendents. Will each county superintendent please note this list, and have it known to her locals early in the year, so that all may work in harmony and know fully what is aimed to be accomplished?

### ANNUAL REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENTS IN SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Fill out and return by.....

1. Name of county superintendent.....
2. No. local supt's or assistants.....
3. No. teachers in county.....
4. No. who use Indiana Series of Physiologies revised by Prof. Jenkins.....
5. No. subscriptions to School Physiology Journal.....
6. No. teachers who use other reference books. State what series.....
7. No. schools supplied with Temperance Educational Wall Rolls.....
8. No. visits to schools in the interest of the work by superintendents.....
9. No. visits to institutes by superintendents.....
10. No. visits to school or institute in interest of the work by patrons.....
11. What efforts have been made socially to gain the interest and sympathy of teachers.....
12. County prizes offered.....
13. Local prizes offered.....
14. No. lectures on scientific temperance.....
15. No. entertainments.....
16. No. pages literature distributed.....
17. No. temperance declamations furnished for schools.....
18. No. temperance songs furnished for schools.....
19. No. items furnished the press.....
20. Work in public institute.....

ADAH W. WHITE,

Oxford, Ind.

State Superintendent.

### A PLAN FOR MAKING MONEY FOR LOCAL UNIONS.

First. Have your Union appoint a committee to secure a grocer who will give you best cash per cent on all goods sold to customers secured by Union.

Second. A committee to canvass for customers, being careful to get full name and address.

Third. Turn the names as fast as secured in to the groceryman, who will keep a record of said names, the chairman of the committee doing the same.

Fourth. Customers always to be careful to see that a correct bill accompanies each order when delivered. Have a nail over the cook table on which you will put these bills as fast as received.

Fifth. Have the chairman of your committee collect these bills once a month and go to the groceryman and help him count up the amount of money he has received from customers; get your per cent in cash and turn it into your treasury.

Sixth. Be very careful to see that your grocer does not sell beer or intoxicants of any kind.

Dear sisters, while thinking of our own dear Union, wondering how we could raise some money and praying the good Lord to open the way, for without money we can do very little practical work, the above plan came to my mind as being a good one, and, if good for us, why not good for others? I believe, if carefully worked, it will be a financial success. We can have a yearly income for our treasury with half the work of giving entertainments, socials, etc.

I hope I have made my plan clear; if not, write me and I will gladly answer any questions.

Trusting this may be the key to unlock the long-closed money vault, I am, yours lovingly,

LIZZIE C. HANN,

1229 College Avenue, Indianapolis.



## DEPARTMENT OF MERCY.

*Dear Sisters of the White Ribbon Army*—I want to appeal to you all once more to begin the new year by taking up the work of the Mercy Department. How great the need of it, and what a blessed work for women! One earnest worker says: "It is the easiest and most promising of all our branches of work, as appeals can be made to the children through their pets, and to their older brothers and sisters through deeds of heroism, and a presentation of the truth that kindness is a principle that must be rooted in a complete freedom from any cruel practice. If we expect character to be built on such a foundation, we must go to the rock bottom and be kind clear down." She says further: "I see this so clearly that I believe a boy or any child might be trained to appear kind to all people, and yet be allowed to indulge in cruelty to animals, and from that practice to develop a habit of life so tigerish as to become a murderer on some occasion when tempted, and in anger. Such surprises will soon be no longer a wonder; thinking people will see that it is the result of the lack of the good seed we are trying to sow."

I quote at some length, for she is a woman of experience in training and teaching children, and it is a truth that I wish to impress upon the minds of my White Ribbon sisters. And this sowing of good seed is our work. Let us do it at once. Humanity is growing more callous to the suffering of our dumb fellow-creatures. The past week I read an account of two foxes having been caught near Hagerstown, Ind., and set at liberty, one at a time, in a large field surrounded by men, women and children, and a pack of hounds let loose on them. After an hour's chasing, yelping and snarling the poor creatures were caught and killed. And this was done for sport (?). Shall we allow such things to go on without comment, even in our own State, where we have a department of mercy in our W. C. T. U? God forbid! Let us each do a little and at once. Appoint your superintendent and send me her name.

Huntington, Ind.

LOU E. RALL.

1. How many efforts have been made by warnings and remonstrances in cases of ill-treatment of children or animals, to secure the enforcement of existing laws against cruelty?
2. Have your State laws against cruelty been published in newspapers, and have copies in leaflet form been distributed, and (printed in large type) been posted up in convenient places?
3. State as nearly as you can the kind and amount of literature pertaining to this department which has been used, and what results have come to your knowledge.
4. How many arrests for cruelty have been made through the efforts of the superintendent of the department or other members of the W. C. T. U?
5. Have any children of offenders against the law been gathered into Bands of Mercy?
6. Have Bands of Mercy been formed in Loyal Temperance Legions, Sunday Schools, public or other day schools? How many in each?
7. Please state how many Bands of Mercy exist altogether in your through the work of the W. C. T. U., giving the entire number of pledged members and stating how many of these are adults. Answers to these questions are especially desired.
8. What efforts have been made to secure the co-operation of teachers and superintendents of Sunday and day schools?
9. What efforts have been made to create sentiment against vivisection?
10. How many physicians have had literature exposing the true character of vivisection handed them with requests to read? What results have been noted?
11. To how many ministers of the gospel and editors of newspapers has such literature been given, and with what results?
12. How many articles against vivisection have been written for the press? How many against other forms of cruelty?
13. How many ministers have been requested to preach against scientific and other forms of cruelty? How many have done so, and of which denomination?
14. How many public addresses have been made on the subject of Mercy to all God's creatures? Were any resolutions condemning vivisection, or any other form of cruelty, passed at the close of such addresses?
15. What has been reported to you of experiments on live animals in connection with physiology lessons in schools or of demonstrations before classes in colleges and universities?
16. Are you working toward legislation against vivisection, and for compulsory humane education in the public schools?
17. Are you making any effort against the wearing of birds' wings or plumes? With what success?

18. Have you gained any information concerning cruelties in food supply, such as cattle slaughter, etc?

19. Have you urged at conventions personally or by letter the adoption of this department by all local Unions?

20. What efforts have been made to provide humane literature for prisoners, or to give them addresses inculcating the idea of kindness?

## DEPARTMENT OF UNFERMENTED WINE.

Dear Sisters, W. C. T. U. workers of Indiana, I come to you again asking that you appoint a superintendent of this department in every Union in the State that this work may not be neglected. It is our Lord's work and should be of the greatest interest to us, for through the local Union, in a great measure, is the influence to come that shall put away from our Lord's table, alcoholic wine. May the time soon come when our dear Lord shall not be wounded in the house of his friends. If we love the Master we will cheerfully do this for humanity. Let me hear from all who will do this work and I will try to send helps in literature to be given pastors and people.

JULIET R. WOOD.

7. Has effort been made to influence churches in unorganized localities in the use of non-alcoholic wine at Communion? With what results?

8. How many pages of department literature have been distributed during the year by State Superintendent? By District? By County? By Local?

9. How many sermons or lectures on the subject of this department have been secured? How many letters have you written?

10. At how many meetings, regular or public of the W. C. T. U., has the literature of this department been used in the program?

At how many parlor meetings?

11. Has special effort been made to influence the the Episcopal, the Lutheran, the Roman Catholic or the foreign speaking churches this year? With what result?

12. Are the Y's interested in this department?

13. What denominations have passed resolutions in their religious assemblies in favor of unfermented wine at Communion?

What Conventions?

14. Have you secured an associate in your work, or lecturer on the subject of this department?

15. Have you used the columns of your local, county or state paper in the interest of your department?

16. State hindrances, encouragements, outlook of the work, etc.

17. Give instances of the evil effects of the use of alcoholic wine at our Lord's table.

18. Report any work done in this department not mentioned in above questions.

Give full definite answers to as many of the foregoing questions as possible. If more space is required than is given, place the number of the question with your answer on an extra sheet.

Return your report not later than..... to your..... Superintendent.

Name.....

## DEPARTMENT OF UNFERMENTED WINE AT SACRAMENT.

Annual Report Blank for the use of State, District, County and Local Superintendents.

1. Give the number of churches of each denomination in your.....

2. Also the number in each denomination using unfermented wine at Communion;

3. The number of each denomination using fermented wine;

4. And the number of each denomination abandoning the use of fermented wine this year, by filling out the following table:

	No. of each denomination.	Using un-fermented wine.	Using fermented wine.	Aban. this year.
Baptist.....				
Christian.....				
Congregationalist..				
Episcopalian.....				
German.....				
Lutheran.....				
Methodist.....				
United Brethren...				
Moravian.....				
Presbyterian.....				
Reformed Dutch...				
Roman Catholic...				
Unitarian.....				
Universalist.....				
And others.....				

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

A recent letter from the superintendent of the Home gives a pleasant account of affairs there. Christmas day dawned under auspicious circumstances. A turkey dinner, supplemented by an abundance of delicious viands, produced on the farm, was partaken of by all the family; and it was made more enjoyable by having the presence of Uncle Addison Hadley at the table. The girls gave appropriate recitations and sang Christmas songs with much zeal and sweetness, which added much pleasure to the occasion. The immediate friends of the girls, and the Unions under whose indorsements they were admitted, remembered their wards royally in matters of clothing. And a father of two of the girls came laden with gifts of candy, oranges etc., for all the girls. The day-school and Sunday-school of which they are members gave Christmas offerings to all, making a glad happy time for these dear girls gathered from different parts of the state into a higher, brighter life, for having a Christian home.

There is much to encourage the friends of the School in the thought that the value and influence of one soul that is brought into the light of the gospel of love cannot be estimated in all time. LUCRETIA HOBART. Danville, Ill.

The work of Marion county has been taken up this year with prayerful thought and determination, the result being our work is full of interest and promise. We have had Mrs. Cranmer and Miss Brehm, both of whom we greatly appreciate. They added much enthusiasm to our work.

More gospel temperance meetings are being held than ever before. Unions that have no L. T. L. are planning for one.

Almost all the Unions are interested in trying to do something to aid Hadley Industrial School. Meridian Union has sent \$10 and will give an entertainment next Friday night for the benefit of the school. Lawrence Union sent \$5, and Marion county sent \$50.

Central Union has a Y branch, and has a class ready to hold a contest.

Dissette Colored Union has held two gospel temperance meetings, one on universal temperance, Sunday, and one two weeks ago, led by Rev. Rhoda Smith. At this meeting I secured seven signers to our pledge and one new member. Good audience and good collection (which was for Mrs. Smith), and they forced me to accept my street car fare. Rev. Mr. Brock, pastor of the church, told us the doors of his church were open to us at any time. One of the last things he said to me was, "Tell Mrs. Balch we have not forgotten her, and would love to see her again."

Lucy Thurman Union has planned to hold a series of gospel temperance meetings, beginning this week.

Valley Mills and Center Unions will unite next Thursday, and we will hold an all-day meeting and have a picnic dinner (wish you could all be with us.)

Wallace Union gave a fine report at their meeting three weeks ago of jail and prison work.

Tarleton Union observed its third anniversary, Wednesday, January 25, with a full house and an interesting program. A short address by Mrs. Balch and singing by Rev. Wheelock and wife, Miss Howard, and possibly others, with recitations by the children and a young lady whose name I failed to get. Refreshments served. A most enjoyable time.

I have sent a circular letter to each local president and to some superintendents. Have visited thirteen Unions and shall continue until all have been visited, and then begin and go over again. I shall never forget my visit to the North East Union the day before Christmas. My first thought of their holding a meeting on that day, amidst the whirl of Christmas festivity, meant a failure, but to my surprise and delight I found most of the members there, gathered together in His name, anxiously waiting to hear and plan our temperance work. We planned to organize an L. T. L., held a praise service, which resulted in one of the most spiritual meetings I ever attended, and it is a great pleasure for me to say that instead of this Union being one of the weaker ones, as I had previously thought, it is one of the strongest spiritual Unions Marion county has. But I must not take space to tell more, or I could interest you with some descriptions of the enthusiasm of our workers, and I might tell you of the royal hospitality shown me when visiting the Unions.

I should love to dwell longer on the work our Unions are doing and the deep interest in which it is being done, but the MESSAGE's space is precious. I write, therefore, briefly to say almost all our departments are having a steady and substantial growth. May God direct us all in the way that will be pleasing in his sight.

ADA B. LEEK.



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from the restraining influences of home, and in view of the fact that these students are the very flower of American youth and are to be the future leaders in literature, science, education and government, as well as in many of the industrial enterprises, and of the fact that the use of intoxicants is exceedingly detrimental to fixed habits of study, to mental clearness and to moral character, while the example of drinking habits among students is very widely corrupting among the young men outside of college, and who look upon college men as examples of cultured manliness;

Therefore, We, the undersigned parents, respectfully petition:

1. That you will forbid students under your charge to enter places where alcoholic liquors are sold for beverage use, to keep such liquors in their dormitories or rooms, or to have them furnished at their class or other spreads and banquets.

2. That you will use your great influence to secure prohibition of the sale of intoxicants within the city of New Haven, the same as has been secured at Cambridge.

Until such action is taken by your honored body, much as we honor Yale University, we feel compelled to send our sons and brothers to institutions where these provisions for safety against intoxicating drinks have been adopted.

NAMES. ADDRESSES.

In addition to the above suggestions, it would serve a good purpose if you and other friends in your neighborhood should write individual letters to the authorities at Yale, touching these same reforms that we so much desire.

It would also serve a good purpose if our sisters throughout the country would secure the adoption of protests, or similar resolutions to the above, by churches, clubs, young people's associations, etc., with which they may be connected, and have the same forwarded to the addresses as given above. It would also help to a successful result, if the action taken by a Union or other organization, should be published in the local press.

Yours, for conserving the powers of America's young manhood and protecting its homes,

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

#### FAREWELL TO MRS. BUCHANAN.

Indianapolis Meridian Union gave a reception on Jan. 22 in honor of Mrs. Anna Buchanan, out-going Police Matron of Indianapolis, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McWhirter. Prominent among the women present were Mrs. Buchanan's successor, Mrs. Gregory, her assistant Miss Reisner, the jail matron, Mrs. Shufelton. After the reception of the guests there was an informal program. Mrs. Mary E. Sims the president of the Union when the office of police matron was created, spoke on the history of Police Matron work by the Meridian W. C. T. U. Mrs. Sims said that in December, 1889, it was proposed that the City Council be asked to appoint a matron for the police station, to have charge of women and children brought there to wait trial. Agitation began on the question, a petition circulated was signed by leading men of the city, but failed to secure passage of an ordinance by the council. The Council claimed that the Board of Public Safety was the body to whom we should apply. We then saw the members of that Board. They in turn threw the responsibility upon the City Council. Each body though, said the State Legislature would have to give them the right before they could grant our request. The Police Superintendent was openly hostile. We determined that we would fight it out if it took all summer. It took until the next spring. One of the women often said, "W. C. T. U. women never know when they are whipped." Permission was finally gained to secure a matron on trial, we to pay her expenses and to provide a room for her near the Station House. But, while this privilege was granted, the right to the keys to the women's cells was entirely reserved to the man in charge, the janitor, a man notorious for his unfitness for such a position, having free access to these cells.

As soon as a sufficient sum was raised to warrant such action, we secured a matron, sent to us by the chief matron of Chicago. Miss Campbell came December, 1890, just one year from the time the Union first decided to undertake this work. Miss Campbell remained but for a while. The city charter was to be changed, so we decided that that would be a shorter and easier way of securing the permanency of the police matron work, so bent our energies to that end.

The Union collected and paid the matron's salary from December until April, the time of our victory, which could not have been achieved except for the support of the press and the Woman's Club. On April 6, 1891, I received the following:

Mrs. Mary E. Sims:

MADAM—The Board of Public Safety will confer with you on the subject of police matron, April 6, at 10 a. m. Yours, etc., JOHN L. STEEG,

Clerk of Board of Public Safety.

Mrs. Bond and myself hastened to accept the invitation. By unanimous vote the following resolution was passed:

"WHEREAS, The president and fourteen other officers of the Meridian Union of W. C. T. U., under date of March 10, petitioned this Board to create the office of police matron and arrange a room for her occupancy at the police station, to be a regular member of the police force, and,

WHEREAS, The officers of the Woman's Club of Indianapolis petitioned this Board that the prayer of Meridian Union be granted, therefore,

Resolved, That there shall be appointed by this Board a police matron, who shall be a regular member of the police force, and her name shall appear on the monthly pay-roll, at a salary to be fixed by the common council.

2. She shall have charge of the women and children who may be brought to the station-house and see to their comfort and safety, and no person shall have access to them after they have been put under her charge unless by order of the superintendent of police.

3. She shall accompany them to the police court and have charge until they are delivered to the proper officers after trial.

4. She shall be held responsible for their appearance for trial, unless proper bonds have been given, or released by order of superintendent of police.

5. She shall be ready at all times, day or night, to receive a prisoner and not be absent without permission of superintendent of police over thirty minutes between the hours of 8 a. m. and 6 p. m.

6. She shall wear a badge, when on duty, marked "Police Matron, Indianapolis Police Force."

7. She shall be responsible to this Board and subject to directions of the superintendent of police, and this Board reserves the right to remove any one appointed to this office at their pleasure.

The Board agreed, as above stated, to get ready a room in the station house for the matron adjoining the women's cells, but asked us to supply it with such furniture as would be needed, which we gladly did.

Mrs. Anna Buchanan was appointed police matron and served until the close of December, 1897, at which time she resigned. Mrs. Buchanan has had many hundreds of women and children under her care; ever vigilant, kind and tactful. She has honored Meridian Union, whose meetings she has attended regularly until we love her as a sister. She has served Indiana as State Superintendent of Police Matrons, and was instrumental in the enactment of a law granting police matron privileges to all cities of ten thousand.

While with sad hearts we say good-bye to Mrs. Buchanan, we gladly welcome, not only in behalf of the W. C. T. U., but of the city of Indianapolis, Mrs. Buchanan's successors—Mrs. Gregory and Miss Reisner.

Mrs. Buchanan followed with a few words, acknowledging her appreciation of the kindness of the Union. She believes that the matron should be allowed to accompany every woman when taken to the work house or other place of detention.

An original story, telling of the childhood romance of Mrs. Buchanan's life, which would soon result in her marrying the former boy playmate, was read by Mrs. Pleasant Bond.

A beautiful five-canded candelabre was presented to Mrs. Buchanan, from Meridian Union, by Mrs. McWhirter.

Mrs. Buchanan was married on January 27 to Mr. Alex. W. Logan, of Akron, O., and will make that her future home.

#### REPORT FROM SEDALIA UNION.

As Sedalia Union is now a year old, I will endeavor to give you a brief report of the work done for the first year. The Union was organized by Mrs. Allie Anderson, of Francesville, with nine members, but increased in number until we had seventeen, twelve active and five honoraries; then we lost two by removal and one by death. Our loss seems great to us.

We have eight departments: Evangelistic, Sunday School, Flower Mission, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Literature, Press, Medal, Mothers' meetings.

We have held over thirty regular meetings, two gospel temperance meetings and two parlor meetings. We have had two gospel addresses and three lectures by Miss Marie C. Brehm, national superintendent of franchise. She has been here three times. She gave us a franchise speech the last lecture. She gave a lecture at Geetingsville and parlor meetings under the auspices of Sedalia Union. We think her simply grand and feel highly favored in getting her.

We had three lectures by Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, and two scientific temperance chart talks in the public schools by her. We liked her ever so much. And one lecture by Mrs. Emma Cranmer, of South Dakota, a national worker, also a lecture by a Christian minister, Rev. L. E. Brown, of Frankfort. "Uncle Sam" was the title of his lecture, and it was grand, too.

We sent two delegates to Frankfort Institute last May and two to the State convention at South Bend, and they gave a written report in the church.

Ten copies of State Minutes were purchased. We have held three silver medal contests and four festivals. We have made over fifty-one dollars from the contests and festivals. We have a wall pocket in the depot and made a scrapbook for the county jail. We sent a box of fruit to the Fair Cottage and twenty-five cents in money, and it cost one dollar to send it, but we only wished we could send more. We have done quite a great deal of flower mission work. We haven't had any mothers' meetings yet, but intend to soon.

Our county president, Mrs. Frances Boyer, and her successor, Mrs. Emma Sayler, of Frankfort, visited us. We had a "recital" by a lady from Grand Rapids, Michigan.

We distributed over 22,829 pages of literature, have received six subscriptions to the *Union Signal* and four to *MESSAGE*.

We had out three remonstrances against the saloon last summer and hired a lawyer, paying him twelve dollars, but still we failed in getting rid of the saloon. We had the county convention here last fall. We have purchased one dozen White Ribbon Hymnals, a "Do Everything" book, and a great deal of other literature. We do not say we have done our best, but considering the community and population, which is barely 200, we feel encouraged to do more. Pray for us that we may do better. ELLA BOYD.

[We think this report will certainly provoke any discouraged Union to good works. If all have some more like it, let us hear from them.]-Ed.

#### IMPORTANT COMMUNICATION.

To White-Ribboners and all Temperance Workers:

DEAR COMRADES—Never has there been greater need of concerted, persistent petition work. The friends of the liquor traffic are insolent and aggressive, and determined to push the sale of liquors into every nook and corner of our land. Even the beautiful new marble palace dedicated to literature, and called the Congressional Library, is not to be exempt. The Capitol of this great Christian (?) nation is not exempt. No place is too sacred for the sale of wine and beer. Comrades, "get thee up!" Make your influence felt. Make your voice heard. Let legislators know by petition what is the wish of the Christian citizen. Let them know you are watching them and noting their votes on moral measures. Liquor men unhesitatingly tell legislators what they desire in legislation—go thou and do likewise. Now is the time. Petition for the passage of each of the bills mentioned.

Note especially Number 1, but petition for all. Secure the indorsement of churches, of the Y. M. C. A., C. E., E. L., B. Y. P. U. and all temperance societies and lodges. Petition! Petition! Overwhelm the national Senate and House of Representatives with petitions for these bills. It means much even to let them know that you know that these bills are up for consideration. The enemy is clamoring for concessions and crowding to the front with brazen effrontery. Comrades, in the name of God and His righteousness, "up and at 'em."

MARGARET B. PLATT,

President W. C. T. U., District of Columbia. Washington, D. C., Jan. 3, 1898.

[All W. C. T. U. State papers please copy and keep this standing.]

#### WHAT TO ASK OF CONGRESS, AND HOW.

Let every church and every other society devoted to social welfare adopt at an early day some or all of the following petitions, all of which call for bills pending in present Congress.

Resolved, That the pastor of this congregation (or the president and secretary of this society) is hereby



authorized in our behalf to sign and send petitions in duplicate to the two houses of Congress, through our Congressman and one of Senators, requesting the passage of bills:

1. To forbid the sale of liquors in the National Capitol and in all Government buildings.
2. To prohibit interstate gambling by telegraph or telephone.
3. To raise the age of protection for girls to eighteen years in the District of Columbia and the territories.
4. To protect the first day of the week as a day of rest in the same.
5. To prohibit, so far as the power of Congress extends, the reproduction of prize fights by the kinetoscope or kindred devices.
6. And also the interstate and mail circulation of extended newspaper descriptions of such fights.
7. To substitute voluntary arbitration for railway strikes.
8. To protect State anti-cigarette laws by providing that cigarettes imported in original packages on entering any State shall become subject to its laws.

Please write your Congressmen and Senators in behalf of the above.

#### PETITION PATTERN.

Having voted the petitions preceding, make a separate petition for each request on large square sheets, as follows: "To the United States Senate: The undersigned hereby petition your honorable body to— The above was approved by a vote of—persons at a meeting of—in—on—. Attest:—Presiding" Then make duplicate, addressed "To the United States House of Representatives." Fold petition once and back it, "Petition from— for—." Send the petitions for the House to your own Congressman; the one for the Senate to one of your Senators. Let us keep up a steady snow storm of petitions and letters for the whole two years of this Congress, beginning early and winning surely.

#### OUR STATE PLEDGES.

We have two. One that says, "I promise to abstain as a beverage," and this does not cover tobacco. Then we have a second pledge, spoken of as iron-clad—"and we promise to abstain from alcohol in any form as a medicine, at sacrament, and also from tobacco." In the Minutes of 1897, in the local constitution, these pledges are given correctly. Any one in doubt about this, by referring to the Minutes of several years back, will find when this matter of putting tobacco in the pledge came up and how it was settled.

Terre Haute West Side members write papers and discuss such subjects as these: "The effect of alcohol on the nervous system," "The effect of alcohol on the mind," "The effect of tobacco on health and morals," "Danger of heredity transmission of drink habit," "The relation of whiskey and tobacco to crime," in this Union. "Our W. C. T. U." a continued paper, has been started, two chapters of which are read at each Tea meeting, chapters 1 and 2, the National W. C. T. U. when and where organized etc. These chapters are very entertaining and instructive. The meetings are well attended.

Elkhart Union is arranging a married woman's contest, to be held March 16. The proceeds will be sent to the State W. C. T. U. for organization.

Mrs. Cammack has added two new Unions to the roll, January 3d, at Galveston; 32 members and 8 honoraries. Mrs. Lydia Green, president; Mrs. Melissa Ault, secretary; Miss Anna Lott, treasurer. Rome City, January 24th, 18 members. Mrs. Mary L. Osborne, president; Miss Mary Clark, secretary; Mrs. Maggie Goodwin, treasurer.

Miss Marie Brehm, of Illinois, held a parlor meeting at Frankfort in Dr. Gard's home, and from seventy-five to one hundred ladies were present to hear her. She spoke in the evening in the U. B. church to the delight of preacher and audience. The W. C. T. U. of Frankfort and Clinton county heartily recommend her work to other counties and Unions.

Dillsboro Union has donated to the Hadley Industrial School an average of \$1.25 per member, and intend to soon make it \$2.00 per member.

By request of South Whitley Union, one of the grocers of that place has ordered Wool Soap. This Union is arranging to hold a Matrons' Contest.

South Whitley has thirty-eight new members secured during the stay of Mrs. Trego, of Ohio.

#### To County Presidents and Superintendents of Peace and Arbitration:

DEAR SISTERS—It would cost more than the entire amount appropriated for this department to reach each one of you by circular letter. Will you not, therefore, take this as a personal appeal to you to get a public hearing on the subject of peace before the winter months are gone?

I give below a suggestive program, which can be used for a public meeting, with variations if any are thought desirable. Literature that would be helpful in preparing essays or addresses may be had of Daniel Hill, secretary Peace Association of Friends in America, 120 South Sixteenth street, Richmond, Ind. Under the auspices of said association, D. Hill has just started a little paper called the *Messenger*, which at 20 cent a year (ten copies for \$1.00) affords one of the least expensive ways of circulating peace literature. Subscribe for this and for our own paper and you will then have both *Messenger* and *MESSAGE*.

Alice May Douglass is now editor of the *Acorn*, a peace paper for children, and sends it out from Bath, Maine.

In many cases it would engage the public interest if the exercises on program, marked 1, 2, 3, 4, were made contest, a prize being offered for the best. Let both young and old participate in the meeting.

Good literature may also be had of our National Superintendent, Mrs. H. J. Baily, Winthrop Centre, Maine, and the W. T. P. A., The Temple, Chicago.

Keep record of work done, literature distributed, etc., and let us hear of it now and then through brief report to the *MESSAGE*.

#### PROGRAM FOR PEACE MEETING.

- Hymn. Bible lesson. Prayer. Hymn. Piano solo or other interesting exercise.
1. Address, or essay—"The Cost of War." Ten minutes.  
Recitation—"True Freedom." Chas. Mackay.  
Song, or concert exercise.
  2. Address, or essay—"The Church Responsible for War." Ten minutes.  
Song.
  3. Address or essay—"Moral Effects of War." Ten minutes.  
Music.
  4. Address—"Arbitration." Ten minutes.  
Recitation—"The Arsenal." Longfellow.  
Song, while the collection is taken.  
Closing hymn.

Yours for a peaceful war,  
H. LAVINIA BAILEY.

#### OBITUARY.

A loyal white ribboner has just left us for the glory land—Miss Hannah Fox died January 12, 1898. The members of our Union attended the funeral in a body. She loved the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.  
MRS. L. H. SHAW.  
Worthington.

Greencastle Union observed Temperance Sunday in Locust street M. E. Church, Rev. M. A. Farr, pastor and honorary member. Large attendance and 176 signers to the pledge. Temperance recitations and a short address by Miss Evelyn Riley, who, in a convincing manner, succeeded in getting startling facts in regard to the liquor traffic before the people. This Union is increasing in members and enthusiasm under the earnest leadership of Mrs. Florence Martin.

Recently Mrs. Dicks, president of Shelby county, accepted an invitation to hold a meeting at Morristown. To a large and interested audience she reported the State and National Conventions.

Mrs. Anna Reese, County Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, spoke on her department for the same Union, at a meeting to which one hundred men were invited. Great good will no doubt result from these meetings. A club for the *MESSAGE* will be sent in. A Shelbyville minister will preach on "The Duty of Attending Primaries."

Be sure and read the explanation of the pledges in this issue.

Mrs. R. C. Travis, of Elkhart, sends in a club of twenty-six for the *MESSAGE*. Last year it was thirteen.

#### SOAP BUBBLE SOCIAL.

A suggestion in the Kansas State paper (*Our Messenger*) is so good we pass it on to other States, that the local Unions may avail themselves of this pleasant way of helping the State and National by putting

money into both treasuries. The suggestion is, that the Unions revive the "soap bubble social," which was always an interesting entertainment.

This would be our own idea of the *modus operandi*: Advertise well a month ahead, making the announcement that a wool soap wrapper would be the ticket of admission. Have a soap bubble blowing contest to see who could blow the largest bubble; give one or more cakes of soap to the successful contestant and a beet done up nicely in tissue paper to the one making the biggest failure, showing that he or she was "beat-en." Give a prize to the boy or girl bringing in the largest number of soap wrappers. A small fee for refreshments could go into the local treasury.

To blow satisfactory bubbles, make a strong suds of wool soap and soft or distilled water, add one tablespoon of glycerine to each bowl of suds. Use the patent bubble-blower or the common clay pipe.

When you send the wrappers, tell us how you secured them and how you made your social a success. What Union will be the first to have a soap wrapper bubble contest?

Yours for soap to make the wheels run easy,

HELEN M. BARKER,

Treasurer National W. C. T. U.

#### GOVERNMENT LIQUOR SELLING INCREASED.

In December, 1897, committees of both houses of Congress authorized the sale of wine and beer in the Capitol restaurants. The superintendent of the new National Library has now permitted the same in its restaurants. The remedy is a great uprising for a bill "To forbid the sale of intoxicating beverages in all government buildings." Petition forms given in this issue. Let every person who reads these lines consider that she can copy said petition plainly on legal cap paper and secure voters' names to it and forward the petition.

Mrs. Ella Nash, of Lima, this State, who is now in Washington, D. C., sends \$10.00 for the temperance hospital. There being no Union in Lima, and not wanting her membership to lapse, she sends \$1.00 dues and 70 cents for two copies of the *MESSAGE*—one for missionary purposes.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack is meeting with marked success in Benton county. She reports a Union at Ambia of thirty-two members. She finds opportunity to assist in revivals, and it is beginning to be understood that a gospel W. C. T. U. woman is a power in a revival and no hindrance.

Anderson will welcome and entertain all who may come. They are planning with the hope of a large meeting.

Dear Sisters—You will wonder why the treasurer's report does not appear in this issue. We are sorry to tell you she has been very ill for many days, but is now convalescing and will soon, we hope, be in her usual health and cheery spirits, and you may look for the report in the March paper.

According to agreement, Miss Marie Brehm came to our town Friday, January 14, and Friday night we were favored with a grand discourse on Faith, given to us in her usual impressive way. Saturday afternoon she gave a talk to young people, which was indeed an eye-opener. Her talks on this subject did great good here. Sunday afternoon a mass temperance meeting was held in the C. P. Church. Miss Brehm's talk here was even better than those preceding it. Sunday night at the M. E. Church, the largest church in the city, the audience was large. Intense interest prevailed, and, although she talked for two hours, all went away with a longing for more. She has sown good seed.

On Monday morning a mothers' meeting was held. This was something we needed very much here.

The Mooresville and Brooklyn meetings were a success in every particular.

SECRETARY MARTINSVILLE W. C. T. U.  
Martinsville, Ind.

Elkhart county held an executive at Goshen. The Unions pledged to do more personal work, endorsed all the plans sent out by the State and decided to have their names on the "honor roll" for Unions. By unanimous vote it was decided to hold an institute early. A franchise contest will be held for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School. All red letter days will be observed. County organization will be increased.



## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Jessie Butler, president of Warren county, had a seige of typhoid fever last summer. Before her convalescence her husband, a friend of the W. C. T. U., took the same disease, from which he died October 24. Mrs. Butler is with her mother at Urbana, Ill., where she will remain until stronger. We extend to her our sympathy, and hope that Warren county women will continue to push the work during her absence.

Alton Union will hold parlor meetings.

South Bend Central has several new members.

Bedford Union has three new members since December 1.

Kentland Union is arranging for special meetings.

South Bend has a new Union since State Convention—South Bend Willard.

Valparaiso Union will soon have two lectures by Mrs. Rounds, president of Illinois W. C. T. U.

Brazil Union will hold parlor meetings. One new member joined at the last meeting.

A stirring contest for Hadley Industrial School is arranged for by Freelandville Union.

Moore's Hill Union has had an annual program printed. It will hold an oratorical contest early in February.

Brookville Union has established and is sustaining a reading room. It is arranging for some special temperance work.

Mrs. Fannie Rogers, treasurer of Mill Creek Union, has been for several weeks under treatment at Dr. Pantzer's sanitarium in Indianapolis.

Colfax Avenue Union, South Bend, will send the *Union Signal* to the library, Y. M. C. A. and to the editors of city dailies.

Mrs. Emma Cranmer, who has spent much time in our State during the past year, goes to Missouri for February and then returns to South Dakota for work.

Mrs. Anna Kilmer, our State Superintendent of "Work Among Foreigners," has moved to Peru. Mr. Kilmer has invested in the oil business there.

The ladies of one of the Freelandville missionary societies favored a resolution of disapproval of the act of President McKinley in serving wine at his state dinner in the White House.

Mrs. Mina Squires, president of Churubusco Union, writes that they had five new paid members during the first quarter. The Union has fifteen new members, not all paid, and has organized an L. T. L. since the State Convention.

Mrs. Young, president of Michigan City Union, writes: "We are beginning the new year with more interest and zeal than we had expected. We are getting back our old members. This adds new strength and encouragement. I have the promise of two new members for our next meeting."

The Vincennes Union, under the leadership of Mrs. Alice Clark, is "full of good works."

Knox county spring convention will be held in Freelandville. Mrs. Polk, county president, says that at that time they hope to hold a silver gray contest.

An autograph quilt netted Dillsboro Union \$15, which was sent immediately to Hadley Industrial School. "New Members" is the motto of this Union for the new year.

The Mary Hadley Y, at Terre Haute, is cordially welcomed as an auxiliary. May its members be as sweet-spirited and work as relentlessly against the liquor traffic as does she whose name they have chosen for their Y.

The Greensburg ministerial meeting arranged for special meetings every day during the week of prayer.

The Greensburg committee of ministers for afternoon meetings during the week of prayer appointed but one woman as leader. That woman was our Mrs. Laura Thomson, whose life is so full of the Christ-likeness.

Westfield Union has adopted the plan of holding a parlor meeting once each month at the home of some one of the superintendents of departments; an especial program to be arranged for each meeting, the novel feature being a paper read by the hostess on the work of her department.

Morristown Union recently held a parlor meeting at the home of its president, Mrs. Ruby. Notwithstanding very inclement weather, about twenty-five persons were present. There was good music and recitations, a short address by Mrs. Anna Bodine and a paper by Mrs. Ruby. The serving of coffee and cake gave opportunity for a little social time and the solicitation of new members.

Thorntown held two public gospel temperance meetings in December. Had a contest ready for

January 1, which had to be postponed on account of diphtheria scourge.

Mrs. J. B. Hann, the efficient superintendent of mothers' meetings for Indianapolis Meridian Union, held an interesting mothers' meeting in January at the home of Mrs. J. C. Smith, 2325 College avenue. There was a large attendance. Mrs. E. G. Cornelius gave a most impressive bible reading, which was followed by an able address by Mrs. M. L. Gipe. Many copies were sold of Dr. Mary Wood Allen's "Almost a Man," "Teaching Truth" and "Child Confidence Rewarded."

Our efficient State Superintendent of Narcotics, Mrs. Fannie Calkins, who labored so earnestly for an anti-cigarette law, has moved to Wildwood, Mich. Indiana sincerely mourns the loss of this brave, active State superintendent. We have written to Mrs. Benjamin, president of Michigan, telling her of Indiana's loss and Michigan's great gain.

Miss Brehm's second visit in Morgan county was quite an ovation. She is expected again in February, and the question troubling them now is to get a room large enough to hold the audience. She is reported as talking very plainly to voters, and they were heard to remark, "It's no use; there is no dodging the points she made." And the most remarkable thing of all is that these same voters kept sweet and greatly admired the orator.

In a letter from Mrs. E. C. Graham, of Rockport, I find the Union is quietly active with gospel meetings on the Sabbath, sermons from their ministers, and contests, and now they are arranging for a reading room for their boys.

The Loogootee Union holds gospel temperance meetings the first Sunday evening of every month. These are union meetings of all three churches—Methodist, Christian and Baptist. The ministers help in these, and are glad to have temperance meetings in their churches. We have carried on these union meetings for over three years, and the interest increases and the audience is always large.

Marion Central sent a barrel to the Door of Hope. The L. T. L. of Marion is on the boom. They have a large class of senior boys and girls.

Mrs. Overman is an indefatigable worker in the L. T. L. field.

Wawaka was successful with their remonstrance, and have not a saloon in the town.

Albion has started out to observe every red-letter day in the year, and began with Madam Willard's birthday.

Through the influence of the Albion W. C. T. U. the town has a splendid curfew ordinance. The city council gave them just what they asked for—that the time of ringing the curfew be 8 o'clock during the long days and 7 o'clock in the short ones, and the age limit be sixteen. It is well enforced. Their Union holds a Mothers' Meeting once a month. "Purity and the Public School" is a subject to be considered in the near future.

Mrs. Cammack held a Mothers' Meeting with the colored Union of Marion at their last meeting. Subject: "Parental Influence." It was appreciated so much that she was asked to repeat it at night at their church, when more would be present and they would make an effort to have the young ladies out.

Ligonier has added eight new members to their Union.

DeKalb county has had an executive meeting; good attendance and planned for their spring convention. Butler, the large Union that Mrs. Cammack organized on her way to the State convention, is thinking of entertaining the convention.

A member of LaOtto Union said, "If this Union goes down, I shall put on my white ribbon every Union day and parade the streets. *The Union shall not die!* They will not die with such a spirit. They received five new members as one of the results of Mrs. Cammack's lectures.

Nappanee Union is up and doing. Mrs. Cammack spoke for them in November, and they will have her again soon.

Rome City Union is preparing the young people for work in the summer assembly the coming season.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

In response to a request from Mrs. McWhirter, I send in the following:

We meet the second Tuesday of each month with an average attendance of ten members. Last year we were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Tomlinson, who has a creditable reputation for earnest and efficient work in Illinois and Indiana. She complimented us on

having "the best Mothers' Meetings" in her experience. Our superintendent has allowed them to go down. Committees of two were appointed last spring to visit the school each week to see a lesson given in Scientific Temperance. It stirred up the teachers by way of remembrance. The school board granted our request for Neal Dow's birthday as Temperance Day, to be an annual custom. We furnished the program.

We made earnest efforts for a curfew law, but the town board failed us. We canvassed the township to secure signatures to a non-license petition. The business men refused to sign, but the voters in the country responded nobly. We sent \$25 to the Temple, and \$6 to the Armenians. We sent out forty boxes of flowers or fruit on Flower Mission Day. The children's work languishes, but now the wife of our Presbyterian minister is trying to start that work. There are but three Unions in our county. **MRS. L. H. SHAW.**  
Worthington, Green County.

The Terre Haute West Side Union has been gaining in interest, enthusiasm and membership since the county convention held last Oct. One of the members, Mrs. Belle Henderson, has made and written year books for the members. These contain programs for the various meetings.

Center Union was organized May 17, 1896, with eleven members and four honoraries. It has steadily increased in interest, and where any have dropped out their places have been supplied with others. Two Ys joined our ranks recently, making our enrollment as at the beginning. A. T. Whitson attended our Union in December, and gave us a glowing account of the World's and National Conventions, inspiring us to more earnestness in the work. On the last day of the old year we held a suffrage contest which, although it was a very disagreeable evening, added \$4.25 to our treasury. And what still cheers us, our superintendent of contest work says we must have a Demorest contest before we quit. **H. M. KENWORTHY,**  
Corresponding Secretary.

Brazil Union was full of enthusiasm during the first quarter of the new year in our work, and we look upon the signs as prophetic of an excellent year's work. We held a New Year's meeting with an excellent bible reading, conducted by Mrs. Ramy, whose readings are always full of spiritual power, and a testimony meeting revealed the fact that each one present was more deeply impressed than ever before of the importance of our work and pledged their best efforts for this year.

Money was raised for the Hadley Industrial School by giving an "old folks concert." A large chorus of forty voices, most of them elderly persons dressed in old fashioned costume (some relics of many years), sang ancient and modern music, with two or three fine recitations interspersed. A vein of temperance ran through the entertainment. A parliamentary drill, in which the society resolved themselves into a convention to suppress the liquor traffic, putting in practice the rules on which we had been drilled, was one of the best features. It was pronounced by all a high grade entertainment. We realized \$85 at 15 cents each. Other Unions would take up this feature and manage it properly they would realize great profit from it.

We are to have sermons from the different pastors at proper intervals, at which time the Unions will attend in a body and see that the friends attend, also. The ministers are pleased to comply.

**DORA L. KEITH.**

Mrs. Mary C. Leib, president Anderson W. C. T. U., writes, We are and have been working for new members more earnestly since our last State Convention with fairly good success, hoping and praying that the future has better in store for us. At our first meeting (Mothers') after the convention, reports of the convention were given. And non-members, of which there were a goodly number present, as well as a good turn out of members. We are only thirty-eight strong, with several honorary members, and all seem very much interested. We are trying to impress upon our dear sisters the fact that they cannot be eligible to any office unless they are readers of the State and National papers. On December 16, Mrs. McWhirter was with us at a parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. John E. Canaday. We have felt the inspiration ever since. Jan. 3—Madam Willard's birthday—was observed with appropriate exercises; very impressive, and with good effect, one new member being added. And so the good work goes on.

21 W. 12th St., Anderson, Ind.



"Not by Might Nor  
By Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## FRANCES E. WILLARD, WORLD'S AND NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE W. C. T. U., CALLED TO HER REWARD.

HER LIFE GIVEN TO THE CAUSE. FRANCES E. WILLARD,  
OUR QUEEN, IS CROWNED

With immortal glory, and has entered into the life beyond. This is not the first time our organization has looked into the open grave, but we had only one Miss Willard to bury, and our sorrow and sense of loss is very, very keen. It has been admirably said that "death is the sovereign alchemist who assays the value of the coin struck in the mint of life." Such a valuation we are called to put upon the life and character of our loved leader, when, by a stroke that bewildered our eyes and smote our hearts, Miss Frances E. Willard was removed beyond the mystic boundaries of the life that is.

Miss Frances E. Willard, the greatly loved president of the World's and United States W. C. T. U., died after a short illness, February 18, at Hotel Empire, New York City. February 23 her body lay in state in the beautiful Willard Hall in the W. C. T. U. Temple in Chicago. February 24 the funeral services were held in the First M. E. church, Evanston, to which she had belonged since young girlhood.

Frances E. Willard was born at Churchville, near Rochester, N. Y., September 28, 1839. Being one of three children—a brother older and a sister younger—she was descended on her father's side from Maj. Simon Willard, one of the founders of Concord, Mass. Her mother was Margaret Hill, of sturdy New England stock. When Frances was 3 years old the family moved to Oberlin, Ohio, where they remained 5 years, and then removed to Janesville, Wis., where she and her sister Mary, the subject of that charming memoir, "Nineteen Beautiful Years," spent the next 10 years in the school of nature amid the lovely scenery of Rock River valley, with her wise mother and a beloved governess as instructors. The family moved to Evanston on account of the educational advantages. She graduated in 1859 from the Northwestern Female College. For several years she taught, holding positions in several colleges and in Evanston as dean of the Woman's College, into which had merged the Northwestern Female College, made her president of her Alma Mater. As a teacher she was an inspiration. She traveled in Europe, visiting points of greatest interest, including chief centers of European culture; studied in Paris, Berlin and Rome. While abroad she was a frequent contributor to the New York Independent, The Christian Union, Harper's Monthly and leading Chicago journals.

In 1874 when the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized she was chosen for corresponding secretary. Since then, with the exception of the time she was engaged with D. L. Moody, the evangelist, in Boston, she has devoted her time and genius to the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, serving the national organization as corresponding secretary until 1879, when the National convention was held in Indianapolis. She was then elected president, a position for which she was remarkably fitted. To Miss Willard came the thought of sending out W. C. T. U. missionaries, and later the organization of the World's W. C. T. U. In 1888 she was elected president of the National Council of Women and president of the World's W. C. T. U. As a public speaker she had few equals. Her personel was pleasing, her countenance inspiring, her voice full of pathos and power. It was musical and mellow, with distinct articulation and great earnestness. She was recently easily heard in the great music halls in St. Louis and Buffalo. Her gentleness and humility were marked characteristics.

We have a feeling that our leader's place can never be filled. We believe that she was one of God's greatest gifts to the nineteenth century. She inspired us by her genius, "taught us complete dependence upon God and led us onward, upward by her enthusiastic faith. When tried by prosperity and flattery, by misunderstanding and evil report, she was always and everywhere the same unaffected, fair-minded christian woman whose sole aim was to do the will of God." "She did more to enlarge our sympathies, widen our outlook and develop our gifts than any man or any other woman of this century." Every movement for the uplifting of humanity has found in her a cordial friend and active helper. How we will miss her leading. She heard the bugle of immortality summoning her away while struggling in the thick of the fight. So intense has been the pressure in these formative years of the

mightest movements to which women have as yet been called, that she lived in work, far beyond the appointed span.

Our leader is gone. Our grief is shared by all classes of society, Protestant and Catholic, the enemies of the saloon, who mingle their tears because Frances Willard is gone. She was the uncrowned queen of the world, who has reigned in the hearts of half a million earnest women in many nations. She is gone, but we must not falter or turn back; we must double our vigilance; the battle wages; let every woman stand firmly at her post until the triumph comes of the principles she espoused and for which she gave of her rich talents and her life. God help us to lift our hearts and to think not of death, but of immortality. The way lies only a little longer for us. Life is eternal and boundless. We feel that the morning lingers just over the hill. May we be more holy women with a higher ideal than ever before. Oh, that our local Unions may become centers of spiritual power, gathering to them the christian womanhood of this nation, until the foundation and strongholds of the liquor traffic shall be shaken and overturned by the mighty



oncoming of Christ's kingdom in the hearts of the people.

## LADY HENRY SOMERSET, WORLD'S PRESIDENT.

We shall give her an open hand and a warm heart welcome to this, the first place in the world. Any one reading the following article from the pen of our promoted chieftain, and one of her last efforts, can not do less, and must feel loyalty to the heart's core for this misunderstood sister. Miss Willard said:

"Lady Henry Somerset has given 12 years of constant activity to the temperance reform. I do not believe that any other woman ever laid so many gifts upon its shrine. She is the daughter of an earl, the inheritor of wealth, the possessor of beauty and charm. She has a voice sweet as a flute, and of a compass capable of easily reaching 10,000 persons, a gift of eloquence in speaking that has made her the foremost woman orator of her time, and a gift of writing that has been characterized in terms of highest commendation by literary experts. To crown all these, she has a tender faith and spirituality irradiating her daily life, and a humor and bonhomie so delightful that they are perhaps the first qualities noted on meeting her.

I am more grieved than I can tell you that she could not continue in the work to which she has brought a devotion that knew no metes or bounds. The misfortune of losing her through overwork from the white ribbon army of England is greater than any other we have yet sustained.

In closing her letter of resignation to the British women, she quotes the pathetic couplet:

"My half day's work is done,  
And this is all my part,  
To give a patient God  
My patient heart."

But we will not permit ourselves to think that she will be no more among us; other and better days may dawn, and meanwhile it comforts me to know that I but express the loyalty of her American comrades in writing this little characterization, which they will accept as richly deserved of one whom they have learned to love so much."

From the Indianapolis Journal, February 25.

## IN MISS WILLARD'S MEMORY.

TRIBUTE PAID TO THE GREAT WOMAN AT YESTERDAY'S  
MEETING.

A memorial meeting for Miss Frances Willard was held yesterday afternoon at Central avenue M. E. church. There was a large attendance of women interested in the W. C. T. U. work, and its leader. The pulpit was decorated with white flowers, and smilax and white cloth were draped on the railing. A portrait of Miss Willard, framed in white and smilax, was against a large flag across the front of the organ. Mrs. F. T. McWhirter presided. The choirs of the Broadway and Central avenue churches furnished the music. At either side of Mrs. McWhirter were seated the speakers of the meeting. A hymn, "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah," was sung, and a Psalm was read, followed by a prayer by Dr. C. C. Lasby, pastor of the church. Mrs. McWhirter gave a brief sketch of the death and funeral services held for Miss Willard, and then gave an historical resume of her life and work. In closing, Mrs. McWhirter urged the women to continue her work.

Miss Hadley, vice-president of the Indiana W. C. T. U., told why Miss Willard was great, since, "by the power of God, she swept the keys of humanity, which responded to her touch. To pay a tribute to her was to pay a tribute to the principles for which she labored. The cause is greater than its leader, and we will pray for some one to take her place. While our earth is lonely, our sky has gained a star." Mrs. Balch, State secretary, spoke of Miss Willard's fortunate environment, and of how she made the most of her opportunities. Miss Harriet Noble spoke of Miss Willard as a teacher. Her power she deemed not so much in her teaching as in the influence of her personality. She was a pioneer in teaching self-government, self-control and a high standard of conduct, self-respect and a sense of responsibility. It was Miss Willard who opened the eyes of thousands of women to civic life. Mr. Edward Clark spoke of Miss Willard's attitude toward the press. Mr. Clark recounted Miss Willard's early experiences in sending contributions for publication and her disappointments. Her later writings consisted of articles in the magazines and the Union Signal. Miss Willard's attitude toward the press, he said, was always one of kindly sympathy. In closing, he told of seeing and hearing Miss Willard at the national Y. P. S. C. E. meeting in Cleveland.

After the choir sang "Rock of Ages," Mrs. May Wright Sewall spoke of Miss Willard and the suffrage movement, and said that it was in the hymn just sung that she first heard Miss Willard's voice.

Miss Willard came to realize the need of the ballot in order that greater legislation might be accomplished in the interest of the work of temperance, which was so near her heart. Mrs. Sewall gave an account of a meeting of the Temperance Union held in Washington, when Miss Willard created a sensation by asking Miss Anthony to come to the platform.

Rev. Dr. Lasby spoke of Miss Willard as a Christian and a church member. He told of her joining the Methodist Church when a young woman, and read two letters which were written by Miss Willard to a Sunday school teacher, who is now a member of the Central Avenue Church. Miss Willard was one of the first women elected to the Methodist General Conference, and she enjoyed the friendship of the leading men and women of the church. Mrs. Northcott sang one of Miss Willard's favorite hymns, "Some Glad Day," in which the choir and audience joined. Mrs. McWhirter gave a brief personal tribute to the late "un-crowned queen," and there were several informal tributes from members of the audience who had known Miss Willard personally.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### MRS. STEVENS, OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

By the death of Miss Willard, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, of Portland, Maine, becomes acting President of the National W. C. T. U., according to the constitution of the national organization. The president-elect nominates the vice-president and the convention elects the same. Thus Mrs. Stevens was selected by Miss Willard.

### DEPARTMENT FUND.

Our departments do the real work of the State W. C. T. U., and we decided we needed a fund and would make one by holding public department meetings quarterly. We said we would take a collection at these meetings, giving half of the collection to the State for a state fund, and one-fourth to the County for a county fund and the local Union getting the remaining one-fourth of the collection for its share, and every penny of the money to be used in department work. A program was put out for the first quarter in the January MESSAGE. It was a good program, for I attended a department meeting when it was carried out. And if one hundred Unions had done what that Union did we would have at least \$50 for our fund. We now give the program for the second quarterly department meeting:

#### PROGRAM.

Use White Ribbon hymnals (if you have them; if you do not have them, better get them.) Song, page 7, "Christ for the world we sing," also page 19, "Save our land." Responsive reading, "Praise," prepared by our World's president now. The first one in our hymnal. Follow this with prayer service. Song, page 159, "Ring out." A 20 minutes' symposium on women's enfranchisement in 5 minute (or less) speeches. Recitation, "A teetotaler's story," W. C. T. U. book No. 3. A solo. Recitation, "Law, lawless and lawless," by Frances E. Willard, Demorest book No. 3. Collection. Temperance doxology. Organization fund.

The wheels of organization stand fast; they have not turned round once since the South Bend convention. There is a pad-lock on them, and on it in letters which all can see, you read, "we can't go in debt." Life memberships were to be used for this fund. Last year we spent some thought and energy in that direction and four life memberships were the result. Are we to have any this year? Shall we extend organization? Is anyone thinking or doing anything in this line? If so, we want to hear from them.

#### CONVENTIONS AND INSTITUTES.

With two or three exceptions counties are taking the schedule dates and the plan and program seems to give general satisfaction. We feel hopeful of reaching every unorganized county, and surely no county president will allow her county to be the exception. And in that case we will cover the state by counties—an institute in every one of the ninety-two counties.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins has sent a department letter which, in some unexplainable way, disappeared. We received a very beautiful tribute to Miss Willard from the pen of our superintendent of mothers' meetings and regret very much that there was no room for it in our little MESSAGE edition.—ED.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE, 1898.

"Salus populi Suprema est. lex."

#### PROGRAM.

10:00. Devotional, by President of Local Union.  
10:15. Organization of Institute.

10:30. Bible Reading, "Christian Citizenship," conducted by Leader of Institute.  
11:15. Our Literature Department—Books, Leaflets, Periodicals, etc. Instruction by State, County or Local Superintendent of Literature. Discussion and subscription to periodicals.  
11:50. Announcements. Miscellaneous Business.  
12:00. Music. Noontide hour.

#### AFTERNOON.

2:00. Devotion. Prayer and Praise Service, conducted by State, County or Local Superintendent of Evangelistic Department.  
2:20. Indiana's Plan of Work considered in talks or papers of four minutes each.  
1. Organization, by.....  
2. L. T. L. and Y. Work, by.....  
3. Department Plan, Life Membership, Finance, etc., by.....  
4. Stirring Campaign, by.....  
5. Normal Institute, by.....  
6. Red Letter Days, by.....  
Discussion by the Leader and others.  
3:00. Legislative Work—Shall Indiana have Equal Suffrage in this Century?  
To answer—State Superintendent of Suffrage or Institute Leader.  
Discussion by Rev....., Prof....., Att., ..... and others.  
Music. Prayer.  
4:00. Ten minutes' Parliamentary Drill by the Leader.  
4:10. Sabbath Observance—What do we understand it to mean specifically?  
Ten minutes' instruction by State, Local or County Superintendent of the Department.  
Discussion.  
4:25. Announcements.  
Music.  
Benediction.  
4:30. Adjournment.

#### EVENING.

7:30. Devotion, conducted by County President.  
7:45. Address or Symposium, by National or State Worker.

#### SECOND DAY—MORNING.

9:00. Devotion, conducted by.....  
9:15. Organizations of Women—Their Relation to One Another and to the Needs of Our Day; Literary and Social Clubs, Church, Aid societies, Relief corps, Branch organizations of secret societies, Foreign Mission Societies, W. C. T. Unions, Women's Councils, etc.  
Symposium by three members, each treating the subject, as a whole, in eight minutes.  
Discussion by the county W. C. T. U. executive, led by the President.  
10:00. A Few Things Accomplished. What Next? A Short Talk by the Leader.  
10:15. Preventive and Educational Measures more Humane and Economical than Reform.  
The following divisions of the subject each to be given in ten minutes:  
1. The Curfew vs. Police Court, Jail, etc., by....  
2. An Industrial Training vs. Rescue Work, by.....  
3. No License Ballot vs. Gold Cure, License Laws, Regulation and Rum, by.....  
General Discussion led by Rev.....  
11:15. Narcotic Poisons—Indiana's Legislation against them and its Enforcement.  
Presented by State Superintendents of the Departments or their Substitutes. Discussion by  
11:40. Stray Leaves of Current Events, Questions, Points for Practice, Praise.  
12:00. Music.  
Noontide prayer.  
Adjournment.

#### SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Semi-annual County Convention as arranged by County W. C. T. U. Executive.

#### EVENING—SUFFRAGE CONTEST.

Subjects for Evening Meetings:

1. The Legal Status of Woman.  
2. A Greater Benefactor than the Good Samaritan.  
3. "If ye Know \* \* \* \* to Do."  
4. The Emergency and Its Answer.  
Profit and Loss. The Mark of the Beast.

MARY HADLEY,

Bloomington, Ind.

Superintendent.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Dear Sisters—The first week of April will soon be here, and lest it find you unprepared, begin your preparation at once.

First. Invite each pastor to deliver at least one pointed sermon on Sabbath Observance.

Second. Hold a mass-meeting on Sunday afternoon and assign subjects to some of your leading men and women for discussion. At this meeting pass the Sabbath Observance pledge; also a pledge against the Sunday newspaper. Have an abundance of good literature for free distribution and good music. Do not be afraid to advertise your meeting and announce it until every one shall know of it.

Third. Ask your pastors to make Sabbath Observance the topic for the mid-week prayer service.

Fourth. Make out a copy of our State Sabbath law and ask your county and local papers to publish it that week. Copy the first paragraph under "A Week of Prayer," on page 55, and ask them to publish it the last week in March.

Fifth. Let this be the subject of your prayer, public, private and in the family.

Sixth. Keep a record of all work done and report.

Yours sincerely,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

### SOMETHING FOR ALL, ESPECIALLY NARCOTIC WORKERS.

Push the Terry bill. The Terry bill, now before Congress, is a terror to the tobacco trust. This will give police power to the states in dealing with the cigarette, and such a law must be passed by Congress before the states can effectively shut out the cigarette in original packages, according to the provisions of the Interstate commerce law. Many states now stand ready to pass prohibitory cigarette laws, as Iowa and Tennessee have already done, as soon as the Terry bill becomes a law. Write at once to Mrs. F. H. Ingalls, St. Louis, Mo., National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, for full information. "Tobacco Trust Exposure," a leaflet that should be scattered far and wide. Rates as follows: 100, 30 cents; 400, \$1.00; 1,000, \$2.50. Address National Citizenship League, 822-153 LaSalle street, Chicago, Ill.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

Heretofore superintendents have been referred to the Organizer Publishing Co. for Scientific Temperance Literature and the Wall Rolls, that their stock already on hand might be used without extra cost in postage to the person ordering.

However, the Wall Rolls may now be ordered in any number desired of the State Superintendent of this department. Price, 5 cents each. Also, new, bright, up-to-date literature, suitable for the teacher, parent or superintendent in packages of 10 cents each. Superintendents, please state which class is desired.

ADAH W. WHITE,

State Superintendent.

### LIST OF NEW PAID MEMBERS.

St. Joe, Mrs. Silas King; Ligonier, Mrs. M. C. Denny and Miss Alice Lewis; Michigan City, Mrs. F. E. Brown and Mrs. McDaniel; Amo, Mrs. Susan B. Scherer; Marion, Central, Mrs. J. M. Speelman; Logansport, Central, Mrs. Jacob Morehart; Logansport, West Side, Mrs. Graw; Monrovia, Mrs. Lizzie Hubbard, Mrs. Rhoda Wilhite, Mrs. Lucy Edwards and Mrs. Mattie Fletcher; LaPorte, Mrs. J. Shupp and Mrs. H. Decker; Elkhart, Mrs. Garvin, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Kidder; Indianapolis, Meridian, Mrs. L. Wilson, Mrs. M. Bristol, Mrs. Z. T. Jaynes and Mrs. S. E. Houser; Indianapolis, Tarlton, Mrs. Lucy P. Randall, aged 82 years.

NOTE—Word is received of many new members being secured, but these are all reported.

Dear Sisters—I send a list of twelve names, ten for the MESSAGE alone and two for the MESSAGE and Union Signal. Also inclose a P. O. order for \$4.70. I hope to secure another club in the near future. We have four Unions in South Bend. Besides their separate lines of work they are just now co-operating in a special effort to enforce the cigarette law and to secure for our city the Curfew law, also to create more interest on the subject of temperance in our Sunday schools. We have planned a mass meeting of the Sunday schools and a crusade of pledge signing. At a county executive meeting we adopted the program given in the MESSAGE for the Normal Institute and hope to have a profitable meeting. Faithfully yours,

EVA OAKES TAGGART.

513 S. LaFayette street, South Bend, Ind.



**HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.**

The response of the W. C. T. Unions and friends of the School to the call for funds to help cancel all indebtedness on this much-needed home, has gladdened the hearts of those feeling the burden of providing a home and home comforts for those now there, and for others who are asking admission to it. The debts have been and are still so pressing that we feel almost as if committing a crime when using any of these funds, even for the direct necessities of the Home. This should not be, you will all say.

A touching appeal comes to us from a widowed mother whose husband was murdered last October. She asks that we take three of her little girls. If we should take one or two of them, she will then have it hard enough to keep herself and those remaining, as she has been left with seven children. There are several others with their share of sorrow and destitution who are knocking at our doors, the admission of whom means additional expense. Let us of our abundance grant them the blessing of our Christian Home.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

Danville, Ill.

*Dear Sisters*—After an illness of some weeks I rejoice that I am again able to be at my desk. Your kind letters of sympathy and your personal calls have cheered me greatly during this, the first real sickness of my life. The hours in bed did not seem nearly so long. One thought especially cheered me, and I am sure it has cheered you equally as well, for I only sum up and report the work done by you dear sisters of the local and county Unions. The thought was this: The Unions have just completed the best quarter's work of any corresponding quarter for years.

Many Unions do not take the MESSAGE. We are sorry for this. The report of the good work being done by the different Unions is an inspiration. The work of the second quarter will soon have been completed. Have you secured your new member this quarter? Have you kindly asked for all dues that become due this quarter? Have you, as county officers, visited every Union in your county? If not, try the plan and report results to the MESSAGE. One personal visit is better than two or three letters. Report blanks have been sent out. The promptness of nearly all the Unions in returning the blanks properly filled is, indeed, gratifying. Very few coming in late last quarter.

Has any county treasurer failed to receive the blanks? Then notify the State Treasurer at once.

Has any local treasurer failed to receive a blank? Write your county treasurer immediately.

Did any Union in the county fail to report last year? Then use every effort to get it to send in a report this quarter.

Many Unions that once slept sleep no longer.

Many new Unions have been formed with bright prospects for the future.

Certainly the time has never been when honorary members could be secured so easily. Many seem glad to give their name and dollar. Don't fail to ask them.

Have you made your Union meetings so interesting that they are the talk of the town?

Has any treasurer paid out money, no matter how small the amount, without an order signed by both the president and secretary? If so, don't do it any more.

Has any treasurer sent a report to the county or State without keeping an exact duplicate? Don't do it again.

Does any one think it not important to make out the reports on the blanks sent? Then don't think so any longer.

If any one fails to receive a receipt for money sent, notify the treasurer and duplicate will be sent. Don't be satisfied without one.

Don't fail to subscribe for the MESSAGE and Union Signal—only \$1.10. Both should be on the table of every White Ribboner.

Let us be in earnest about the work, especially this part of it. Make a systematic canvass.

Try Miss Brehm's plan of dividing the Union into two equal divisions. The division securing the fewest subscribers being required to give a reception in honor of the other division. This is also a good plan for securing new members. Who will be the first to report? The Master bath need of more workers and hath called us. Let us not be found wanting in this great time of need.

Yours, to help push the work to a finish,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.****RECEIPTS—DUES.**

Albion.....	\$4 00
Booneville.....	2 50
Jeffersonville.....	1 50
Dillsboro.....	5 50
Moore's Hill.....	4 50
Coloma.....	3 00
Fredericksburg.....	2 00
Terra Haute—Central.....	7 00
South Bend—Willard.....	4 00
Franklin.....	2 00
New Albany.....	2 50
Bloomington.....	6 00
North Judson.....	2 10
Thorntown.....	4 00
Zionsville.....	2 00
Petersville.....	4 50
Brownsville.....	3 50
Goshen.....	4 50
Goshen—Y Branch.....	3 00
Nappanee.....	50
Middleburg.....	1 50
Bristol.....	50
Elkhart.....	3 50
Frankfort.....	7 00
Willard.....	2 50
Mulberry.....	1 50
Rossville.....	1 00
Worthington.....	3 00
Andrews.....	1 00
Huntington.....	4 50
Washington.....	50
Montgomery.....	3 00
Bedford.....	2 50
Terre Haute—West Side.....	3 50
Shoals.....	1 00
Loogootee.....	3 50
Hindostan.....	2 00
Michigan City.....	1 50
Westville.....	1 00
LaPorte.....	3 00
Bluffton.....	2 50
Ossian.....	4 00
Angola.....	5 00
Fremont.....	1 50
Ashley.....	1 50
Pleasant Lake.....	50
Upland.....	2 50
Deer Creek.....	3 50
Fairmount.....	5 00
South Marion.....	1 50
Buck Creek.....	1 00
Marion.....	2 50
Jonesboro.....	1 00
Point Isabel.....	50
Coatesville.....	2 00
Dana.....	1 00
Greencastle.....	6 00
South Bend—Central.....	3 50
“ “ —Colfax Avenue.....	1 50
“ “ —North Side.....	3 50
Martinsville Y.....	1 00
Morgantown.....	2 00
Moore'sville.....	1 00
Brooklyn.....	1 50
Spiceland.....	1 00
Auburn.....	1 00
Garrett.....	50
Waterloo.....	1 00
St. Joseph.....	1 00
Butler.....	3 50
Brazil.....	2 00
West Middleton.....	50
Kokomo.....	6 50
New London.....	2 00
Lindley.....	1 00
Greentown.....	1 50
Phlox.....	6 50
Western Grove.....	5 50
Fortville.....	1 50
Plainfield.....	1 00
LaOtto.....	1 50
Valparaiso.....	1 50
Hebron.....	3 25
Manilla.....	1 50
Milroy.....	5 00
Anderson.....	1 50
Anderson Y.....	3 50
Lapel.....	5 50
Elwood.....	2 00
Alexandria.....	1 00

Plymouth.....	\$2 00
Bourbon.....	2 50
Argos.....	2 00
Evansville.....	2 00
Lamasco.....	1 50
Kentland.....	2 00
Goodland.....	2 00
Morocco.....	1 50
LaFayette.....	5 00
East LaFayette.....	1 50
Greensburg.....	4 75
Wabash.....	4 00
South Wabash.....	1 75
North Manchester.....	5 50
Decatur.....	2 50
Geneva.....	1 00
Hillsboro.....	1 00
Birch Creek.....	2 50
Bloomington.....	1 00
Princeton.....	1 00
Churubusco.....	4 50
Talbot.....	50
Oxford.....	1 00
Indianapolis—Southeast.....	2 50
“ —Northeast.....	4 00
“ —Meridian.....	9 00
“ —Wallace.....	2 50
“ —Tarleton.....	4 50
“ —Central.....	1 00
“ —Mapleton.....	1 00
West Indianapolis.....	2 00
Valley Mills.....	2 50
Irvington.....	2 50
Center.....	50
Bridgeport.....	1 00
Columbus.....	1 50
Hammond.....	1 50
Warsaw.....	1 50
East Logansport.....	9 50
Westfield.....	50
Sheridan.....	50
Cynthiana.....	1 50
Richmond.....	7 00
M. F. Thomas.....	2 00
Fountain City.....	1 50
Centerville.....	1 00
Economy.....	50
Ligonier.....	1 50
Wamaka.....	1 50
Dunkirk.....	1 00
Red Key.....	2 00
Union City.....	50
Hartford City.....	50
Burnett's Creek.....	1 00
Monon.....	4 00
Muncie—West Side.....	1 00
Eaton.....	1 00
Hardinsburg.....	50
Cash on hand October 1.....	21 94
Collections at South Bend Convention.....	62 10
Donation for Convention Fund.....	11 50
“ “ Fair Cottage, Greentown Union.....	1 00
Insurance on Fair Cottage, net.....	568 25
Sale of Fair Cottage stove.....	9 00
Life Membership, Mattie Cammack.....	12 00
Donation Lit. for S. Bend Convention, L. F. McWhirter.....	5 00
Sale of Connersville property donated by Miss Tate.....	100 00
Sale of Minutes.....	40 00
Advertisements in State Minutes.....	37 50
Donation for Hadley School, Phlox Union.....	5 06
“ “ Temperance Hospital, North Manchester.....	2 00
MESSAGE and Signal Fund.....	94 55
Total receipts.....	\$1,332 75

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

Convention expenses.....	\$63 95
“ “ Mrs. L. F. McWhirter.....	2 20
“ “ Mrs. Mary E. Balch.....	3 15
“ “ Miss Mary Hadley.....	8 55
“ “ Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack.....	3 45
“ “ Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson.....	6 50
Printing convention programs.....	13 00
Expenses Central committee.....	6 95
Legislative work 1896.....	57 46
Deficit organization.....	29 07
Fair Cottage notes—Miss Letitia Smith.....	50 60
“ “ —Mrs. M. L. Hobbs.....	50 60
“ “ —Mrs. Melinda Ridgeway.....	294 00
Stationery for State officers.....	16 84
Organization—Mrs. Allie Anderson.....	12 00
Printing advance sheets of State reports.....	19 50



State President's expenses to Nat. convention..	\$18 65
Appropriation to State superintendents.....	47 50
Willard buttons.....	5 00
Donation to Temperance Hospital—Helen Barker, treasurer.....	2 00
Donation to Hadley School—Ella B. Wright, treasurer.....	5 06
Expenses at Fair Cottage fire.....	1 00
Ratti, printing annual reports.....	100 00
“ “ State song.....	1 00
50 per cent Y dues.....	3 00
Y appropriation.....	15 00
L. T. L. appropriation.....	15 00
Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, approp. and services...	11 25
“ “ postage.....	13 94
“ “ printing.....	4 00
“ “ supplies.....	3 21
“ “ car fare.....	3 80
Miss Mary Hadley, postage.....	6 74
“ “ supplies.....	2 10
Mrs. Mary E. Balch, salary.....	118 50
“ “ postage.....	17 54
“ “ supplies.....	6 73
Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, postage.....	1 85
Mrs. A. T. Whitson, salary.....	43 75
“ “ printing blanks.....	4 00
“ “ postage.....	11 03
“ “ supplies.....	2 70
Signal and MESSAGE expenses.....	94 67
National treasurer.....	72 57
Cash on hand.....	63 34
Total.....	\$1,332 75

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

Any one desiring a Willard button can secure the same by sending to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson. Orders from any part of the State will be promptly filled. Price, 10 cents.

## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Dr. Owsley has been made superintendent of the Hadley Industrial School Department of the Thorn-town Union. Mr. Bridges gives the Union a free lecture along the line of rescue work, as the entering of two more girls into our School is under contemplation.

Willard Union, Clinton county, is preparing for a ten days' campaign for Mrs. Anna Downey, especially for the Christian Citizenship department.

Mrs. Florence Vance reports the Press department on the up-grade—twenty county superintendents heard from already.

Coatsville Union has put on new life and vigor. Among their many resolutions for good effort for the year is to observe the red letter days. They canvassed the town and secured eighty signatures against the use and sale of cigarettes.

Mrs. E. M. Haughton, of the Mary F. Thomas Union, has gone to Louisiana for two or three months' work for that State W. C. T. U. She is very much beloved in her home Union, and we feel honored to have her on our roll one of our national evangelists.

Mrs. L. W. Candler has been confined at home with a severe illness most of the winter; was out for the first time last Sabbath. This is a great trial to an indefatigable worker like this sister.

The Unions of Richmond are working together, circulating the petition to Congress requesting it to forbid the sale of liquors in all government buildings. The mission work under the Mary F. Thomas Union is in a flourishing condition.

Moore's Hill Union gives thanks for two new members. They report their young people from fifteen to eighteen as very much interested in medal work. They will hold a gold medal contest at their county convention. Mrs. John Machlan takes the place of Ella Kroft as county secretary.

Mrs. Cammack has made a splendid record the past month, having added to our roll 168 members and seventeen honoraries.

Moore's Hill Union has out a very strong and attractive program.

Mrs. R. J. Trego, of Ohio, assisted in revival services at Gas City.

Miss Baker, President of Benton county, says: "Mrs. Cammack has been in our county and given us a shaking up. She encouraged the weak Unions, organized two new ones and added to our membership 102 women and girls and nine men. I am greatly pleased with Mrs. Cammack's work. Our county has doubled its membership. Two Unions have also doubled their membership."

LaPorte Union is asking the city council for a cur-

few law. Mrs. Dr. Warden and Mrs. Harrison went before the council and made "short but earnest pleas" in behalf of such an ordinance and presented a petition.

North Manchester Union is right up to date. They seem to hold the secret of success and make the do-everything policy fulfill its mission in a wonderful manner. Mrs. Nellie Baker wishes to say to the readers of the MESSAGE that she is not the county president now of Wabash county, but Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, of Wabash, is. Mrs. Nellie Baker belongs to the North Manchester Union.

Memorial services in honor of Miss Frances E. Willard were conducted Thursday, February 24, during the hour of her burial services, at the home of Mrs. J. F. B. Kauffman, Goshen, Ind.

Miss Willard's picture was draped in bridal illusion and white satin ribbon surrounded with beautiful potted plants, and Mrs. Kauffman's home was filled with people interested in Miss Willard. Some of her favorite hymns were sung, and the services consisted of suitable readings from the ministers of different churches in her home at Evanston, and earnest prayers by Miss Chandler and Brother Pierce, of the Baptist church, of this city.

Nappanee Union reports eight new members for their Union since the convention—six since the beginning of the new year; have put four temperance books in school library, subject to their circulating as they wish to do; held parlor meetings and gave five-cent luncheons, proceeds to go in their treasury; are using "Bible Readings" and "Christian Citizenship," and enjoy them.

At our executive meeting we resolved to try and further the cause of temperance by observing all the rules laid out by our leaders, consequently March 14 and 15 will have a spring institute, to be held at Elkhart, and our women will put forth an effort to make it beneficial as well as pleasant to all who will come.

February 18th the Prohibitionists of Elkhart county held an interesting conference at the court house. Chairman Crist, of Indianapolis, was present; the W. C. T. U's, of Goshen, furnished the music.

MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
Goshen, Ind. Press Superintendent.

## ITEM FROM SEDALIA W. C. T. U.

Rev. Arthur Patton, of Burlington, pastor of the Christian church of Sedalia, delivered a temperance sermon on Sunday night, February 13. The Scripture lesson was on the "Road to Jericho" and the text was "Consistency, thou art a jewel," and he did justice to it. It was by the solicitation of our president and also superintendent of evangelist work, Mrs. Kate Coapstick.

Our Medal superintendent, Mrs. Sarah Miller, held the fourth W. C. T. U. contest at Moran, February 17. There were eight contestants, their ages ranging from ten to fourteen. Miss Wealthy Clouse, who received the medal, was only eleven years of age. The one receiving second prize was Miss Grace Ryan, twelve years of age. The others each received a beautiful souvenir with a bow of white ribbon attached. The program was very good, but the net proceeds were only \$5.30, and half was given to the Ladies' Aid society of Moran, leaving us \$2.65. We hope some seed has fallen by the wayside. We observed Washington's birthday, February 22, and intend to observe Neal Dow's also, which we did last year. One letter was written to a member of the legislature by our president last winter in regard to the cigarette petition with quite a number of signatures to the petition, but we haven't done anything in the Narcotic department this year.

ELLA BOYD,  
Superintendent Press.

Howard county Unions are all actively at work. Kokomo Union sustains a mission where much good is being accomplished. A gospel meeting is held every Tuesday evening, a temperance meeting every Friday evening, Sunday at 9 o'clock an L. T. L., Sunday School at 10:30 a. m., and at 3:30 p. m. union services. The ministers of the city preach gratuitously by turns. On Wednesday all poor women are invited to the mission to stay all day. Those who desire to learn are taught to sew. At 3:30 p. m. the Evangelistic Superintendent holds a Mothers' Meeting. Dinners are provided for the mothers on Wednesday and for the children (who live at a long distance) on Sunday. This is truly a great work and those who are carrying it on receive bountiful gifts of grace from our Father.

Kokomo Union meets every Thursday. It has a printed program for the year. There is much interest manifested, new members are being received, and the work is prospered of the Lord.

Dear White Ribboners—At the suggestion of Mrs. McWhirter, our State President, I will write a few words for the MESSAGE concerning our work in Bartholomew county. Although at first I thought there was nothing helpful to report, upon second thought it occurred to me that perhaps our plan for keeping up an interest in the work in the various Unions throughout the county, if known to others, might be somewhat helpful.

Last year we made out enough programs and got them printed to furnish each Union in our county with a supply to distribute among the members. These programs are neatly arranged in pamphlet form, just as those we have for our literary clubs, and program for each regular meeting of year made out complete. The subject for each meeting is designated; then appropriate responses from each member present; the Bible reading for the day is all arranged and indicated. Then follow the papers, select readings, and discussions on some subject. One day is given to each of the various departments of work with which we are interested. We find that the printed programs have helped us, not only in our large Union in Columbus, but also in the smaller Union, by having the work systematized, and by having these programs placed in the hands of all. Yours faithfully,

CARRIE T. WOODARD,  
President Bartholomew County.

Our new president, Mrs. S. D. Curtiss, has been at work. She has addressed one mass meeting in West LaFayette, when she reported the World's Convention of this year. Two members and one honorary were received at that time. Also two Gospel Temperance meetings at Buck Creek, one for mothers and fathers, and one for young people. She has held one mothers' meeting. Twenty-six ladies were present and organized a club for child study. This is not W. C. T. U. work, but an outgrowth of the Union. The president and vice-president are members of the W. C. T. U.

She has recently been to Romney and held five meetings and given one lecture on "The Cash Value of a Boy." She held one Purity meeting for young people Sunday evening, January 31, one meeting for fathers and mothers Sunday afternoon, two Gospel Temperance meetings Monday and Tuesday evenings, and she spoke on Christian citizenship Sunday morning. She has furnished three pastors with White Cross and White Shield manuals, with the promise that they will introduce the work among their young people and endeavor to secure pledges. She has also furnished the LaFayette Y. M. C. A. with a White Cross manual. Yours in the work,

MRS. ALTA E. W. LATTA.

Mrs. Grable, president of the Logansport Union, writes: "I feel encouraged in our work. We have a good attendance and our plan of conducting the meetings, I think, will keep up an interest. We meet at 2:30 p. m. (I begin on time if only three are present.) We give until 4 o'clock. Half of the time some members have charge of the meeting for one of our departments. At the last meeting the Department of Christian Citizenship was the subject. The day being very stormy, we did not have a very large attendance, only sixteen, but every one felt benefited. As we have meetings every two weeks we have gone over a good many of the departments, but as we are getting better acquainted with the work all along the lines, the interest increases and we expect to continue studying our departments. I know that we can with profit.

I see by the MESSAGE Cass county Institute comes in March. I am very glad. We are arranging for Miss Downey in April. Perhaps we can have her for the Institute.

Thornstown Union is wide awake. Under the leadership of a faithful president, Mrs. Mary Jenkins, the Union is doing some excellent work in fourteen departments. Our Mothers' Meetings are of great benefit to mothers. Two of these meetings have been held this year. The one held on February 4 was very enthusiastic. Special invitations were given to mothers and to fathers. The program consisted of a Bible reading on social purity; select reading, "Pitfalls for Boys;" a solo, "A Mother's Appeal to Her Boy;" and a paper, "The Greatness of a Mother's Mission," followed by a spirited discussion. Pen fails to give the inspiration received in the meeting. It was good to be there.

MRS. ORRAH HALLER,  
Secretary.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## SUBSCRIBERS

Please renew your subscription immediately. Some member in every Union desires to help the work, but feels that there is little she can do. Let such a sister visit the old subscribers and get them to renew their subscriptions. This will greatly help. We need more new subscribers in order to know that the communications from the national and State workers are read by the membership. Who will help? Will you?

Mrs. McWhirter says there will be many plans for definite work by the Unions during the near future in regard to enforcement of existing laws and some new laws desired. For this reason, it will be advisable for each Union to appoint a legislative committee.

All funds for the Temple should be sent to Miss Cornelia Dow, Portland, Me., who was selected by Miss Willard to act as custodian for the money secured by her, to be held until there was sufficient to retire the Temple trust bonds. All money received by her will be held until drawn by order of the national officers.

Invite all organizations to attend your institute. Be broad, generous and kind. Make your program so interesting that everybody will be instructed and desire to help.

## LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS

"As sweet and wholesome as her own piney woods," was Miss Willard's description of the woman who succeeds her. Mrs. Stevens was born in Dover, Maine. Her first public work was in the school room. At the age of twenty-one she married Mr. M. Stevens of Strondwater, a suburb of Portland. Her husband is in accord with her in her life work. Her only child is a woman of great promise—an ardent white ribboner—one of the superintendents of the Maine W.

## NEW MEMBERS.

Wabash Union—Mrs. Jas. Stiggleman, Mrs. Will Rector, Miss Annie Marks; Westville Union—Mrs. C. N. Stockbarger; Frankfort—Mrs. Squires, Mrs. Groves, Mrs. M. C. Clark; Albion—Mrs. Edith Poyser; Sheridan Union—Mrs. Mary Gause, Mrs. J. S. Vickery; Hoagland Union—Mrs. Nettie Hubler; South Bend Central Union—Mrs. North; LaFayette Union—Mrs. Bertha Biggs, Mrs. Inez Shriver, Mrs. Florence Mullen; Alton Union—Miss Mary J. Wilson; Monon Union—Mrs. Minnie McLucas, Mrs. S. J. Pierson, Miss Ethel Blair; St. Joe Union—Mrs. H. Clark; Logansport Union—Mrs. Alice Grawel; Wabash Union—Mrs. Chas. Flinn, Mrs. Emma Cleveland, Mrs. Enoch Small, Mrs. E. Wass; Greensburg Union—Mrs. Missouri Moberly, Mrs. Rebecca Scott, Mrs. John Terrell; Fairmount Union—Cassie Wiltzie, Lillian Wescoat, Mattie Wright, Mary Lindley, Ora Osborn, Alice Thomas, Sallie Oakley, Lydia Smith, Nettie Daugherty, Emma Scott, Rosa Seale.

Those of our subscribers who fail to receive the MESSAGE regularly are kindly requested to report the same to Mrs. Mary Sims, and the missing copies will be supplied as far as possible.

Hoagland Union reports good work being done. Memorial services were held.

Bluffton Union is doing fine work. The Six-Mile Union has recently joined them.

Ossian reports their drug store giving much trouble. A gambling den is getting quite a hold on their men and boys. We are glad that a W. C. T. U. holds forth at this place, and that both of these places are being investigated. Go on, dear sisters and the victory will be yours.

Mrs. Holcombe, of Lawrence County, reports they are doing all they can. "If we all do all we can, the Lord will take care of the rest."

Life is not living just for a day; Life is not dreaming all this short way; 'Tis helping your brothers to lighten the load; 'Tis living for others and trusting in God.—*Farm and Home.*

Mapleton Union is planning to give "Samantha at Saratoga" some time in the near future.

Please renew your clubs at once. The MESSAGE and Signal, \$1.10; to ministers, 75c.; single subscriptions, 35c.; in clubs of twelve or more, 25c. Do not forget to secure a club at your institute. Every member needs the State paper. Can a workman build a house without tools? Let us do our work well, as unto the Lord.

Many new clubs are coming in. Do not fail to secure the renewal of a single name or club. A Union can not afford it. If funds are not plenty, give a literature entertainment and put the Signal and MESSAGE into the hands of as many as possible.

Treasurers report will appear in May MESSAGE. Many counties have increased their membership. Receipts for this quarter's dues running far ahead of the corresponding quarter of last year.

MRS. A. T. WHITSON.  
Treasurer.

Miss Marie C. Brehm of Chicago, recently completed a very successful tour through our State giving us forty-seven days work. Total number of evening addresses given, 44. Day meetings held, 21. Visited and spoke in school rooms, 12 times. Number new members added,

125. To some of the counties she made the second visit and is engaged again for a week or more's work, each, some time this fall. Marion and Clinton counties have already been well written up in regard to her work. We can not speak too highly of her. Morgan county adds another tribute by saying, "Miss Brehm has been a wonderful help and inspiration to our Unions." "We expect more rapid growth on account of her work." She will attend their county

institute April 8-9, and will possibly return again in the fall. As a result of her work in Madison county, a new Union of fourteen members and a new Y of twenty members were added at Pendleton, the State Y secretary returning and organizing the Y later.

Mrs. Sears writes of her work in Anderson, "We cannot begin to tell the good Miss Brehm has done for our city. Her clear, concise and fearless and yet, withall, sweet christian spirit won the hearts of all." "There is a general uplift in thought in regard to temperance work. Five men stand pledged to give five dollars each to bring her back for another weeks work. Secretary Stevens of the Y. M. C. A. adds his testimony of appreciation of her address before that association. Miss Quinn, corresponding secretary of Elwood Union, writes: Miss Brehm is an orator, marshalling facts as general soldiers, and hurling them with tremendous power on her hearers. She began her week's work with a good audience and after one or two meetings spoke to full houses throughout her stay. In her address on the Telescope of Faith she urged the White Ribboners to more earnestness, especially in regard to the Scientific Temperance Instruction law. One evening she spoke with telling effect on Young People of the Bible. Voters were highly pleased with her address on "Everybody's Business."

On Sunday there was continued enthusiasm. Standing room was at a discount. Mrs. Quinn says: "Truly Miss Brehm is a woman of wonderful logical ability. No one hears her but feels that her plea for the abolition of the saloon and the house of shame and all their attending evils is founded upon truth and righteousness."

As the result of this week's work, one hundred and twenty-two signed the pledge, a new Union of fourteen members added, partial arrangements made for a Y, which has since been organized, and many new members secured for the old Union. The meetings were self-supporting throughout, money added to their treasury, and Miss Brehm engaged for another week's work when available. Elwood Union knows how to work, for it has just sent in a club for the MESSAGE, with more to follow.

On Sunday, February 27, Miss Brehm conducted a memorial service at Crown Point, Lake county, speaking three times that day. The next afternoon she spoke to women and in the evening gave an address on Franchise. She goes back to them again in the near future. Miss Brehm will be available for work in our State again in August and September. Any one desiring her services should make arrangements soon, for several weeks are already engaged.

## COUNTY INSTITUTES AND SPRING CONVENTIONS.

As per plan of State convention schedule dates were prepared and published in our February MESSAGE, and most of the counties accepted these dates. Work began in first, second and third sections March 14, and we again republish remaining dates.

Section One—Whitley, April 6 and 7; DeKalb, 8 and 9; Butler; Steuben, 11 and 12; Pleasant Lake; Noble, 13 and 14; Albion.

Section Two—Clinton, April 8 and 9; Mulberry; Howard, 11 and 12; Tipton, 13 and 14; Hamilton, 15 and 16; Madison, 18 and 19; Delaware, 20 and 21; Jay, 22 and 23; Adams, 25 and 26; Allen, 27 and 28; Wells, 29 and 30; Blackford, May 2 and 3; Grant, 4 and 5; Wabash, 6 and 7; Huntington, 9 and 10; Miami, 11 and 12.

Section Three—Marion, April 4 and 5; Indianapolis, Fellowship church, College avenue and 21st street; Monroe, 6 and 7; Brown, 8 and 9; Hancock, 11 and 12; Henry, 13 and 14; Randolph, 15 and 16; Wayne, 18 and 19; Fayette, 20 and 21; Union, 22 and 23; Franklin, 25 and 26; Rush, 27 and 28; Shelby, 29 and 30; Decatur, May 2 and 3; Bartholomew, 4 and 5; Morgan, 6 and 7; Johnson, 9 and 10.

Section Four—Lawrence, April 20 and 21; Martin, 22 and 23; Shoals; Daviess, 25 and 26; Pike, 27 and 28 at Petersburg; Knox, 28 and 29 at Freelandville; Gibson, May 2 and 3; Posey, 4 and 5; Vanderburg, 6 and 7; Warrick, 9 and 10; Dubois, 11 and 12; Spencer, 13 and 14 at Rockport; Perry, 16 and 17 at Tobinsport; Crawford, 18 and 19 at Alton; Harrison, 20 and 21; Floyd, 23 and 24 at New Albany; Clarke, 25 and 26 at Jeffersonville; Jefferson, 27 and 28; Switzerland, 30 and 31; Ohio, June 1 and 2; Dearborn, 3 and 4 at Dillsboro; Ripley, 6 and 7; Jennings, 8 and 9; Jackson, 10 and 11; Scott, 13 and 14; Orange, 15 and 16; Washington, 17 and 18.



C. T. U. Mrs. Stevens has opened her doors many times to God's homeless little ones. Within the last fifteen years nineteen children have at different times had a home with her. That speaks for the mother heart of the woman and her love of home, and one can understand why she has enlisted in white ribbon peaceful war to make homes happier in His name. We may all love and trust our national president as one endowed of God for her day and place.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

We feel so grateful for the work done in our county by Mrs. Cammack, that we are impelled to tell it to the MESSAGE. During fourteen days in which she visited six towns, she gave twelve lectures, talked in twenty-one school rooms, made fifty-two house visits and organized two new Unions, besides visiting the four old ones, and altogether increased our membership 111. May she be spared long to continue this seed-sowing, which must yield a harvest for righteousness.

ELIZABETH S. MOOR,  
Otterbein, Ind. Cor. Secretary Benton Co.

Mrs. Cammack has done great good in my county. She has aroused the women as no one else has ever done. She will be gladly welcomed here again.

Yours for the work,  
ELIZA F. BAKER.

Dear Sisters—Our Union has enjoyed a great feast, having with us Miss Marie Brehm. She conducted a parlor meeting January 24 in the home of our treasurer, Mrs. Heady, and gave us many words of encouragement. At night she gave a sermon at the M. E. church. It was the fourth week of revival services and at the close of the sermon five united with the church. The church was crowded, fifteen or twenty standing. We have had her with us three times and always feel she is a great benefit to our Union; we always gain members and feel strengthened. I advise all Unions to have Miss Brehm if they need stirring.

Broad Ripple.

Mrs. E. Harriet Howe, Montpelier, is now State superintendent of mothers' meetings. Please bear this in mind and address your communications concerning this department to her.

The department of non-alcoholic treatment in medicine was created, and Dr. Jesse Smith, of Wabash, made superintendent. The lady accepts the place.

Mrs. Prof. Pittenger, of Anderson, was chosen as superintendent of narcotics to fill Mrs. Calkins' place, who removed from Indiana to Michigan. [Mrs. Pittenger accepts the place and we hear she is at work already.—Ed.]

One secret of our success as workers together with God is, that each one does with their might what their hands find to do. Let us so continue. In this state there are eighteen hundred young men in the prisons. There are thousands of ruined young girls—and a great multitude of both are now on the broad road that leads to perdition. It is ours to show them their danger, and our first mission to teach the little ones where the first danger lies. It is ours to enlighten mothers, that all may join, not only in a crusade against the evils that allure our children, but to save them from such snares. Will each Union see that a county superintendent of mothers' meetings is appointed? Please report their names to me.

Let us distribute such literature as "An Appeal to Mothers," by Miss Willard; also her booklet "The Relation of Dress to Vice." There are other W. T. P. A. booklets—"Danger to our Girls," "Literature and Vice," "Predisposing Causes," "Some Legal Aspects of the Question," and many others that are vital with truth and awakening power. Hold at least one meeting each month. Use Mrs. Jessie Brown Hilton's "Suggestions for Mothers' Meetings," which I will send to each county superintendent when I get her address. Write to me often, I will gladly respond.

MRS. E. HARRIET HOWE.

I hope you all take the MESSAGE, and have seen the list of questions in the February number which will be the same I shall send out next August for report blank. Please everyone cut those out and use them as a guide to work by. Try and do something that you can answer to those questions. And don't forget the prize I have offered. Two dollar's worth of literature to the woman reporting the most work done. Every woman can ask ministers to preach a sermon

on cruelty to animals, or the sin of cruelty, or she can buy literature and distribute it, or have the laws of the State of Indiana relating to cruelty published, and distributed to drivers and others who do not know them. Or if she cannot do that send me ten, fifteen, or twenty cents and I will send her some. She can give literature to teachers, both Sunday school and day school, and to doctors on vivisection, or to ministers, urging on their attention the necessity of teaching kindness to all over whom they may have any influence. Or she can circulate the bird pledge and ask women to sign it, telling them at the time, of the terrible cruelty the wearing of birds and feathers involves. Then by all means never forget the Band of Mercy work. You can try to have them organized in schools, Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, Christian Endeavor societies or as individual societies. Talk up the work of the Mercy department at every county institute. If you have no superintendent to do it, get some woman who is interested to have a paper prepared on the work, and discuss it. Let me hear of plenty of superintendents appointed this spring and then let us work, and work earnestly.

I was rejoiced to see by our last MESSAGE that the L. T. Ls had taken up the Department of Mercy. It is just the place it is needed and may God speed the cause there, as elsewhere. Send me a shower of letters this month, dear superintendents, and let us help each other all we can.

Huntington, Ind.

MRS. LOU E. RALL.

## TO PEACEFUL SISTERS.

A few days ago a copy of the New York State W. C. T. U. minutes fell into my hands. I turned to the Peace and Arbitration department and there found a very interesting report—definite returns from about 30 counties were given—and the entire report gave evidence of such enthusiasm and such excellent work done that I beg room in the MESSAGE to say to my sister workers in this department, let us do likewise.

Sarah W. Collins, New York's efficient superintendent, seems to devise many ways and means, and to be a full believer in Neal Dow's motto, "Sow knee-deep in literature," and I find that she is recommending, as I have done, that Peace superintendents will circulate the little Peace paper, *The Messenger*, published by Daniel Hill, Richmond, Ind. Already, I think, she and her co-workers have sent in subscriptions for more than 200 copies, and she is asking the editor to give her terms by the thousand. Shall we not emulate this well-directed zeal?

I have, through the courtesy of the editor, sent copies of *The Messenger* to many county presidents, and will try to reach others, but would like to speak to all, if possible, through the MESSAGE, that we may not delay the work. Let us put this paper, or similar literature, in reading rooms, railway stations, barber shops, livery stables and wherever they are likely to be read, and the seed thus scattered will not fail to bring forth fruit. "The work of righteousness is peace."

Yours in that work,  
H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Superintendent Peace and Arbitration.

## ANDERSON (COLORED) UNION.

Organized March 10th by Mrs. Allie Anderson. Thirteen members and one honorary. Mrs. Lizzie Wright, president; Miss Mercie Boils, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Emma Jones, recording secretary; Mrs. Terry, treasurer; all of Anderson.

## L. T. T. BAND.

Read this carefully.

All counties not having a secretary of L. T. L. work be sure to appoint one at your spring conventions and report the name to me.

Kokomo Legion has paid dues for fifty-six members. Who will beat it and get the prize banner at LaFayette? Remember, the greatest amount over five dollars secures it.

The State Convention will be held at Acton Park, August 3d. Arrange your graduating classes accordingly and plan to be there.

I have reports from two Legions who will have graduates this year. Let us hear from others. We ought to have a large class. Try to make it 100.

Each local Legion, see that you have an agent for the *Young Crusader*, and send the name to Frank Watson, Argos, Ind., State agent.

We should be very diligent in service for this our official organ, whereby much good may be accomplished. A senior department has been added and the entire paper is valuable.

God, help us to work with all energy "For God, and Home, and Native Land"

AMANDA R. GORDON.

Dear Co-workers—The Press of Indiana has kindly and freely donated to the W. C. T. U. many columns of space, which if paid for at advertising rates would be worth thousands of dollars. We believe this to have been of unmeasurable value in carrying on our great work. How many Unions are willing to show their appreciation of this kindness by presenting the editors with yearly subscriptions to *Union Signal* and *MESSAGE*? This can be done by Unions or counties. Clinton county supplies three offices and one of the South Bend Unions supplies its editors with *Union Signals*. Who else will try this plan? I recommend that in cities where more than one paper is published a press superintendent for each paper be appointed by each Union. This divides up the work, gives variety to published reports and develops women. Try it. The plan works nicely in Frankfort. The following counties have reported having county press superin-

tendents: Bartholomew, Benton, Blackford, Boone, Cass, Clay, Clinton, DeKalb, Delaware, Elkhart, Hamilton, Howard, Jay, Knox, LaPorte, Madison, Marshall, Marion, Noble, Tippecanoe, Vigo, Vermillion and Washington and there are others. Please send in your name at once. Yours for service,

FLORENCE E. VANCE,  
State Superintendent Press Department.

W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE, 1898

"Salus populi Suprema est. lex."

PROGRAM.

- 10:00. Devotional, by President of Local Union.  
10:15. Organization of Institute.  
10:30. Bible Reading, "Christian Citizenship," conducted by Leader of Institute.  
11:15. Our Literature Department—Books, Leaflets, Periodicals, etc. Instruction by State, County or Local Superintendent of Literature. Discussion and subscription to periodicals.  
11:50. Announcements. Miscellaneous Business.  
12:00. Music. Noonday hour.

AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Devotion, Prayer and Praise Service, conducted by State, County or Local Superintendent of Evangelistic Department.  
2:20. Indiana's Plan of Work considered in talks or papers of four minutes each.  
1. Organization, by.....  
2. L. T. L. and Y. Work, by.....  
3. Department Plan, Life Membership, Finance, etc., by.....  
4. Stirring Campaign, by.....  
5. Normal Institute, by.....  
6. Red Letter Days, by.....  
Discussion by the Leader and others  
3:00. Legislative Work—Shall Indiana have Equal Suffrage in this Century?  
To answer—State Superintendent of Suffrage or Institute Leader.  
Discussion by Rev....., Prof....., Att., ..... and others.  
Music. Prayer.  
4:00. Ten minutes' Parliamentary Drill by the Leader.  
4:10. Sabbath Observance—What do we understand it to mean specifically?  
Ten minutes' instruction by State, Local or County Superintendent of the Department.  
Discussion.  
4:25. Announcements  
Music.  
Benediction.  
4:30. Adjournment.

EVENING.

- 7:30. Devotion, conducted by County President.  
7:45. Address or Symposium, by National or State Worker.

SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotion, conducted by.....  
9:15. Organizations of Women—Their Relation to One Another and to the Needs of Our Day; Literary and Social Clubs, Church, Aid societies, Relief corps, Branch organizations of secret societies, Foreign Mission Societies, W. C. T. Unions, Women's Councils, etc.  
Symposium by three members, each treating the subject, as a whole, in eight minutes.  
Discussion by the county W. C. T. U. executive, led by the President.  
10:00. A Few Things Accomplished. What Next? A Short Talk by the Leader.  
10:15. Preventive and Educational Measures more Humane and Economical than Reform.  
The following divisions of the subject each to be given in ten minutes:  
1. The Curfew vs. Police Court, Jail, etc., by....  
2. An Industrial Training vs. Rescue Work, by.....  
3. No License Ballot vs. Gold Cure, License Laws, Regulation and Rum, by.....  
General Discussion led by Rev.....  
11:15. Narcotic Poisons—Indiana's Legislation against them and its Enforcement.  
Presented by State Superintendents of the Departments or their Substitutes. Discussion by  
11:40. Stray Leaves of Current Events, Questions, Points for Practice, Praise.  
12:00. Music.  
Noontide prayer.  
Adjournment.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Semi-annual County Convention as arranged by County W. C. T. U. Executive.

EVENING—SUFFRAGE CONTEST.

Subjects for Evening Meetings:

1. The Legal Status of Woman.  
2. A Greater Benefactor than the Good Samaritan.  
3. "If ye Know \* \* \* \* to Do."  
4. The Emergency and Its Answer.  
Profit and Loss. The Mark of the Beast.

MARY HADLEY,  
Bloomington, Ind. Superintendent.

Mrs. Ada B. Leck resigned the department of fairs, and Mrs. Lizzie Hann, 2129 College avenue, Indianapolis, was selected to take the place. [Mrs. Hann does not accept.—Ed.]



# SUPPLEMENT.

## A TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF JOSEPHINE R. NICHOLS.

Gone from our side, where once she stood,  
Battling with sin and wrong,  
Ah! we shall miss her cheerful word,  
And courage ever strong;  
We follow her across the flood,  
With wistful gaze and long.

We see her on the other shore,  
Clad in her robes of white,  
Walking with loved ones gone before,  
In everlasting light;  
A victor crowned, forevermore,  
From out this earthly light.

No more perplexity or strife,  
No more disease or pain,  
Nor rude inharmonies of life,  
Will mar her peace again;  
No more shall sighs her bosom heave,  
Nor tears her eyelids stain.

Our sister dear, with many a tear,  
We yield thee up to heaven,—  
The tie that bound our spirits here,  
Can not, by death, be riven;  
May in thy victory a share  
To each of us be given.

In loving memory,  
Meridian W. C. T. U.

## OUR LEADER, SISTER ALD COMRADE PROMOTED.

Josephine Ralston Nichols wife of Edwin Nichols, fell asleep at the family home, No. 566 North Illinois St., Indianapolis, April 9th, 10:20 a. m., and was laid to rest in Crown Hill Cemetery, April 10th. The services were private. The State W. C. T. U. were present in a floral token which Mrs. Amanda Whitson presented for the many white ribboners who love her in the life beyond as they loved her here. It was a very pitiful little thing to do for such a great soul, and yet it was all they could do.

Mrs. Nichols was fully conscious of her condition. Made her arrangements for the time of her departure calmly, and then fell asleep a half hour before she breathed her last, and the pain racked body ceased to suffer.

Her maiden name was Josephine Ralston Davis. She was born at Maysville, Ky., 1837. Her education was obtained at the Maysville Academy, and later at the Science Hill Seminary, Cincinnati, where General Grant at one time went to school. The mother died when Josephine was a young girl, and the orphan went to live with her aunt, a Mrs. Parker, at Ripley, O. In 1855-56 she taught school at Batavia, O., and in 1857, while visiting a brother, a practicing physician at Paris, Ill., she met Edwin Nichols, whom she married in 1858. Some years later she made a local reputation through occasional contributions to newspapers, and in 1873 she appeared on the lecture platform, with two lectures that attracted much attention. The subject of one of these was "Boys" and the other "Girls," both of which have been repeated in this city and elsewhere in recent years. In 1880 she and her husband removed to Indianapolis, where they have since made their home.

Previous to coming to this city Mrs. Nichols had taken great interest in woman's suffrage and in the cause of temperance, and had spoken in public on both subjects. In her youth she had joined the Methodist church, but while living in Paris she joined the Protestant Episcopal church, and on coming to this city became a member of Christ church, in which she remained until her death. She was presiding officer of the central deanery for years, and was also president of the woman's auxiliary of the church. For several years she was president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for Indiana, but was at last compelled to resign the position because of continuing ill health.

In 1889 she went as the delegate from the United States to represent the W. C. T. U. at Paris, France, and was made superintendent of the W. C. T. U. department at the Universal Exposition. Her work at that time gave great encouragement to the cause everywhere.

While in Paris she casually met an eminent French surgeon, who, upon learning that she was from the United States and from Indianapolis, said:

"I read some time ago of a remarkable surgical operation that was performed in that city by a Dr. Harvey; it was a very wonderful operation." "Yes," said Mrs. Nichols, "and what is more strange, I am the very person upon whom the operation was made."

After her return from Paris she delivered a lecture on her experiences there. The lecture was illustrated with stereoptican views, and Mrs. Nichols was in request from many States and delivered this lecture many times. She was elected as world's superintendent of fairs, and represented the organization not only at Paris, but at New Orleans, and in 1893 at the World's Fair at Chicago. One of the last positions held by her was in the local Council of Women of this city in 1895-'96.

Her husband and four children survive her. The children are Benjamin O. Nichols, of this city, now engaged in coffee-raising at Coatzacoalcas, Vera Cruz, Mexico; Mrs. Hannah M. Ripley, Kenton, O.; George M. and John T. Nichols, of this city, the last named being a student at Purdue University. She also has one surviving brother—Richard L. Davis, of Lima, O.

It is with hearts burdened with a sense of irreparable loss that we announce the death of our World's and National superintendent of fairs. Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols passed away April 8th, at her home in Indianapolis, after a painful illness of over a year. When the woman's crusade began Mrs. Nichols entered into the movement with all the enthusiasm of her nature, and from that time until shut in by sickness her voice and pen were ever active in white-ribbon service in America and Europe, her work for the W. C. T. U. at the New Orleans, Paris and Columbian Expositions having added immensely to the prestige of our organization throughout the world. Mrs. Nichols was one of the brightest, cheeriest personalities we ever knew. Winning in appearance, original in thought and graceful in delivery, she was one of the most popular W. C. T. U. orators in the field. Her promotion has left a gap in our ranks which it will be difficult to fill.—*Union Signal*.

## A FRIEND GONE.

One of Hendricks County's illustrious citizens, a scholar, traveler and speaker, in the person of Addison Coffin died April 16th, at the home of his only living daughter, at Amo, after suffering with pneumonia for several days. His son Trenmore Coffin who is in business in Carson City, Nevada, could not be present in his father's last hours. Our deceased friend was born in 1822 at New Garden, North Carolina, known now as Guilford College. His remains rest in Hadley Burying Ground, near the Hadley Industrial School.

## NOTHING IMPOSSIBLE FOR INDIANA EITHER.

Those who had the pleasure of attending the National W. C. T. U. Convention at St. Louis last fall will never forget the wave of enthusiasm that passed over that vast audience, when the inspiring motto, "Nothing impossible for St. Louis" was drawn from its hiding place and stretched entirely across that immense platform.

If I did not believe that Indiana has as loyal, true-hearted and enthusiastic women as St. Louis I would not send out this article to you.

In 1892, the present W. C. T. U. cottage was built on the new State Fair Grounds. Ten dollar notes were issued at that time for the payment of the same. These notes were taken by our own W. C. T. U. women, many of which have already been paid by receipts from Fair Cottage during the Fairs. Others remain unpaid and are long past due. These dear sisters have waited long and patiently and are now urging that these pledges be met at once.

This is not impossible for Indiana. I believe it can be a very pleasant affair by each county preparing and sending to the State Fair in September, a Temperance Autograph quilt, for an exhibit in a W. C. T. U. Booth in the Woman's Building. For this, secure as many names as possible for each block, charging ten cents a name. Embroider the names upon red or blue calico or upon white muslin.

Go to your business men, ask them to take an entire block, placing upon it a pretty design representing the business engaged in, securing from them the entire price of the block. If one man does not take an entire block, give it to two or three.

Each Union in the county might be responsible for one or more blocks in the quilt; one or more of which may be representative blocks, containing the name of the Union and names of all its members.

Let each block represent one dollar or more. The quilts to be exhibited in the Woman's Building and be subject to the premiums awarded by the State Fair Board for the handsomest quilt.

Aside from the premiums which may be awarded by the State Fair Board, a premium of five dollars in gold will be given to the county sending in the most money. To the county sending in the second largest amount, two dollars and a half in gold, and for the third largest amount, one dollar in gold.

Let every Union go to work with great enthusiasm and make the hearts of our patient sisters, who loaned this money, glad, by paying off all the Fair Cottage notes. It need not be a burden to any one but a profit and a pleasure. Get your quilts ready and let us make the W. C. T. U. booth the most attractive one in the Woman's Building.

There was great rejoicing at our last State Convention when our State Treasurer stated that the debt aside from the affiliated interests was entirely paid off. Let us go to our next State convention with hearts filled with praise that this is also a thing of the past. With this debt wiped out, and with the financial ability of our efficient State Fair Sup't, Mrs. Ada N. Leck, we hope not only to be able to distribute many more thousand pages of literature through the Booth and Fair Cottage, but to add to the funds of the State Treasury. We can do it, for nothing is impossible for Indiana.

The Union or county sending a quilt may use their own pleasure in regard to the kind of material used, but let each block represent one dollar or more. We hope it may be more. Let every one lift a little and the notes will all be lifted. All quilts exhibited in the W. C. T. U. booth must be quilts the proceeds of which will go to this fund.

Other fancy articles which will add to the attractiveness of the booth are very desirable, but no premium will be awarded by the W. C. T. U. for any other article except the quilts. All quilts to be sent to the State Fair Superintendent, Mrs. Ada N. Leck, 901 N. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis. All money to be sent to State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 1745 North Meridian St., Indianapolis. Money and all articles should be sent by the first of September not October, as per mistake of former article.

Watch the MESSAGE for further notice concerning State Fair work.

Yours in loving service,  
AMANDA T. WAITSON,  
State Treasurer.

## PORTER COUNTY.

Mrs. Cranmer was with us the fifth inst., and favored us with one evening's lecture. It was a treat we seldom enjoy and by far the best lecture ever listened to in our town from any woman. Her subject was "Christian Citizenship." We wish every Union in N. Indiana could employ her to enlighten them in the work and strengthen their forces.

ELIZABETH RICE,  
Sec'y.

## HEBRON W. C. T. U.

In God's Providence our sister, Mrs. Jane Simpson, has been called to mourning by the death of her husband, and as we are told to weep with those that weep as well as to rejoice with those that do rejoice, we would desire to express our love and sympathy with our sister in her sorrow. She is left with a large family but they mourn not as those that have no hope.

COMMITTEE.

## CHARITY COMMITTEE.

The charity committee of the W. C. T. U. realizing more time and a suitable room were necessary to carry on their work successfully and systematically, decided to secure a room where all donations could be sent, and keep such room one day each



week. The First National Bank Co. generously donated the use of a room over the bank and it was known as the "Relief Room." A committee in charge each week received and distributed articles of clothing, bedding, groceries and provisions. The committee received from charity entertainment in November \$37.34; individual donations, \$2.25; proceeds from music box, \$4.90; provision from one firm, \$5.00. A big reduction in prices on all purchases, dry goods, groceries and medicines; 500 bushels of coal from the Jewish congregation; 200 from Elks Lodge; 100 from four gentlemen and all advertising free. The Relief Room was kept open from Nov. 20th till March 1st. We have responded to every call for aid and made many calls upon the sick, and supplied every want made known to us as far as lay in our power. We still have a little coal and \$12.50 on hand.

Mrs. E. M. SPENCER,  
Ch. Com.

#### MADISON COUNTY.

Madison County spring Convention and School of Methods was held April 8th and 9th, at Anderson, at the Presbyterian church.

The afternoon of the 8th was entirely devoted to business. The evening of the 8th, devotional. A symposium by County and local Presidents. Subject, "The legal status of women." Very interesting indeed.

Our Institute opened April 9th, at 9:30 a. m.

Devotional exercises by Mrs. Pamela Wilson, of Ingals. On motion of Mrs. Kilmer, the minutes be made a special matter of business at opening of afternoon session.

Mrs. Kilmer moved that Retta Jones be chairman of our Institute. Miss Belle Mattox was made enrolling secretary, and Mrs. Kilmer, recording secretary.

Discussion, "The six essentials of a live and successful Union." 1. Promptness. Many fine speeches. 2. Live and interested members. A very lively discussion much enjoyed by all. 3. Work. All agreed on the importance of working members. 4. Workers. Very good remarks. 5. Good officers. Fully discussed. 6. Studious members. Most carefully discussed and many fine and instructive remarks.

Next, the special needs of prompt and systematic local reports. Many good points brought out and much good advice given.

Our State paper. Was proven beyond doubt that all need our organ of communication. Miss Clare Sears, our Y president, succeeded in getting a large club. So many will now be reading our MESSAGE and some the "Signal."

Noontide prayer.

Afternoon session opened at 2:15 o'clock. Devotional by Mrs. Olivia Corbett, of Alexandria.

Most interesting were the following discussions:

1. Duties of Officers and Members.
2. Rights and privileges of same.
3. A definite plan of work.
4. Our house beautiful. Our Hadley Home. Paper by Mrs. Anna Kilmer, followed by a discussion of same.
5. Practical plans for its support.
6. A department fund.
7. W. C. T. U. catechism. Anxious for information was the general cry.
8. Parliamentary law.
9. Encouraging features in our work.
10. Question Box.

The evening was devoted to a contest. Prize, a bouquet of flowers. Miss Gertrude Judd won the prize. A very instructive contest. The Principals of Prohibition most forcibly recited.

All went home feeling we had had a most pleasant and instructive Convention and Institute.

ANNA KILMER, Sec.

(It seems to me I must add this significant fact. Seven Unions in the county all represented in the Convention. One thing more, Stirring Campaign, and Nothing Impossible for Indiana, adopted. A new Union planned, a club for the MESSAGE taken, etc. Heaven will bless the working Unions.—Ed.)

#### LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

DEAR SISTERS:—Your new Superintendent of Literature comes into her office late in the year and we only have six months to work before our State Convention. Still with the Lord on our side and the work of County and Local Superintendents, combined with the earnest endeavor of each member of the W. C. T. U., much can be accomplished.

I desire a complete directory of the Literature Superintendents of our State. Will each County

Superintendent send me her name and address, and the names and addresses of their local Sup'ts. Please do this immediately.

For counties that have no Sup't of Literature will the County President appoint one right away. Local President appoint a local Sup't and send name and address. This is very necessary as the temperance thought can not be sown without a sower. Superintendents try to realize the importance of your branch of this great reform and go to work earnestly and prayerfully, and by no means fail to send me your name and address.

I will give a brief outline of my plan of work. Each local Sup't have a blank book wherein to keep the number of pages of literature distributed by each individual member, each member to report to their Sup't at every business meeting. Report blanks will be sent to each County Sup't in September. She will send blanks to Local Sup'ts., these to be returned to her, and a report of all to be sent to me in time for my report to the State Convention. I will send a fund card to each County and Local Sup't by which she can solicit contributions for her department, half to be kept at home and half sent to me, that I may supply you with samples of literature; half I receive will be sent to the National. Will not all Sup'ts take up this work? It will help greatly.

I am desirous that each Union have a number of copies of the Annual Leaflet. It is a W. C. T. U. educator and should be in the hands of all new members and those who are not familiar with the work. Wide awake active members in the Unions are those who read the *Union Signal* and the *MESSAGE*. Superintendents should try to get every member to take these papers. Persuade your Unions to furnish money to supply all schools with temperance literature, especially the "Physiology Journal." Persuade Sunday-school Superintendents to place temperance books in the libraries. Please answer all communications promptly. Study the plan of work with earnestness, and a personal responsibility realized, we will go onward to victory.

Questions to be answered by Literature Superintendents at the close of the year.

1. How many *Union Signals* taken in County?
2. How many of *THE MESSAGE*?
3. How many ministers furnished with the National and State organs?
4. How many *Young Crusaders* taken in county?
5. How many copies of State minutes?
6. How many copies of Annual Leaflets distributed?
7. Have you appointed an agent for the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association for each Union in your county?
8. Do you see to it that each Local Sup't of Literature has a catalogue of leaflets published by the W. T. P. A.
9. Do you keep temperance literature in post-offices, barber shops, depots, public libraries and all public places.
10. Do you distribute literature at County Fairs and public gatherings.
11. How many pages of literature distributed?
12. How much money expended for literature?

GEORGIANA MOSER, State Sup't.

Loogootee, Ind.

#### ANOTHER COUNTY HEARD FROM.

The Wabash County W. C. T. U., under the leadership of Mrs. Baker, of N. Manchester, has just held a most profitable Normal Institute at Wabash. This was preceded by a reception given in the elegant parlor of Mrs. E. E. Kennedy. A program, consisting of short, bright talks, recitations and readings, with delightful vocal and instrumental music, was presented. The meeting was in the interest of the Franchise Department. The arguments in favor of equal suffrage were convincing and unanswerable. Mrs. Cranmer, of South Dakota, was in attendance. At the close of the exercises an elegant lunch was served. The delegates and members remained with Mrs. Kennedy till the hour for the evening lecture. This was held in the Methodist church. A large audience greeted Mrs. Cranmer and listened with delighted interest to an address on "Christian Citizenship." The W. C. T. U. of Wabash County most heartily endorse Mrs. Cranmer, and commend her to the Unions of the State. On Thursday an all day session was held. The work was practical. Good plans were suggested. Discussions were general, fully ninety-five per cent, of the members taking part. Mrs. Jenkins, of Kansas City was present and added to the pleasure and profit of the meeting. Wabash County is wide awake and her Unions are increasing in membership. A medal contest is to be held in Wabash next week.

MRS. M. H. KIDD.

#### DEPARTMENT OF NARCOTICS.

DEAR SISTERS:—My article in the *Phalanx* of April 1st, gave the Constitution for Anti-Tobacco League. For those who prefer a shorter form we would recommend the following.

#### PLEDGE.

We, the undersigned, do hereby promise not to use tobacco in any form and to use our influence to induce other boys to give up and abstain from its use.

By signing our names to this pledge, we constitute ourselves members of the Anti-Tobacco League.

Mrs. Cammack, with her charts, is prepared to address the children in the public schools, and to organize Leagues under the control of the teachers.

Our new anti-cigarette law will not enforce itself. Please give each member of your union a special section of town or city in which she is to see that the law is enforced. I can furnish you the Anti-Cigarette Law leaflet at ten cents a hundred. Distribute them generously to dealers and people, not only in public meetings but on the street and in business rooms.

I expect to publish a pamphlet of Narcotic Recitations for contests to sell at five cents each. It is endorsed by Mrs. Balch, and three of the State officers will contribute an article. Please send in your orders. Yours for work,

FANNIE B. CALKINS,  
Sup't of Narcotics.

Portland, Ind.

#### PRIZES FOR SCHOOLS.

The Lafayette Union have offered a number of prizes to the schools of Tippecanoe county, as follows: The pupils of the public schools are invited to consider the following prizes, offered by the Lafayette Woman's Christian Temperance Union: For the best original essay on "Evil Effects of Alcohol on the Human System," first prize, \$10; second, \$5; third, \$3. For the best scrap book, by any pupil below the high school grade, first prize, \$5; second, \$3; third, \$2. For the best scrap book, made by children below the 7th grade, first prize, \$4; second prize, \$2; third prize, \$1. These books must not be less than 10x12 inches in size, and contain 20 or more leaves, one-third space allowable for illustrations. Contents must relate wholly to temperance and narcotics. Essays and scrap books must be completed by March 30. Competent judges will award the prizes, and they will be presented at a public meeting. Further notice hereafter. Inquiries may be addressed to Mrs. L. R. Kieffer, West Lafayette, or Salisbury St.; Mrs. A. E. Woodward, Lafayette, 14th and Howell Sts.

#### SHALL WOMEN VOTE? WHAT THEY WILL—THEY DO.

Parke county has just demonstrated this in balloting for equal suffrage.

The local Unions at Bloomingsdale asked the town to vote and it did so. Rockwood, Tangier and Coloma promptly followed the example. The count showed the principle of equal suffrage to be elected by more than a three-fourths vote.

Some who had declared that they had no opinion on the question developed one and thus some notable conversions have been made. Others have been set to thinking on the question of a "Whole Humanity" and will no doubt at least be able to decide it has come to stay.

The record of names made by the polling clerks will be carefully preserved as it marks an epoch in the history of Parke County. A glance at the columns shows them to represent the most intelligent and enterprising people of their respective towns and naturally the advanced thought of each. Men, women and children were eligible to vote, those under 21 years of age paid one penny each for the privilege and those 21 or over, 5 cents each. The net proceeds will go to the Hadley Industrial School.

The Australian ballot system with the amendments of our late legislature, was used.

On the evening of election day in Bloomingsdale, Rev. Mattie O. Commack, gave an address on "The Legal Status of Women."

Her happy impromptu effort completely captured our people who are notably hard to please. Our Institute program was well carried out. We urge other counties to try balloting for equal suffrage. Any one wishing a sample of our ballot and election notice can have them by writing Mrs. Jennie H. Newlin, Bloomingsdale, Ind. Please enclose a stamp.

Pres. Park Co. W. C. T. U.



## EXTRACT OF EXECUTIVE MINUTES.

Executive committee met in Anderson, March 8, 1 p. m. In connection with the devotions the memorial exercises held throughout the State for our beloved Miss Willard was referred to with tender heart-felt emotions, and much good had been realized by these services.

Members of the executive responded at roll call with the achievements in their counties. Many new members have been secured, L. T. Ls organized, and Y branches established and a general uplifting has been experienced over the state since state convention.

Mrs. Balch moved the adoption of the beautiful resolution following:

We praise God for the beautiful life hid in Christ and the triumphant death of our most tenderly and well beloved, Frances E. Willard. Therefore resolved, that we promise according to our several opportunities and abilities to shape our lives after the same pattern, and to do our best under God to live the glorious principles for which she gave her life, and to persuade others to accept and do the same. Then the righteousness she wrought will shine more and more until the perfect day, continually winning souls for the kingdom of our Christ. The greatness of her mind, the graces of her person, the opportunities of her life, were all made to count for the gracious Saviour who died on Calvary for every sin burdened soul. Can we do less?

Mrs. McWhirter read a most earnest appeal from our national officers to increase our membership as a worthy memorial to our leader, Miss Willard.

Moved by Miss Hadley, that a committee from this executive be appointed to prepare a suggestive or outline programme for the Frances E. Willard memorial services for the use of local and county Unions, and forward to each Union a communication setting forth the wishes of the national and state officers. Motion prevailed. The following committee was appointed by the chair: Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Geary, Mrs. Toner, Mrs. Kidd and by the suggestion of Miss Hadley, Mrs. McWhirter was added to the committee.

The following form to the General Assembly of Indiana in '99 was read.

We, the undersigned citizens of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ county, in the State of Indiana, pray the proposal and passage by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana at its session in the year 1899 of an amendment to Section 2, Art. 11, of the Constitution of the State of Indiana, striking out the word male therein.

Names. Address

Moved by Mrs. Tompkins, that this mid-year Executive meeting indorse the franchise petition, introduced by our State president, and cause it to be published in the next issue of the MESSAGE for educational purposes, and that each Union in the State prepare two copies—one for the Senate and one for the House—and each Union appoint two women to circulate the petition and begin the work at once.

Mrs. Balch offered the following resolution:

That in adult suffrage contest classes the second best receive, as a prize, a copy of the MESSAGE from the State W. C. T. U., and in the young people's classes Unions be urged to use the *Young Crusader*, as a prize, for second best.

Motion carried.

The following resolution of thanks was indorsed by the committee:

Editors of the *Voice*, The Indiana W. C. T. U., in its annual mid-year Executive Committee meeting, extend to you their appreciation of your efforts to purify college towns from rum and brothels, and assure you that the stir you have made will cause wise parents and guardians to make careful inquiry before sending their young people to institutions of learning, and they certainly prefer those institutions that are awake to these evils and alive to the protection of their students. We beg you to continue righteous disclosure. Let on the light.

Resolved, That Indiana Unions will not consider any one for the responsible place of Superintendent of Literature as W. T. P. A. agent who does not take the *Union Signal* and the MESSAGE.

Motion prevailed.

Resolved, That as many as can, consider Mrs. Whitson's Marion county plan, and add it to the State franchise plan, viz: Contestants under 20 years of age, prepare their own articles for contest, a prize of \$2.00 more or less to be given to the winner. Each local contestant securing the prize, to be selected for a county contest, and the best in all the counties to be chosen for a state contest, the best articles to be sent to the National Superintendent of Franchise, to be made into leaflets.

The departments of Narcotics and Fair Work being vacant, the following persons were appointed to fill them: Mrs. Pauline Pittenger, of Anderson, superintendent of Narcotics, and Mrs. Hann, of Indianapolis, superintendent of Fair Work.

The following resolution, by Mrs. Curtis, was endorsed by the committee: Lady Henry Somerset has been so maligned and misrepresented, because not understood, therefore, we, the executive officers of the State of Indiana, now in session, do hereby express our love and sympathy and pledge to her our unswerving loyalty as our World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union leader.

By motion the department of Non-alcoholics in Medicine was created and Mrs. Dr. Jessup Smith, of Wabash, was appointed as superintendent.

The fact of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana in its corporate existence and that of the corporate organization of the Organizer Publishing Co both using the state seal of Indiana W. C. T. U. was considered, and it was decided that each have their separate seal.

The question of admitting colored children into our

industrial school claimed the attention of the committee, and the vote was largely in favor of doing so.

The committee voted to invite Mrs. Bullock and her daughter into our State for September. It is possible that the time may be extended. Allen, Tippecanoe, Decatur and Martin counties have each taken a week.

Over 700 copies of the memorial number of the *Union Signal* for Miss Willard was ordered.

In consideration of the evils connected with college life, it was considered wise to protest against such evils in our own state institutions.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK,  
Recording Secretary.

## A CALL TO PRAYER APRIL 8.

The importance of the following official leads us to give it place on the editorial pages:

Frances Willard, our beloved leader, is at home with God. While we rejoice at thought of her victory and crown of glory, the shadow of an inexpressible sorrow is upon our hearts. The great work from which her strong, true hand is taken must not suffer. Instinctively, we turn our tearful faces to heaven. Believing that all hearts will respond to the call for a day of prayer, and as superintendent of the evangelistic department, I summon our white-ribboners in all the local unions to set apart Friday, April 8, 1898, as a day of special prayer and consecration.

On this Good Friday, which celebrates the supreme event of history, let us gather about the cross of the world's Redeemer in universal and united prayer for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, so sorely bereft, and in earnest consecration of ourselves to the work for which our leader gave her life, remembering that "the true cross of the Redeemer was the sin and sorrow of the world."

## PROGRAM FOR LOCAL UNIONS.

FIRST DIVISION: From 11 to 12:30 A. M.

Subject—Around the Cross.

Keynote—Self-Sacrifice.

Scripture Lesson—Luke 23: 32-47.

Hymns—Coronation, page 162 (White-Ribbon Hymnal); Rock of Ages, page 162; While the Days are going by, page 133.

Thought Outline—The old, old story that never wears out. That all our joys and sorrows, our sins and conflicts, our defeats, our aspirations for better things; when calamity crashes into our hopes, and we close the eyes of those dearer than life—these remind us that we are in the hands of Him who is the "life and light of men;" that "His sacrifice is done over again in every life which is lived not to self, but to God."

SECOND DIVISION: 1:30 to 3 P. M.

Subject—Praise and Prayer.

Scripture Lesson—Psalm 121; John 14

Hymns—Gently, Lord, oh, gently lead us, page 92; Blest be the tie, page 115; On heights of power, page 16.

Outline—Praise for the gift of our loved, and now sainted leader. For what she was in character, to the world, to our W. C. T. U., to our individual and stricken hearts. Praise for the rest and reward which are now hers in the Homeland, with her loved ones.

Prayer for strength and comfort in this time of universal bereavement, for our great cause, for divine wisdom, for baptism of love which shall unite our hearts and renew our zeal and courage.

Prayer for our World's and National leaders, and for white-ribboners everywhere.

THIRD DIVISION: 3 to 4:30 P. M.

Subject—Courage.

Scripture Lessons—The Fear Not, Joshua 1; Isaiah 35, etc.

Hymns—Our Cause, page 35; How Firm a Foundation, page 85; Give to the Winds Thy Fears, page 107.

Keynote—"Be strong and of good courage. Be not dismayed. For the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."—Joshua 1: 9.

ELIZABETH W. GREENWOOD,  
World's and National Evangelistic Supt.

We earnestly endorse the above call

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.

KATHARINE LENTE STEVENSON.

## FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICERS.

Dear Sisters—Your general officers have taken counsel of those most competent to advise regarding a suitable memorial to the memory of our great leader—Frances E. Willard. It seems to be the best judgment of all whom we have consulted that, inasmuch as the Temple has already been erected and is so closely connected with her name and that of the W. C. T. U., we can not do better than to unite in a supreme effort to raise, by subscriptions from people of wealth, the sum necessary for its purchase. We are encouraged to make this endeavor because of letters which have come to us from all parts of the country urging the plan. Newspapers have also expressed an interest in the project and prominent individuals have visited us with the same suggestion. It surely seems as if the signs indicate that the time is ripe for such an action.

We propose to carry out Miss Willard's original plan and to enlarge upon it so far as possible. To this end a committee of representative citizens, both men and women, is to be appointed in Chicago, whose purpose it will be to secure subscriptions for Miss Willard's memorial. The sums raised will be placed in the hands of some one designated by the committee, to be held until the aggregate local sum shall be placed in the hands of Miss Dow, the custodian designated by Miss Willard herself. This money can be drawn out of the bank, where it will be placed by Miss Dow immediately upon receipt, only on the order

of the general officers of the National W. C. T. U., and is to be subscribed with the distinct understanding that if, by the next National Convention, it is clearly seen that the plan of owning the Temple is not a feasible one, the money shall be used for another suitable memorial, the nature of which will be hereafter decided.

We are very desirous that such committees shall be appointed in every city, and that in smaller towns a committee for house to house visitation may be organized for the same purpose. We call upon you, therefore, to aid us in this endeavor, and, if possible, to place the matter at once in the hands of men and women of position and influence throughout your entire territory. By this method great sums have been raised to erect many costly monuments to the honored dead of our Nation, and surely none was ever more deserving of the honor than Frances Willard. But her memorial should be something other than a mere monument of marble or bronze. It should be symbolic of her life of ceaseless activity, and should express in visible, practical form, her thought and work for humanity. \* \* \* \* \*

It may be well at this point to call your attention to the fact that Miss Willard distinctly stated that her work for the Temple should not extend beyond the National Convention of 1898, and that she felt that if the money should not be raised by that time, a further effort would be futile. If this was her thought how much more is it ours under the present changed conditions? If the hearts of the people are ever to be inclined towards this enterprise, it must be now when they are tender from a sense of our infinite loss. Immediate action is important. The days and even the hours are precious. We should have sent this letter immediately upon Miss Willard's death, but have been obliged to wait for advice.

We earnestly hope that, whatever may have been your previous point of vision, you will unite with us now in an heroic effort to raise the sum necessary for a suitable memorial for our beloved leader. We hold ourselves in readiness to answer questions concerning any points in this letter which may not be clearly apparent on first reading. Hoping for a cordial response, we are very sincerely yours,

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
Acting President.  
KATHARINE L. STEVENSON,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE

To L. T. L. work and workers. Every graduate of an L. T. L., even if they are not meeting with an L. T. L. now, or live where there is none, is a member of the Indiana L. T. L. organization and are expected to pay a 25 cent membership fee, and unless they do pay this fee they can not vote in the annual convention of the organization. Any graduate can have his name dropped from the roll, but surely no one would ask such a discourtesy to be shown their name and memory. Every graduate wants his name to remain on the roll, and wants to pay his dues, because it is for the good of all and the support of the cause.

TREASURER.

With the assistance of Baby Squier and her mother, I gave an entertainment for the benefit of my department, Soldiers and Sailors, last Friday evening at the First Friends' church, and will be able to carry on the work of my department in our State without an appropriation. Dear MESSAGE, say to the other superintendents that they might do even better than I did if they would try something of the kind. In the interests of all,

MARION. JULIA OVERMAN.

## ELKHART COUNTY GLEANINGS.

During the past month Nappanee Union has held a memorial service for Miss Willard, had three lectures by Mrs. Cammack and a parlor meeting, all of which was very inspiring. At the Willard service distributed annual leaflets and succeeded admirably in getting new members, eight regular and five honorary. During the lecture six regular and nine honorary and two at their regular meeting, making a total addition of thirty members. They are making an effort to increase their membership to one hundred as a loving tribute to Miss Willard. They feel that it means much when the men come out so nobly to assist them. They are also making a quilt which will be completed soon and hope to sell it to re-emburse their treasury. Unions in Elkhart county are selling memorial numbers of *Union Signal*. Mrs. Rev. M. A. Tompkins, our county president, has been to South Bend attending institute and is called to Butler the 8th and 9th, of April, Seymour the 12th, and 13th. Elkhart Union held a Young Peoples Suffrage contest. Rev. Anna Shaw speaks in the Methodist church at Elkhart, March 30. Subject: The Fate of Republics. Goshert Union is putting forth an effort to make their meetings a success especially the mothers' meetings are well attended and interesting programs are rendered. We observed Gen. Neal Dow and Frances E. Willard memorial day March 20, Rev. F. F. Kayhoe of Wells Memorial Lutheran church delivered the address. After dwelling somewhat upon the work of Neal Dow he delivered an eloquent and instructive lecture upon Miss Willard as an educator, a patriot and a friend. He brought out many pleasing and instructive points in her character, and the audience was very attentive to, and deeply interested in the discourse. Rev. Kayhoe is a very pleasant speaker.

Mrs. Rounds' address, at the mid-year meeting, was so well received that she was prevailed upon to remain for a second address, which was pronounced better than the first. Mrs. Rounds may be secured for institutes.



## OFFICIAL CALL

For Central Committee meeting at 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, April 19, 10 A. M.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK,  
Recording Secretary.

## FOR A MONUMENT TO MISS WILLARD.

Never has this nation had a daughter who reflected such honor upon her as Frances E. Willard. Her life of entire renunciation and her marvelous talents were dedicated to the uplifting of humanity and the impress of her noble life will be felt by generations yet unborn. Should not every one interested in the betterment of the world feel that it is not only a duty, but a high privilege to give toward such a memorial? The cry of Miss Willard's heart, and her lips, the last hours of her life, was for the Temple, that in some way it might be paid for. One of the last letters she dictated after disease had fastened upon her was intended to be sent out to people of means, making an appeal for money to save the Temple. Below we give a few extracts from her pathetic letter. We trust all who read it will give something, no matter how small the sum may be, to show their appreciation of one of the noblest women that ever lived and loved and labored for humanity. Miss Willard's letter commences with a brief resume of the history of the W. C. T. U. She then says:

"The greatest enterprise upon which we are adventured is the Woman's Temple, intended not only to afford a large income with which to push the above lines of work which in the past has been greatly crippled for lack of money, but a hall where we can hold daily Gospel meetings for the reformation of intemperate men (and all other kinds of temperance and philanthropic meetings), headquarters for the World's and National W. C. T. U. and for the Woman's Temperance Publishing House. Mrs. Matilda B. Carse, the founder of the Temple and her advisers believed that by putting up a great building that would bring in a large rental, we would secure a desirable location and at the same time have money wherewith to carry on our departments of work on a large scale. When the building was well advanced the hard times struck the Temple building association and jeopardized the enterprise; but the Temple had already been completed and there was nothing for it but to go forward. \* \* \* I say it reverently, but I doubt if any building in the world that has stood for so few years has had wafted toward it so much of tender hope, of beautiful faith, of love for humanity.

It is the only attempt yet made by women to concentrate in architectural forms the thought and purpose of home protection. From this have come those graceful and beautiful lines that endear the Temple to every eye that rests upon its harmonious outlines and symmetrical proportions. Money has come from every quarter of the globe to raise its beautiful walls. It is the shrine of the home people, to which little children have given their hoarded coins and toward which the eyes of the aged have turned with loving hope. It symbolizes a christian character, steadied and controlled no less than a christian home built and protected from within by the principles of sobriety and purity. The building is in no sense a local enterprise. In it is the great hearth fire of the Woman's Crusade and upon which converge the loving and faithful eyes of those who in all countries have been winnowed from the mass that they might be the chosen guardians of the home in this age of varied voices and many contradictions. \* \* \* Mr. Marshall Field has extended his subscription of \$50,000 until July 1, 1898, conditioned on our securing \$300,000, with which to pay off the Temple trust bonds. We have already in cash and pledges over \$175,000, the pledges to be paid when the entire \$300,000 has been subscribed.

Knowing that faith without works is dead, I have already given the birthday fund of \$3,000, presented me by White Ribbon women, and have publicly put my home in jeopardy in payment for the bonds. It is my work to ask contributions from the well-to-do who have not yet given anything, not because they were indifferent, but, as we hope, simply because our undertaking had not yet been brought to their attention.

I have consecrated this, my fifty-ninth year, to try to help clear off the \$300,000 worth of Temple bonds, so as to have the record of our White Ribbon women worthy of the successors of those Crusade Mothers, whom history will hold in hallowed remembrance.

I appeal to good men and women who care for a clear brain, a steady-beating heart and an untrembling hand, that they shall help us go forward until we have gained a controlling interest in our "House Beautiful," so that, with the return of better times, we may have a larger sum with which to carry forward our lines of work and to bear the light of the crusade torch to the most distant land.

Will you, dear friend, help us in this great endeavor? Believe me, Loyally yours for God and home and humanity,

FRANCES E. WILLARD.

A memorial picture of Miss Willard has been ordered. It will be a large steel engraving and will be executed by a prominent Chicago artist, selling for \$2.00. Orders should be sent to the W. T. P. A., Chicago.

The Board of Education has adopted for use in the city schools all the text books authorized by the National W. C. T. U. The scientific law is already in force in the state of Illinois.

## SUPERINTENDENT

Of colored people, Mrs. Lucy Thurman, is expected in our State in April. Any Union wishing agitation in this department, or a Union organized, write to State Corresponding Secretary at once.

## THE LIFE OF MISS WILLARD.

Arrangements with some publishing house handling "The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard" will probably be made by the State President, so that all the profits accruing from the sale of the same by our Unions shall be divided between the canvasser and the Union, and whereby all orders sent to and through the State President for this book there will be a per cent given to our State Library. Every Union is urged to elect or appoint one or more agents, who will secure all the subscriptions of our White Ribboners and their friends with the understanding that one-half or less of the per cent received be turned into the Union treasury.

## LOOKED LIKE A SMALL STATE CONVENTION.

The Anderson W. and Y. extended a cordial invitation to the mid-year executive committees and the State Institute to be held at Anderson, March 8th and 9th, which was accepted and greatly enjoyed. All meetings were held in the large M. E. Church, which was elaborately decorated with palms and flowers by the Y's and Sidney Stewart, the florist. Mr. Stewart also presented a hundred Marchaeneil roses to the members of the executive and the State superintendents.

The first evening the White Ribboners were welcomed in strong, earnest words. The city was represented by its worthy mayor, Mr. Dunlap; the W. C. T. U. by Mrs. Leib, president of the Anderson Union; the churches by the Rev. Eldridge; the schools by Prof. J. W. Carr. The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Louise S. Rounds, president of the Illinois W. C. T. U., who spoke with earnestness and enthusiasm to a responsive and appreciative audience. The music was furnished by the Y. W. C. T. U. The large auditorium was crowded to its utmost capacity with an appreciative and attentive audience. The executive met early on March 9th, holding a close business session until 10 o'clock, at which time it went into the State W. C. T. U. Institute, which was in charge of Miss Mary Hadley, Superintendent of Institutes.

The program used was the same as suggested by the State Superintendent of Institutes for county institutes. The discussions were participated in by the general officers, county president, state superintendents and visitors. Mrs. Rounds, who has a national reputation as a conductor of institutes, and has charge of the W. C. T. U. Institute in the Bay View Assembly Course, was present and very helpful, speaking on many topics. Much enthusiasm prevailed. The Institute was considered a great success.

That evening a gold medal and suffrage contest was held, which was very largely attended. The medal was awarded to Mrs. W. M. Stahl, of Hartford City. The music was furnished by the Y. M. C. A. orchestra and the Y. W. C. T. U., and was said to excel that of any recent state meeting.

The Anderson press was generous and kind, every paper devoting several columns each day to the work of the W. C. T. U. and to our meetings. The hospitality of the Anderson people was cordial. To the Y's and W's the visitors were indebted for a splendid lunch each day and for many other acts of courtesy and kindness. Wabash Union extended an invitation for the next mid-year meeting.

Miss Anna Downey will attend many institutes in Indiana in April. The newspapers report her evangelistic work in the M. E. Church at Frankfort as unprecedented there. She was engaged by the Willard Union, which planned broadly for her work. The cause of Christ was greatly advanced. The collections at her meetings paid her in full and left many dollars in her treasury. The last two days she held special services for the W. C. T. U. Twenty-three new members were secured, the Unions encouraged and strengthened. Miss Downey's work has greatly helped our cause.

Read our plans, our premiums, our opportunities. Surely every Union will feel interested and strive to do much work this last half of the year. Every member may help.

The Life of Miss Willard will be sold by many subscription houses. Every family should have a copy. Let every Union appoint one or more agents and begin a canvass at once. Sell these books for the sentiment they will create for God and humanity.

A life-sized lithograph picture of Miss Willard, similar to the picture given in the March MESSAGE, can be secured now by sending to our State treasurer, Mrs. Whitson. Price, fifty cents, post paid.

## Dear Little Message.

I am very anxious to have you visit my home for a whole year every time you leave the office. Thirty-five cents does not seem like a very large amount to pay for the help and pleasure I expect to receive from so many visits. Enclosed you will find the amount in full; will you please come? Please begin with March number, and address, M. A. Holloway, corresponding secretary L. T. L. Branch, Lincolnville.

The Wabash Union is still without a press reporter, but wish that the MESSAGE would speak of the great loss which the Nichols Union, of Wabash, has sustained in the death of one of their most valued honorary members—Father B. O. Spencer—known to so many of the temperance workers of the State. At the request of friends the services were, for the most part, in the hands of the W. C. T. U.

## SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

Dear Sister Superintendents—During the last three months I have received several letters which show an increase of interest in our very important department. Through the MESSAGE of April, I desire to urge you

all to put forth your best efforts in this branch of work. Owing to the lack of money it will not be possible for me to attend all of the conventions as I should love to do. I desire that all of my superintendents shall present her work, if only by a few words at each convention and report to me. I would be willing and very glad to visit any Union in the State, if the car fare is promised and entertainment. Will lecture on our department work one evening and the next evening give my popular lecture on "Woman" to help raise the money for expenses. If several Unions would unite in this work, who are near together, we could accomplish much good.

Once again, keep your reports ready for me. I am ready and willing at all times to answer letters in regard to our work and, if I was able, would visit every Union free of charge. Let us all work together heartily "as unto the Lord." Notice change of address from Jeffersonville to Livonia, Ind.

S. M. SHELTON,  
State Superintendent.

## NOT A PLEASANT TASK

I find it absolutely impossible to put the full reports of the memorial services for Miss Willard in our little MESSAGE, and do not know any better way than to gather the most notable points from each. I feel sure it is the best I can do. Unions used only white decorations with one or two exceptions.

Fairmount held her services at the time of the burial services in Evanston. A review of Miss Willard's life work was given and short addresses by the County President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson, Rev. Enos Harvey and others. Let us gather up the lessons her consecration has taught us, and weave them into the warp and woof of our lives.

Adella Lindley, County Press Superintendent, writes: Francesville, Feb. 26, used the hour for its regular meeting for memorial services at the home of Mrs. Laura Wise, County President. Several papers were read. Mrs. Allie Anderson, Lawrence and others gave short addresses. These, with prayer and song service, filled the program.

Greencastle held their services March 10 in Locust street church. The clergy was well represented. Rev. Farr spoke of Miss Willard as a reformer. Miss Hattie Welsh spoke of her girlhood days, in her earliest days showing unusual originality and personality. Miss Willard's prayer was, "May I behold the good in everything but sin."

Greensburg Union held a Willard Memorial meeting. The program was excellent, representing the churches, city schools, G. A. R., W. R. C., all the C. E. and Epworth League chapters and the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Thurman, a colored woman, represented her people.

Elkhart resolved that every member wear black and white badge for thirty days. A letter of condolence was sent to headquarters. A memorial service was held in the Protestant Methodist church, and its seating capacity was taxed. Mrs. R. C. Travis was in charge. The services were considered fine.

Crown Point held memorial service Feb. 27, in the M. E. Church, in charge of Mrs. A. B. Church, who conducts the noonday meetings at Willard's Hall. Miss Brehm made the address.

Frankfort Union responded to the National call for March 20—Neal Dow's and Miss Willard's memorial service. Rev. Brown, of the Christian Church, made the address. His strong point was, a great character can be built on principle and faith in God. He spoke in the highest terms of these well-beloved leaders of the W. C. T. U. and of Frankfort Union.

Deer Creek Union observed March 20. Rev. Enos Harvey, of Fairmount, delivered a most excellent address, followed by personal recollections of Miss Willard, by Eunice Wilson, Grant county's noble leader.

Rockport Union resolved to set apart one day in each year in memoriam, that the light of Miss Willard's good works while here might guide them onward and upward.

Shelbyville W. C. T. U. and the pastors of the city united in memorial services in the evening of the day Miss Willard was buried.

Versailles combined their fourteenth anniversary and a memorial service, spending the day with Mrs. H. White, who entertained at dinner at the hotel. They enjoyed the memorial services and social hours and were strengthened in their purposes to remain steadfast in the cause our leader loved so well.

The Logansport Woman's Club, under the leadership of its president, Mrs. J. M. Barnes, passed strong resolutions of respect and admiration of the character of her who was such a remarkable leader among women.

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## REJOICE. INDIANA WHITE RIBBONERS,

Because of gifts to our Hadley Industrial School of a farm valued at \$4,000 and a bank check for \$800.

March 28, Mr. Richard F. Cox, an honored citizen of Hamilton county, made a deed of trust to Mrs. Maggie Cox, of Westfield, to 107 acre farm situated near Rochester, Ind., who is given full power to sell the same and invest the proceeds as an endowment fund for the Hadley Industrial School, the income to be applied on the expense account of the institution.

April 5, Mrs. Hannah W. Clark, of Elkhart, a highly respected citizen of that place, sent a bank check for \$800 to Mrs. Ella Wright, Treasurer Hadley Industrial School Board.

These generous gifts caused great rejoicing. They came to us at a time when we were almost discouraged. The pledges were being paid slowly and obligations needed to be met and no money on hands. With grateful hearts we accept these gifts and will use them for worthy needed girls of our State.

## THE STATE CENTRAL COM. ELECTED MISS OLIVE PEELE STATE Y ORGANIZER.

Miss Peelle comes of sturdy Quaker stock from the Carolinas, who were abolitionists. The mother was a crusader at Cambridge City, near where Olive was born. Her parents moved south while she was yet a little girl. She was educated in Friends' schools. While yet quite young, when visiting her brother in New York State, she determined to satisfy her longing to do hospital work as a nurse and take training for such work. This she did, and for five years has devoted herself to study and work, being a successful trained nurse. Her widowed mother and sisters reside in Richmond, this state. There she has done practical work for Christ and humanity. Her sympathies have been toward girls especially and with them she has done efficient work, helping them to gain a knowledge of Christ. Thus she entered the ranks of the W. C. T. U. with a conviction in regard to girls. Her words are: "I only seek to know and do the blessed will of my Master."

Miss Peelle was elected State Y organizer on Monday, April 18, and on the 19th organized a Y Union of ten members. Another the same week of eleven members, both of Indianapolis. In the latter she was assisted by Mrs. Leck, county president. This young life, consecrated to God and humanity, comes to the W. C. T. U. full of faith and enthusiasm. Every effort will be made to keep her in the field until the next State convention.

## THE STIRRING CAMPAIGN CONTINUED BY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Recognizing the moral uplifting and financial success of the Stirring Campaign for Our Industrial School,

Resolved, That we enthusiastically re-endorse it and recommend that it be promptly and vigorously pushed throughout the State with the slight modification which occurs in the plan amended to read as follows:

### STIRRING CAMPAIGN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The State officers ask the local Union officers to join them in a medal campaign for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School. Martinsville held a contest and made \$22 for the Armenians. We have over four hundred Unions, and every one of these Unions could hold a contest if they would.

The State will give to any county having five or a less number of Unions, whose every Union holds a contest, a week's work by one of our organizers. To any county with ten to five Unions, whose every Union holds a contest, a lecture by a State worker. To the county having over ten Unions sending in the largest amount of net proceeds, an address by one of our National officers.

Every local Union sending in \$10 or over, net proceeds, can have an address by one of the State officers.

Pledge signing is to be one of the particular features of the campaign. Every local Union reporting 50 signatures or over at their contest can have one day's service by one of our evangelists.

Local Unions which will join in the stirring campaign should send in their name to our State Corresponding Secretary and the report of the contest must be sent in promptly.

We will use the W. C. T. U. system and rules, and only silver medals. They may be oratorical, suffrage, narcotic, L. T. L., matron or silver gray.

We will use the W. C. T. U. Demorest and Cooper books, that we may have variety and as good as there is.

Pledge cards, 15 cents a hundred.

Posters to advertise the contests, at the rate of 50 cents a hundred.

Order these, with the medals and books, of Mary E. Balch, the Superintendent of the Medal Department, 711 E. Eleventh st., Indianapolis. Send money with your order. Net proceeds of contests to be sent to our State Treasurer, Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian st., Indianapolis, Ind.

Recommended, That so far as expedient all contests held previous to the next session of Indiana Legislature be suffrage contests. Will not superintendents of contest work read carefully and act promptly? If a superintendent has not been appointed, or for any cause should be inactive, will not local and county officers see that prompt action is taken?

### FORM OF PETITION.

We, the undersigned citizens of the..... of..... County, in the State of Indiana, pray the proposal and passage by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, at its session in the year 1899, of an amendment of section 2, article 11, of the constitution of the State of Indiana, striking out the word male therein.

Names.

Addresses.

## LEGISLATIVE.

All counties which have chosen their legislature committees for the suffrage campaign are requested to forward the names of the committee with postoffice addresses at once to the department superintendent, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, Ind. If any county has not yet chosen such a committee, appointment should be made at once.

We understand that a report of Vigo county institute and the organization of a Lucy Thurman Union has been forwarded, but as such a report has not been received by the editor in charge, she will have to ask said report to be duplicated.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

General good health prevails in the home, and many bright, sweet girls gathered from different parts of the State are enjoying the early springtime amid the wild flowers and grassy meadows, enlivened by the song of the robin and other native birds.

Farm work is being pushed forward as rapidly as the weather will permit. Some new wire fencing and new gates have taken the places of the old ones.

Much of the fruit planted last year gives promise of future usefulness. We have a surplus of fresh Jersey cows which will soon be ready for the market.

The superintendent and matron remain faithful in their departments of work. It seems a time of good cheer to the many friends of this noble work as the Lord inclines the hearts of his children to lend a helping hand.

Mr. Richard F. Cox, of Hamilton county, has deeded in trust a farm of 107 acres of land, situated in Fulton county, to Mrs. Margaret E. Cox, of Westfield, to be used as an endowment fund for the home. Also Mrs. Hannah W. Clark, of Elkhart, sent us a check for \$800, which has been applied to reduce our building debt, leaving a balance of less than \$100 yet due on that debt. Let us all to the work with increased energy and the Lord will bless our efforts.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.

## WESTERN GROVE UNION, HANCOCK CO.

Our Union is alive and aggressive. Our membership is made up entirely of women whose homes are in the country and who see life from a practical standpoint and are not unmindful of the lurking places of

the enemy against which we are arrayed to fight. The departments which we have taken up are headed by women with conviction; especially is this true of the superintendent of medal work, who is a woman of rare efficiency and adaptability to this special work. During the last three months she has drilled two classes from which five contests have been held, which were occasions of great interest. The subjects of the recitations covered so many lines of W. C. T. U. work that the educational feature itself was very advantageous, giving to the audience who attended a broader scope of our warfare.

## DEATH OF MISS LODIE E. REED AT URBANA, OHIO.

As we go to press we learn that Miss Reed died on April 26th, after an illness of a few days. Her funeral will be conducted from the home of her sister, Mrs. John A. Barth, Central avenue, Indianapolis, on April 29th.

Miss Reed was born May 22, 1847, in Urbana, O., from which place her parents moved when she was five years old to Monticello, Ind. Her father was Judge Finch Reed. Her mother, Louisa Jane Downs, a descendant of Quaker martyrs to early persecutions in this country. She herself a Methodist. An ambitious student, she acquired a classical education.

For ten years she was a teacher at Monticello and Attica, being principal of the high school in the latter place. Being in Urbana, Ohio, at the time of the crusade, she received through it her call to temperance reform work. In 1881 she became corresponding secretary of the Indiana W. C. T. U., which office she faithfully filled for thirteen years. She also was for ten years Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction Department, and led the campaign which secured the law in Indiana. For three years she was press superintendent for the National W. C. C. U. and editor of the National W. C. T. U. Bulletin. She has served as press superintendent for the Worlds W. C. T. U. Since 1895 she was one of the founders and heavy stockholders of the *Organizer*, editing it for more than twelve years. In these papers she ably and successfully advocated the cause of God and humanity.

She was gentle, quiet and unassuming in manner, possessing a remarkably attractive face, which was strong in its characteristics and beautiful in feature.

Miss Reed served in Indiana as Corresponding Secretary perhaps longer than any other State Union has been served by a Corresponding Secretary. At the time of her death she was editing a W. R. C. paper in Urbana, Ohio, making her home with relatives there.

DEAR MESSAGE—I have a message for you. Please say to the L. T. L. workers everywhere that God giveth the crown to the faithful and He hath said "be not weary in well doing." Then why should we? I feel that we ought to remember this passage of Scripture with the many others that are a strength in time of need. I have one legion to report that is alive and doing some good work. On last rally day there were 82 persons present and only 9 adults (or married people) and from them we had seven earnest, praiseworthy speeches. The last four legion days have numbered 262 and Lincolnville is not a very large place either. Oh, how sincerely I wish that the boys and girls everywhere (where they are not already at work) could feel how truly the world needs them.

M. A. HOLLOWAY,  
County Secretary L. T. L. Branch.

## KNOX COUNTY.

It has been almost a year since I was elected Superintendent of County Press Work. I have tried faithfully to do my whole duty in this matter, and now I will make my report through our dear MESSAGE. I have made a report of the different Unions in the county to one of the county papers. I have written articles about every entertainment, lecture, contest and memorial service which has been held by the Freelandville Union.

I have also furnished material for twenty-five temperance columns in one of the leading papers. May God direct us all in the way that will be peasing in his sight.

DELA WALKER,  
Superintendent County Press.

Dr. John M. Hall, President of Bay View Assembly and Summer University, says that an effort will be made to secure cheap excursion rates on the railroads to accommodate those desiring to attend the W. C. T. U. Institute, held in July, which is a part of the regular Assembly course. If secured, announcement will be made in June MESSAGE.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESS SUPERINTENDENT, MINNIE BARKER HORNING.

The Local Press Superintendent in a small town will have one or, at most, two papers to deal with. Her first duty is to make the acquaintance of the editor, interesting him in herself and work, letting him know to whom he may look for items concerning the work of the Union. If he is interested in reform work for his town, her task is easy; if the opposite, she must bring the work to his notice in the light of news, and if he is a thorough-going newspaper man, this appeal is a strong one, for he is bound to supply all his subscribers with reading suited to their various tastes. He must cater to all. Her second duty is to be present, or have a representative at every meeting of the Union, that if there is news she may furnish it.

Is there any special form that this news should take?

Above all things it should be brief. A lengthy article, telling who prayed and who read scripture, and what motions where made and who seconded them, will never do, but a local like this: "The W. C. T. U., at their meeting on Thursday, voted to appeal for, collect and pack garments for Cuban sufferers. Mrs. B. and C. were appointed a committee to arrange for a gospel meeting, which will be addressed by Miss A., the well known National Organizer," would be well received. There will always be some one point of public local interest discussed at a Union meeting. Our motto this year is, "Better three lines accepted than a column rejected."

What do you think of a W. C. T. U. column?

I approve of it, but I have always held that I would rather have two or three local items interspersed with other news than the stereotyped column, which by its very conspicuousness heralds its own inability to interest many readers. The third duty of the Local Superintendent, and the most important, it may be, is to report what she does; keep an account of every item and report it when it is asked for promptly and correctly. Only by this means can the sum total be placed in the hands of the National Superintendent.

The city Press Superintendent's duties differ in a measure from that of the superintendent in a small town. She, too, must call on the editors and let them know her position and reliability, but she should also know the reporters. She should be known to them as one always glad to give them news or what they call "a good story." A reporter friend on each paper is a boon to a Press Superintendent and she can also be of aid to them. In many instances her work is made easy for her by giving her points to the reporters, who will write up the stories themselves and thus each will be different and satisfactory to the several editors.

Are they not particular as to what they will use about our work?

They will report important meetings themselves, will write up distinguished workers who come to the city, and in the city an alert superintendent can simplify her work and get a great deal in the papers by keeping the reporters posted.

To look after the religious press should be the work of the Local Superintendent, unless the State Superintendent takes the responsibility herself, which is oftentimes done. The requirements of the religious press are much easier to meet than those of the dailies. The religious paper, being a weekly, will take your news, even if it has appeared in the city dailies, but it must be remodeled to suit the need.

How can we know the needs?

Let me answer in the words of a newspaper man to me: "Study your paper, learn what it uses and in what form it appears; conform as nearly as possible to its requirements. Don't try to have a regular bulletin; when you have good news, send it; when you haven't, don't. Look upon your news from an outside standpoint; eliminate your own interest in it; chronicle it as news, interesting because of its being news."

What do you consider the greatest fault of Press Superintendents?

Their lack of promptness. There is so much in having news timely. If your president is wise, she is

keeping abreast of the times in the Union and is discussing and working along the lines of public interest. This makes items of the work of the Union timely. I have spoken of its brevity, now let me speak of promptness, especially with regard to the dailies. An hour's delay, yea, fifteen minutes delay, in getting your news to the office may lose for you the appearance of your article. What is news to-day is stale to-morrow, and upon your ability to "get there" in time may depend the result of your labor.

What can we do when we write and our matter does not appear?

We must not be discouraged if much that we write never sees the light. So many contingencies may arise to crowd out our matter, and if we could follow it up we would see that the editor was not to blame. Never upbraid an editor or criticize his use of your material; remember the space in his paper is his bread and butter, and he must use it according to his own convictions and abilities. What he gives us is freely given, and while what we furnish in the way of news compensates, still he must be the judge of the news value.

After all, the public is the criterion and the papers and press associations are only caterers. What the public wants it will have and is willing to pay for, and to that the editor must respond. We must labor with our intelligent reading public to reform it, more than the editors. To illustrate the trend and demand of times: In reporting the last National Republican Convention, when Mr. McKinley was nominated, 422,000 words concerning it were sent over the wires. The Democratic Convention, nominating Mr. Bryan, was interesting to the number of 384,000 words, but the Carson prize fight, that event of the greatest national importance, forced 1,036,155 words onto the wires. Was this the fault of the newspaper people? It seems to me it was the demand of the American public. Our mission, in the words of Gen. Neal Dow, is, "with God's help to change all this," and only in so striving can we be true to our highest, noblest work.

### OUR INSTITUTES.

Tidings from our institutes still in progress are most encouraging. Only a few of them, as yet, have sent in a full report to the MESSAGE. We hope others will do so promptly, that we may publish from them to the limit of our space. From the counties reporting, we glean the following—Ed.:

Cass County accepted the first schedule date, March 14, and held its institute at Galveston. It had a representation of its local membership from its remotest Union at Royal Center. The program was well filled and well carried out—Miss Mary Hadley in charge as leader. Five ministers were present and took part in the discussions. Subscriptions were taken for the MESSAGE and a Signal, and a County Legislative Committee for Franchise Work arranged for. The evening address was given to a crowded house by Miss Hadley and listened to by an appreciative audience. The decorations were beautiful and the special music rendered by the young people a delight. Cass County work has been carefully planned and excellent results must continue to follow.

Park County's schedule time brought its institute in the equinoctial storm, which reduced its attendance, but no apparent reduction of enthusiasm and careful planning for future work, with our State Corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. E. Balch, in charge as leader. The subscriptions taken for the MESSAGE made the list for the county equal that of its membership.

As we call to mind Miss Willard's ideal standard—a W. C. T. U. State paper for every State, so inexpensive that it may be read by every member. We are led to believe that many counties in our State will attain this, and may Indiana be the first State to reach this much to be desired standard, which we must now feel has been left us as a benison by our beloved leader.

The evening of the suffrage contest the rain poured, but a fair audience assembled and was delighted with the bright recitations and good music given by Colma's enterprising young people.

At Delphi, Carroll County wheeled promptly in line for its institute. The local arrangements by Miss L. E. Eversole and her harmonious co-workers led to a successful session. Flora Union was not represented. This failure was reported to be on account of illness and unfavorable weather.

At the first session an impressive memorial service for our beloved Miss Willard was conducted by Miss Hadley, State Vice-President, who had been secured as institute leader. The papers and discussions were earnest and practical. A Legislative Committee for the suffrage campaign was chosen. Every member of the institute, not already a reader of the MESSAGE, became a subscriber.

At the evening session, request had been made for an address on our Industrial School for Girls. This was given by Miss Mary Hadley to an interested audience and increased interest in the work of our school was awakened.

### CAMP LIFE.

The boys of our State and other States have responded to the call of the President for troops, and thousands are now in the camps. Those who have visited the camps know that parents dread the dangers of camp life for their boys as much, if not more, than the bullets of the enemy.

Let us petition Gov. Jas. A. Mount of our State concerning our State camp; President Wm. McKinley, Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., and to Major General Nelson A. Miles, War Department, Washington, D. C., urging them to issue orders forbidding the

sale or use of liquor in the camp and the sale of liquor near a camp, whether State or National. Let nothing prevent you from attending to this immediately. The effort is needed. The drinking by the boys of Camp Mount has been very general; saloons running full blast just outside the camp and the boys were allowed to go at will out of the camp and to the city. Our good Gov. Mount is making an effort to better the conditions, but the pressure is great. Let such a shower of letters and petitions be sent to these officials that they dare not disregard them.

MRS. L. F. McWHIRTER, President.

### APPEAL TO INDIANA UNIONS.

War is upon us. There will be sickness and distress among our soldiers in the camp. From every Union in our State let there be a committee appointed at once to secure delicacies, comfort bags and some money for literature to be sent to the camps. These should be sent prepaid to our State superintendent of work among soldiers and sailors, Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 South Branson street, Marion, Ind.

(MRS.) L. F. McWHIRTER,  
 President Indiana W. C. T. U.  
 (MRS.) JULIA OVERMAN,  
 State Superintendent.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Dear Sunday School Workers—May 15 is our next Temperance Sunday. The special work suggested for that day is to hold May temperance rallies. May is a good month for your temperance rallies. Please work hard to have the resolution concerning quarterly temperance lessons presented in every Sunday School in your town and county. Also present it to your county Sunday School conventions. This is to be adopted by the conventions and signed by the President and Secretary of the State Sunday School Association and sent to Mrs. Irvine. (If you send to me, I will send to her.) Mrs. Irvine will send printed copies free to any who will send postage (5 cents per 100) for the same.

#### RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, The evil of intemperance is alarmingly on the increase in our land; and

WHEREAS, The church has a duty to perform in keeping youth unsullied by such evil; therefore

Resolved, That it is the wish of this convention that no change shall be made in providing the quarterly temperance lessons.

(Signed) .....President.  
 .....Secretary.  
 Adopted by.....Convention.  
 City of.....State of Indiana.  
 .....No of Delegates.

This is considered very important by the World's and National Superintendents, so please do not pass it by as of little consequence.

Please work hard to form the Sunday School pledge chain. Do, oh, do let me have a good chain to report to the National this fall, and let not the report of Indiana this fall be lacking in statistics. If you will send direct to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, St. Paul, Minn., for the pledge cards (25 cents per 100) it will expedite matters, as I do not keep them on hands. By referring to my letter in November MESSAGE, you will see the work as outlined for the year. I am sending Plan of Work leaflets and report blanks sufficient to each County Superintendent whose name I know and to each local whose address I have. Please read them carefully. Let us keep up the regular lines of work according to our Plan while doing work along the special lines.

We need to know our department. Will not each and all of you subscribe for and read the Union Signal? Then you will always get Mrs. Irvine's quarterly communications in season, which I sometimes do not get in time to get into the MESSAGE for you in season. Let us be up and doing while the day is ours. Let me hear from you. Hoping for great results, I am yours for temperance teaching in the Sunday School,

Logansport, Ind. ALICE GEARY,  
 State Superintendent.

The Goshen Y Branch is in a flourishing condition. Miss Sears organized the branch the 15th of July; that quarter we gained seventeen members. Soon after the convention Miss Sears visited our Y and gave us an entertaining, instructive talk. I think that evening seven boys joined us. The first quarter we gained sixteen members; the second, nineteen members; a total of fifty-one paid-up members, of that number twelve are boys. We have been asked, "how do you gain the boys?" We endeavor to make the meetings not only interesting, but entertaining. But we attribute our success to God in answer to prayer. He hears Miss Sears and our prayers in behalf of this work.

MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
 Press Superintendent.  
 Goshen W. C. T. U. and Y Secretary.

Mrs. Lewis, of Fairmount, Superintendent of L. T. I., is determined that every school in the township of Fairmount, including the town schools, shall have a scientific temperance lecture. Two more country schools and she will have completed her effort.

LaFayette Union has elected Mrs. Mattie Riley Y Secretary and appointed Mesdames A. L. Green, Josephine Bennett and Ray Stinespring to arrange a series of temperance meetings. It also decided to again offer three prizes to pupils of public schools on "Scientific Temperance, or the Effect of Alcohol on the Body."



## "TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION IS TYRANNY."

Send all money for suffrage work to Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

The unselfish efforts of our legislative committee will be appreciated when understood. Funds are needed to carry on this work for suffrage. Please solicit donations of amounts from five cents to five dollars from women and men who favor woman's enfranchisement and do not contribute largely to reform work. Such people live in every community. Let this work be systematically done, by districting the locality and making house to house calls. God will bless your efforts if you go in a Christ-like spirit. Read thoroughly the MESSAGE supplements before going. Beware of a contentious spirit. Everywhere extend a cordial invitation to attend the W. C. T. U. meetings. Never do so in an apologetic manner, because you are not quite certain about the program of the meetings. If for any reason the president of your Union is satisfied to hold meetings without a definitely arranged program it is time to pray and work for another president. Always bear in mind that the W. C. T. U. is the largest, grandest organization of reformers in the whole world. It is by far the largest organization of women in the world. Go asking for funds with which to carry on this suffrage campaign, because you believe justice demands equal rights for men and women. Senator Vest says in regard to Cuban man, "taxation without representation is tyranny." If this be true in regard to the uncivilized Malayan man, is it not true of a civilized American woman?

### COLORADO SPEAKS FOR HERSELF.

Because false rumors are circulating in other States concerning the results of woman suffrage in Colorado, the friends of the cause desire to present a truthful and unprejudiced statement of facts. The signatures of men and women who have official recognition are appended to this statement, in order that the office may give weight when names are unknown. The signatures include prominent society women, as well as those distinguished in intellectual and philanthropic work. The list might be indefinitely prolonged, were more than a representative number possible.

We, citizens of the State of Colorado, desire, as lovers of truth and justice, to give our testimony to the value of equal suffrage.

We believe that the greatest good of the home, the State, and the nation is advanced through the operation of equal suffrage. The evils predicted have not come to pass. The benefits claimed for it have been secured or are in process of development. A very large proportion of Colorado women have conscientiously accepted their responsibility as citizens. In 1894, more than half the total vote for Governor was cast by women. Between 85 and 90 per cent of the women of the State voted at that time. The exact vote of the last election has not yet been estimated, but there is reason to believe that the proportional vote of women was as large as in previous years.

The vote of good women, like that of good men, is involved in the evils resulting from the abuse of our present political system; but the vote of women is noticeably more conscientious than that of men, and will be an important factor in bringing about a better order. Signed:

Albert W. McIntire, Governor of Colorado.  
John Evans, ex-Governor.  
John L. Routt, ex-Governor.  
Alva Adams, Governor-elect.  
H. M. Teller, U. S. Senator.  
Edward O. Wolcott, U. S. Senator.  
John F. Schafroth, Member of Congress.  
John C. Bell, Member of Congress.  
N. P. Hill, ex-Senator.  
Charles D. Hayt, Chief Justice Supreme Court.  
Luther M. Goddard, Associate Justice Supreme Court.  
John Campbell, Associate Justice Supreme Court.  
Gilbert B. Reed, First Judge of State Court of Appeals.  
Charles I. Thompson, Judge of State Court of Appeals.  
Julius B. Bissell, Judge of State Court of Appeals.  
Owen E. Lefever, Judge District Court.  
C. P. Butler, " " "  
P. L. Palmer, " " "  
Geo. W. Allen, " " "  
E. H. Webb, Sheriff Arapahoe County.

T. S. McMurray, Mayor of Denver.  
A. B. McGaffey, Secretary of State.  
H. E. Mulnix, State Treasurer.  
C. C. Parks, State Auditor.  
Mrs. A. J. Peavey, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Lucy E. R. Scott, Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

B. L. Carr, Attorney-General.  
James H. Baker, President University of Colorado.  
Wm. F. Slocum, President Colorado College.

James B. Gregg, D. D.  
James H. Ecob, D. D.

Susan Riley Ashley, Chairman of Correspondence, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Colorado.

Mrs. Nath P. Hill, Vice-Regent for Colorado of Mt. Vernon Association.

Carrie S. Benjamin, President of Denver Sec. of Jewish Women's Council.

Eliza F. Routt, Member of State Board of Agriculture.

Katherine A. G. Patterson, President State Suffrage Association of Colorado.

Sarah S. Platt, President Women's Club, Denver.  
Martha A. B. Conine, President North Side Club, and Representative-elect to Legislature of Colorado.

Minerva C. Welch, Secretary Denver Fortnightly Club.

Susan M. Hayward, President Clio Club.  
Katherine Sumner, President Monday Club.

Isabel Hill, President Tuesday Musical Club.  
Carrie O. Kistler, President Four O'clock Club.

Marry B. Morris, President Reviewers' Club.  
Mary E. Humphrey, President Pi Pi Kappa Club.

Sue M. Hall, President Civic Federation.  
Alice Polk Hill, President Round Table Club.

Nettie E. Casper, President 22d Ave. Club.  
Ione T. Hanna, Chairman Educational Department of Woman's Club and ex-member School Board.

Mary Barker Bates, M. D., of Board of Education District No. 1.

Denver, Col., December 18, 1896.

In an article on "The Truth About Colorado," Katherine A. G. Patterson and Helen G. Ecob, of Denver, write:

Colorado has her own problems to solve in local government, like the rest of the country, and problems take time.

Certainly no one has a right to demand that they all should have been settled in the three short years since women obtained the ballot. Neither can it be expected that there should be unanimity of opinion as to the expediency of woman's enfranchisement. Traditions and prejudices which have accumulated through centuries of practice are not overcome in three years of the most successful innovation. Accordingly one may meet in Colorado intelligent and high-minded women who accept the duties of citizenship with reluctance, and retrospectively rejoice in the days of irresponsibility. Yet the prevailing sentiment of women is in the interest of liberty. Those who object are in the minority, and it now requires in Colorado almost as great courage to oppose suffrage as is still required in the East to espouse it.

The question is often asked if the franchise brings respectable women into contact with these sisters of darkness. Distinctly and emphatically, no. We have in Colorado the Australian ballot system. Respectable women vote in their own respectable precincts, and meet at the booths their own respectable neighbors and friends, who are as courteous on that day as on every other day.

There is no moral test for the ballot in any State or country. If we could draw the line of social purity, it should cleave man suffrage as well as women suffrage. Justice, not expediency, is the ground for equal political privileges. Justice is the only ground on which women should claim the ballot, the only ground on which the State should grant it. We are no more concerned about the expediency of justice than we are about the expediency of the law of gravitation. Yet we have proved in Colorado that justice is expedient. The principal of co-operation between man and woman is the ideal in human society, and freedom for every individual is the requisite of a higher social development.

### STATISTICS ON WOMEN.

Some interesting statistics have lately been compiled, showing the proportion of women among the inmates of the different State prisons. The figures are taken from the United States census of 1890. Omitting fractions, they are as follows: In the District of Columbia, women constitute 17 per cent of the prison-

ers; in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, 14 per cent; in New York, 13; in Louisiana, 12; in Virginia, 11; in New Jersey, 10; in Pennsylvania and Maryland, 9; in Connecticut, 8; in Alabama, New Hampshire, Ohio and South Carolina, 7; in Florida, Maine, Mississippi, New Mexico and Tennessee, 6; in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina and West Virginia, 5; in Arkansas and Delaware, 4; in California, Minnesota, North Dakota, Texas and Vermont, 3; in Colorado, Iowa, Montana, Nebraska and Utah, 2; in Arizona, Kansas, Nevada and South Dakota, 1; in Washington, four-fifths of 1 per cent; in Oregon and Wisconsin, two-fifths of 1 per cent; in Wyoming and Idaho, none.

A prominent Episcopal Bishop lately objected to equal suffrage on the ground that "to the vote of every criminal man you would add the vote of a criminal woman." Instead of doubling the criminal and undesirable vote, woman suffrage would increase the moral and law-abiding vote very largely, while increasing the criminal and disreputable vote very little. This is a matter not of speculation, but of statistics.

### CATECHISM OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

Under a representative form of government, such as ours, who should make the laws?

The people.

Do the people make our laws?

No; half the people are excluded therefrom.

Who do make the laws?

Men.

Who gave them the right to make the laws?

Men gave themselves the right.

Do not the laws concern women?

They do.

Why, then, may they not take part in thus making the laws which they must obey?

Because that would make the laws more equal, and men do not want it so; but want, instead, that the laws would be as they are—all in favor of themselves.

Why are the laws so one-sided?

Because one sex alone has been making the laws.

When a husband brutally assaults his wife, who should make the laws to punish him?

The people should, but only men do.

Who make the laws concerning the property rights of husband and wife?

Men only.

Do not the wives help equally in accumulating the property?

Mostly they do, especially farmers' wives, who carry triple burdens in working, saving, and propagating at the same time, while the husbands have only the one thing to do—accumulate.

Then why should not the wives have an equal right and equal voice in making the laws concerning that property?

No reason why they should not and no reason why they cannot, except that they do not vote.

Who pay taxes?

Men and women.

Is the property of women taxed equally with that of men?

Exactly the same.

Who makes the laws governing taxation?

Only men.

Who says how tax money collected from men and women shall be used?

Men, only men.

Well, since women are taxed equally with men, do you not think they should have an equal voice in saying how that tax money shall be used?

### A GROWING CAUSE.

In Washington, as well as in South Dakota, the official recount shows the equal suffrage amendment to have received a larger vote than was formerly reported. In Washington, the adverse majority this year is only 9,882. In 1889 it was 19,386. In South Dakota, in 1890, the adverse majority was 23,610. This year it is 3,285.

In four States—Kansas, Colorado, Washington and South Dakota—equal suffrage amendments have been submitted to the voters twice, at intervals of some years. In every case the vote was better the second time than the first, showing the steady gain of the cause.

The long struggle between conservatism and progress in regard to woman suffrage has been well compared to a series of wrestling bouts between an old man and a growing boy. The man can throw the boy down as yet, but it is only a question of time when the case will be reversed.

A. S. B.



**Everybody can help now! Urge prominent men and women of your community to write to your Senator and Representative, urging them to support the Suffrage Bill.**

*To the Senate of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899:*

We, the undersigned citizens of the..... of.....County, in the State of Indiana, pray the proposal and passage by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, at its session in the year 1899, of an amendment of Section 2, Article II, of the Constitution of the State of Indiana, striking out the word male therein.

VOTERS.

WOMEN.

Duplicate the above, addressed

*To the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899.*

The above are copies of the petition which is being circulated throughout the State of Indiana. We ask that every man, woman and child, who believes that justice demands the enfranchisement of women, prove their faith by helping in the work of securing names to this petition. And, as you secure names to this petition, will you also help in the work of the permanent enrollment by securing signatures to the declaration. "We believe women should vote on equal terms with men?" Have one list for men and another for women, the same as for the petition.

#### INDIANA ENROLLMENT.

The design of this enrollment is to put upon permanent record the names of all citizens in Indiana who believe in the enfranchisement of women. It aims to secure the autographs of all women who are ready to exercise the elective franchise and of all men who believe in equal suffrage. All signatures are copied by a typewriter into books bearing the label of the State, while the original lists are preserved. Secure signatures only from people of legal age. It is also desirable that the signatures of professional men and women be accompanied by the abbreviations which indicate their professions. Autographs are classified according to the towns, counties and congressional districts in Indiana, thus fitting the enrollment for both State and national use. That this may be done, care should be taken to secure legible autographs, and the towns in which they are obtained should be written upon the lists.

It would be of great and direct value to our cause to make the number of signatures, as soon as possible, large enough to challenge the attention of the Legislature at Indianapolis. Send all names and petitions to Mrs. Lizzie C. Hann, No. 2129 College avenue, Indianapolis.

#### PETTICOAT GOVERNMENT IN KANSAS.

Mr. William A. White, of Kansas, the editor of the *Emporia Gazette*, admits that the town he lives in has petticoat government, and maintains that it thrives on it. Writing in the August *Atlantic* about "A Typical Kansas Community," he says it is true that women shape the sentiment of the Kansas town, and as a result of their influence he points to Emporia, "a town of 8,000 inhabitants, without a saloon, without a strange woman, without a drunkard." The chief street corners of most towns in most States, he says (not without a little exaggeration), are occupied by dramshops. In Emporia, of the four corners made by the crossing of the two principal streets, three are occupied by banks and the other by a book store, where the boys and young men of the town find a meeting place. He draws an attractive picture of the "clean, shrewd, active young men who have been brought up in a town where the women make public sentiment, but wherein a woman has never held an administrative municipal office."

#### HOW TO WIN WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

To secure equal suffrage for women two things are needed:

1. To convince men and women that it is right and necessary.
2. To secure an active support in every voting precinct.

In short, to educate and to organize. How can this be done?

1. By circulating women suffrage literature where it will be read; not once only, but continuously. For this purpose every State Society should systematically introduce into every family a woman suffrage weekly newspaper, giving information and news of the movement, and place in the hands of every voter a woman suffrage leaflet. If the money otherwise spent were

devoted to this specific object, a single year would leaven the whole community with woman suffrage principles.

2. By finding or creating a trustworthy friend in every voting precinct to circulate literature, and help elect suffragists to the legislature.

A continuous campaign of education and organization is needed; nothing more and nothing less. The human mind is so constituted that truth and justice and liberty are sure to win in the long run. Even the efforts of the remonstrants help, for, as Jefferson has well said: "Error is harmless when Truth is free to combat it."

#### PRACTICAL RESULTS.

Wherever women have had the ballot, they have used it in the interest of the home and against the saloons, the gambling houses and the haunts of infamy.

In Wyoming, women obtained full suffrage in 1869. Rev. Dr. B. F. Crary, presiding elder of the M. E. Churches in that State, wrote years ago of the equal suffrage law: "Liquor sellers and gamblers are unanimous in cursing it." Chief Justice Groesbeck, of Wyoming, wrote in 1897: "The influence of the women voters has always been on the side of temperance, morality and good government, and opposed to drunkenness, gambling and immorality." Wyoming was the first State in the Union to raise the age of protection for girls to eighteen.

Colorado granted full suffrage to women in 1893. Equal suffrage has raised the age of protection to eighteen; has equalized the property laws between husband and wife; has secured a law making fathers and mothers equal guardians of their children; has greatly increased the number of women serving on educational boards, and has more than quadrupled the number of no-license towns in Colorado.

Kansas gave municipal suffrage to women in 1887. Several years ago the Chief Justice of Kansas and all the judges of the Supreme Court united in paying tribute to the good results. All concurred in substance with Judge W. A. Johnston, who wrote: "In consequence, our elections are more orderly and fair, a higher class of officers are chosen, and we have cleaner and stronger city governments."

In 1880, Arkansas passed a law that the opening of a saloon within three miles of a church or schoolhouse might be prevented by a petition from a majority of the adult inhabitants, men and women. The liquor dealers contested the constitutionality of the law. Their attorney, in his argument before the Supreme Court, said:

"None but male persons of sound mind can vote, but their rights are destroyed, and the idiot, alien and females step in and usurp their rights in popular government. Since females, idiots, and aliens cannot vote, they should not be permitted to accomplish the same purpose by signing a petition; for the signature of an adult to a petition is the substance of a ballot in taking the popular sense of the community. It merely changes the form, and is identical in effect."

The Supreme Court, however, upheld the constitutionality of the law. Under it, the saloons have been cleared out of three fourths of the counties in Arkansas.

In Idaho, full suffrage was granted to women in 1896. William Balderston, of Boise, editor of one of Idaho's principal dailies, writes:

"An interesting result of the new law was observed during the session of the Legislature last winter. In Idaho there had been a law legalizing gambling. Up to the time of the adoption of equal suffrage it would have been impracticable to repeal it, but when a bill was introduced last winter for that purpose, it went through with a large majority. The majority for it was universally credited to the addition of the woman element to the electorate."

In Canada, five provinces give a restricted municipal suffrage to women, and the concurrent testimony of all parties is that the result is altogether in the interest of temperance and morality.

Even at the antipodes women stand for the home. Equal suffrage has been given to the women of New Zealand, and now comes the news of a movement in New Zealand to put down gambling "Sweepstakes" have been declared illegal, and a bill to legalize them has been defeated on the avowed ground that the large associations of women, whose votes would be needed at the next election, were against the bill.—*Frances E. Willard.*

Gentlemen of the several parties, please bear in mind that women, individually and collectively, are as deeply interested in the well-being of our State and

nation as are the men individually and collectively. We have as perseveringly endured the changed conditions of the times; we have and are to-day bearing our full pro rata of the State labor; we are enumerated in the basis of political representation, yet we are denied representation; we are taxed to support the State government, yet we have no voice in regulating taxation; we are amenable to all the laws, but we have no voice in making those laws. Now, all these conditions are a direct contradiction of the spirit and text of our governmental system, which professes to derive its "just powers from the consent of the governed."

1830 Diamond street, Philadelphia,  
November 28, 1898.

Dear Editor *Bulletin*—I am frequently asked my opinion of the action of the National Convention in regard to the Temple and I would like to answer my home State women through your columns.

The subject was given sufficient time for discussion and all delegates who wished to do so had ample time in which to express their views. The vote of 285 to 76 in favor of ceasing all further attempt to own the Temple should satisfy all doubtful ones of the wisdom of the attitude of the general officers.

The claim which has been made since the convention, that the rank and file oppose giving up the enterprise, is fully answered by Mrs. Carse's own statement that in the eleven years since the beginning of the plan, the Unions have averaged but fourteen cents per member. When we know that some of us have contributed \$100 each, and many poor women and Unions have struggled to raise a like sum, proves that it never has appealed to the majority of the rank and file.

If with all the inducements which have been held out in the last eleven years, with Miss Willard and all the general officers favoring it, the W. C. T. U. has not been interested, how can any rational woman claim that the majority or even a small minority of the rank and file of the W. C. T. U. wish to keep up the hopeless struggle?

The action of the National Convention ought to settle it once and for all, and we should now turn all our energies and money to the great purpose of our organization—agitation, education and legislation against the saloon.

The dignity and fairness with which Mrs. Stevens presided through the trying discussion won the gratitude and esteem of the convention and proved that it made no mistake in selecting her as its president. Yours in the bonds of loyal service,

ANNA H. SHAW.

Pennsylvania W. C. T. U. Bulletin.

#### THE BREAKING DAY.

BY SOPHIA M. HALE.

Tune—"Webb."

The light of day is breaking,  
The nation shall be free,  
For women are awaking  
To ask for liberty—  
To plead for truth and justice,  
Nor shall we plead in vain;  
We seek the nation's glory  
And not our selfish gain.

And deeming it our duty  
To save our homes from blight,  
And seeking to protect them  
From error's gloomy night,  
Uniting with our brothers  
In one harmonious band,  
We'll strive to save the nation  
And bless our native land.

#### TO CONGRESS.

Every union should urge voters to write letters to Indiana congressmen urging them to vote for the Ellis anti-canteen bill, the Hepburn anti-prize fight bill, and against Utah's polygamous congressman, and against repeal of Alaska prohibition. White Ribboners, you can not be too busy to fail to attend to some of these things, which need immediate attention.

Equal suffrage is the inevitable result of social evolution; it may be delayed by adverse legislation, but it cannot be prevented. It must come. It will come. It is not a battle for supremacy, but for equality; simply an honest effort towards a truly representative government.

Society women should want the ballot because this reform is becoming immensely popular, and as the chariot wheels of progress roll by they don't want to be left, because good men every where are saying, "Give woman the ballot." The vigorous opposer is the fellow who hangs around the grog shop while his wife supports him. May God help us all to see our duty clearly and work while the day lasts, for the night cometh when no woman can work.—*Kansas Reville.*



## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

## RECEIPTS

DUES.	
Amboy.....\$2 00	Galveston.....\$5 50
Bankerhill..... 50	Muncie West Side... 2 50
Florence..... 1 00	Albany..... 1 00
Moore's Hill..... 4 50	Eaton..... 1 00
Dillsboro..... 50	South Bend Central.. 11 00
Brazil..... 7 00	Colfax ave. 2 50
Rockport..... 2 00	North Side 1 50
Franklin..... 2 00	Willard..... 1 00
Bloomington..... 2 00	Michigan City..... 1 50
Coloma..... 1 00	LaPorte..... 1 50
Bluffton..... 2 50	Westville..... 1 00
Ossian..... 1 00	Huntingburg..... 1 00
Poneto..... 1 50	Birch Creek..... 1 40
Amboy..... 1 50	Argos..... 3 50
College Corner..... 2 50	Bourbon..... 3 00
Liberty..... 2 50	Plymouth..... 50
Medaryville..... 3 50	Hartford City..... 3 00
Francisville..... 1 50	Montpelier..... 1 00
Bedford..... 1 00	Ambia..... 10 50
Mitchell..... 5 50	Oxford..... 1 00
Hoagland..... 2 50	Lochiel..... 3 00
New Castle..... 2 13	Boswell..... 1 00
Spiceland..... 3 00	Talbot..... 12 50
Greensboro..... 5 00	Hindostan..... 2 00
Cadiz..... 4 00	Loogootee..... 3 00
Alton..... 50	Worthington..... 2 50
Deer Creek..... 8 00	Lyons..... 3 00
Fairmount..... 9 00	Anderson..... 5 00
Upland..... 2 50	Anderson Y..... 2 50
Pr. Isabele..... 1 50	Pendleton..... 5 00
Jonesboro..... 1 50	Alexandria..... 3 00
Back Creek..... 2 50	Elwood..... 2 00
South Marion..... 1 50	Lapel..... 50
Marion..... 4 00	Valparaiso..... 2 50
Auburn..... 4 50	Hebron..... 2 25
Garrett..... 2 00	Mapleton..... 6 00
Waterloo..... 1 50	Center..... 2 50
Butler..... 3 00	Valley Mills..... 1 50
St. Joe..... 1 00	Highland Place..... 2 00
Western Grove..... 3 00	Indianapolis—Lucy
Greenfield..... 1 00	Thurman..... 2 00
Fortville..... 50	West Indianapolis... 2 00
Bristol..... 1 50	Indianapolis Central 6 00
Middlebury..... 1 50	Irrington..... 1 00
Nappanee..... 7 50	Ind'p's Meridian... 12 00
Goshen..... 4 00	South East..... 2 50
Y Branch..... 8 00	Tarleton..... 5 00
North Manchester... 6 25	Board Ripple..... 2 50
Wabash..... 4 00	Bridgeport..... 3 00
South Wabash..... 1 00	Mary F. Thomas... 7 00
Frankfort..... 7 00	Richmond..... 4 50
Willard..... 5 50	Economy..... 2 00
Mulberry..... 2 50	Boston..... 2 50
Sedalia..... 2 00	Fountain City..... 1 50
Rossville..... 50	Centerville..... 1 00
Jefferson..... 2 00	Otterbein..... 1 50
Kentland..... 1 00	Edwardport..... 4 00
Goodland..... 1 00	Freelandville..... 50
Brook..... 5 00	Vincennes..... 3 00
Terre Haute Central. 1 50	Crown Point..... 1 50
West Side..... 1 50	Greensburg..... 6 00
Mary Hadley Y..... 1 50	Shelbyville..... 4 00
Kokomo..... 5 50	Morristown..... 1 00
New London..... 2 50	Sheridan..... 2 50
Lendley..... 50	Westfield..... 2 50
Greentown..... 1 00	Carthage..... 2 50
Dana..... 2 00	Manilla..... 1 00
Jeffersonville..... 7 63	Angola..... 2 00
New Albany..... 1 75	Ashley..... 50
Evansville Central... 6 50	Freemont..... 2 00
Portland..... 2 00	Pleasant Lake..... 1 50
Dunkirk..... 3 50	Ft. Wayne Willard. 2 50
Red Key..... 2 35	Coatsville..... 50
Winchester..... 1 50	Plainfield..... 1 50
Union City..... 1 50	Brookville..... 1 50
Mount Vernon..... 3 00	Martinsville..... 5 00
Kewana..... 4 50	Martinsville Y..... 1 00
Thornstown..... 4 00	Brooklyn..... 2 00
Zionsville..... 1 50	Paragon..... 3 50
Bloomington..... 4 50	Moore'sville..... 1 00
Hope..... 1 50	Ligonier..... 3 50
Petersville..... 1 50	Albion..... 1 50
Azalia..... 1 00	Wawaka..... 1 50
Churubusco..... 3 50	LaOtta..... 1 50
Columbia City..... 1 50	LaFayette..... 6 50
South Whitley..... 6 00	Central..... 7 50
Burnettsville..... 1 00	L. Thurman..... 1 00
Monon..... 4 50	East LaFayette..... 50
East Logansport..... 5 00	Romney..... 3 00
West..... 4 50	Huntington..... 1 50
	Etna Green..... 1 00
	Ind'p'lis Tarleton... 1 00
	Ella Nash..... 50
Cash on hand January 1..... \$63 34	
Sale Fair Cottage supplies..... 22 80	
annual reports..... 17 40	
Willard cabinets..... 1 28	
buttons..... 22 65	
Temperance Hospital—Ella Nash..... 10 00	
Martinsville Union..... 3 00	
Boston Union..... 35	
Temperance Temple—Martinsville..... 2 00	
Collection—Mid-Year Executive..... 40 29	
Donation—Miss Marie C. Brehm..... 5 00	
Donation collections..... 3 57	
Wood Allen—return check..... 5 00	
for organization—Martinsville Union... 1 06	
MESSAGE and Signal fund..... 271 93	
Dues..... 519 26	
	\$988 93

## DISBURSEMENTS.

National dues.....	\$103 80
Y dues.....	5 15
Printing annual reports.....	135 40
C. T. Grow—Signals.....	16 80
Message and Signal expenses.....	194 92
Frame for life membership.....	85
Louise Rounds—lecture and expenses at Mid-Year Executive.....	20 00
Medal and expenses for Gold contest at Mid-Year Executive.....	5 50
Willard cabinets.....	4 20
Willard buttons.....	36 75
Half-tone of Miss Willard.....	1 50
Harriett Howe, supt. mothers' meetings.....	2 50
Memorial services.....	7 50
Hectograph.....	1 10
Temperance Hospital.....	13 35
Temple.....	2 00
Mrs. L. F. McWhirter—circular letters.....	5 50
postage.....	26 15
supplies and car fare.....	6 10
appropriation.....	18 75
expenses to Mid-Year Executive.....	1 20
Miss Mary Hadley—Institute programs.....	4 75
Institute blanks.....	2 25
postage.....	4 95
supplies and car fare.....	2 35
expenses to Mid-Year Ex.....	2 60
expenses to Central Com.....	1 90
Mrs. Mary Balch—printing blanks.....	3 50
postage.....	16 18
supplies.....	4 95
expenses to Mid-Year Ex.....	2 15
salary.....	118 75
Mrs. Mattie Cammack—premium lectures.....	9 75
deficit in organization.....	5 00
supplies.....	1 15
postage.....	2 25
appropriation.....	60 00
expenses to Mid-Year Executive.....	1 00
Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson—postage.....	9 85
sup's and car fare.....	3 80
salary.....	43 75
Balance in treasury.....	78 73
	\$988 93
A. T. WHITSON,	
Treasurer.	

## COMMUNICATIONS.

## LAFAYETTE.

Our Union meetings are of much interest and are largely attended. The superintendents are all pushing their work. The next meeting will be under the Department of Fairs and Medal Contests, led by their superintendents. The daily papers are very kind to allow us space. Not always careful to give our thought, but we are thankful for small favors. Our late Medal Contest was given by the LaFayette Union.

MRS. JOSEPHINE BENNETT,  
181 North 9th Street, LaFayette.

## IMPORTANT

To superintendents in the department of scientific temperance instruction and all persons interested. Wall rolls 5 cents each. Bright, up-to-date literature, in packages, at 10 cents. Order of Mrs. Adah W. White, State superintendent, Oxford, Benton county.

The Economy W. C. T. U. held memorial services in honor of our beloved Frances E. Willard, on March 20, at the M. E. church at 3 p. m. The music was furnished by the M. E. choir. The young ladies decorated the church. The addresses and poems were of a high order. A deep solemnity prevailed all the service and all seemed pleased to have the privilege of partaking. In the evening, by invitation, Mrs. Stanley delivered an address upon the life of Miss Willard at Modoc for the Christian Endeavor.

## SOUTH BEND COLFAX AVE.

Colfax ave. (South Bend) W. C. T. U. can report two new members since State convention, Mrs. M. G. Huey and Mrs. Emma Hunt; also two honoraries, Rev. Will C. Coad and Chas. F. Holler. Mrs. Smith secured Mrs. Huey at convention and Mrs. Hunt since, while Mrs. Shoutz brought in the honoraries.

Mrs. Gorsuch, our Supt. of S. S. department, assisted by members of all Unions, especially Colfax, arranged a Sunday school temperance rally, preceded by pledge signing. The red, white and blue cards were secured from National superintendent and given out in 15 Sunday schools for signing March 20. Fourteen of these schools took hold of the work heartily and at the rally held at First Baptist church, April 3, fully 1,200 signed cards strung on white ribbon, making about 120 yards, decorated the church. Six Sunday schools and junior societies were represented on the program of songs and recitations, and everything was up-to-date temperance. Rev. C. D. Case made brief but excellent remarks, even speaking strongly against alcohol even as medicine.

Thirty of the unsigned pledge cards were taken by one of our public school teachers for use in her room—fifth grade. She was in your audience at Christian Endeavor at First Presbyterian Church that convention evening.

In his wonderful memorial sermon for Miss Willard, Rev. Case urged that \$500 be sent from South Bend toward awakening the Temple—Willard Temple—and a fitting monument for our great and loved Miss Willard. Some of our women are setting to work determinedly and systematically to accomplish this.

Colfax Union hold a monthly Mothers' meeting, serving solid refreshments for mind and soul and light refreshments for the bodies. We always have some visitors, and trust good seed is sown.

Colfax Avenue Union is small but active. I knew you would be glad to know of even this little work done by your followers of Colfax Avenue W. C. T. U. of South Bend. MRS. M. J. WELD,  
Secretary.

Cass County (Ind.) W. C. T. U. held its semi-annual convention and institute in Galveston, March 15. Miss Mary Hadley was with us all day and delivered an address in the evening, which won for our cause much sympathy and many friends. We had with us through the day and evening five ministers, who assisted and encouraged us in every way possible. The young men of Galveston favored us with some excellent music and departed themselves in such a gentlemanly manner that they won the admiration of all the visiting delegates. The young ladies deserve special mention for their untiring efforts for the success of the convention, furnishing music and assisting to serve free meals to the members of the W. C. T. U. and their families and the visitors.

Rev. Green and wife are unsurpassed in hospitality and co-operation and Galveston may congratulate herself in her pulpits representatives all around.

Our County President, Mrs. Geary, may congratulate herself for the evidences of success, in this her first convention. M. E. GOULD,  
Recording Secretary.

The Geneva W. C. T. U. has recently had an uplift in the presence and work of Mother Trish, Assistant State Evangelist. Mother Trish spent about two weeks here in February assisting the M. E. pastor in special meetings. Union day meetings of the Methodist Episcopal and United Brethren churches were well attended and wonderfully helpful. One Sunday afternoon was given to a temperance mass meeting. The W. C. T. U. had charge of the meeting. The church was crowded with an attentive audience, that listened for over an hour to Mother Trish's intensely interesting experience as a crusader. Mother Trish also addressed a mothers' meeting, where her true, searching words must have helped many a heart in the large audience of women who gathered to hear her. During her stay Geneva Union was strengthened by the addition of twenty-six active and fourteen honorary members, making a total membership of forty-five active and about twenty honorary members.

Memorial services were held February 27 in honor of the memory of our beloved Miss Willard. The program consisted of the usual devotional exercises, appropriate music, an address on Miss Willard's work, a paper on her life, reading of a memorial poem from the *Signal* and an extract from Miss Willard's last annual address. At the close, resolutions adopted by our Union were read and afterward printed in our column in the *Geneva Herald*.

MARY FULLER ASH,  
Secretary.

Hartford City Union wants to be known as a live Union doing aggressive work. In February we decided to hold gospel temperance meetings in different churches once each month; the first one was held in Grant T. M. E. Mission Chapel. Two signed the pledge. A very active Loyal Legion has been conducted in the church for two years every Sunday afternoon and the people were prepared to take a bold stand. March 20 our second meeting was held in Grace M. E. Church.

A very impressive Willard memorial service was held in Grace church, which was largely attended. Our beloved president, Mrs. Stahl, presided at all these meetings. We hear of good results from our libraries in the jail and county poor farm. One young man told me he had read every one of Dickens' books and many magazines and papers during the five weeks he was awaiting trial. Hoping for better work in the future, I am,  
COUNTY SECRETARY PRESS WORK.

The Bloomington Union is still actively at work, even though the world hears so seldom from us. We recently sent a MESSAGE club of twelve. One reason, and a very important one it is, for the success of our work, is the faithfulness of a few of our members. Another is the loyalty of the many friends, both men and women, of the city. Our treasury is kept from being empty largely by collections taken at our quarterly Union meetings and our contests. Two we held were by members of the high school and our last one by married ladies. We have been fortunate at all to have an orchestra of home talent, which cost us very little. Our city papers advertise these meetings without charge. So with a good audience we have good financial results. Besides all these things we have a faithful ministry to stand with us. We believe, though we meet discouragements, that through Christ, our leader, we will be victorious. MRS. T. J. CLARK,  
President.

Wabash Union held a gospel temperance meeting in the M. E. Church while its pastor was attending Conference, the evening of March 27.

Our Superintendent of Literature, Miss Georgiana Moser, Loogootee, has sent out a leaflet. It is very suggestive to her local workers. Thank God for the young women who lend us their hearts and brains.



## OUR PLANS. OUR PREMIUMS. OUR OPPORTUNITIES.

Because space in the MESSAGE is so valuable again we urge you, dear White Ribbon sisters, to read Plan of Work on page 46 of our Annual Minutes and the November MESSAGE.

**Membership**—The three persons sending in the three largest lists for members whose dues are paid, not including honoraries, shall each be made a life member of the State W. C. T. U.

**Subscriptions to the MESSAGE**—The person sending in the largest list of subscribers shall be made a life member of our State W. C. T. U. The second person sending the second largest list shall be alternate to the delegate-at-large to the National Convention next fall. The one sending the third largest list shall receive their choice of Miss Willard's books.

**"Six Papers of Note"**—No. 1, to be written by local or county presidents. Subject: "Financial History and Policy of the Indiana W. C. T. U." No. 2, by any local or county secretary. Subject: "History of Noted Events in Our Several Annual Meetings" No. 3, by any local or county superintendent. Subject: "Department Work." Nos. 4 and 5, Y and L. T. L. secretaries. Subject: "Y and L. T. L. Work." No. 6. Subject: "Biography of Indiana W. C. T. U. White Ribboners." No State officer or organizer can write on any of these subjects. The papers must not occupy over ten minutes' time. The time limit is August 15, at noon. All No. 1 papers must be sent by that time to the chairman of a committee of three, Mrs. Emma J. Clark, Bloomington; No. 2 papers to Mrs. Mary C. Lieb, 21 W. 12th street, Anderson; No. 3 papers to Mrs. Adah W. White, Oxford, Benton county; No. 4, the Y papers, to Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 W. 14th street, Anderson; No. 5, L. T. L. papers, to Mrs. Amanda R. Gordon, Argos, Marshall county, and No. 6 papers to Mrs. Elma Emmerson, South Whitley, Whitley county, all of Indiana.

The best paper of Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be given place on the State program at our annual meeting and the writer be written up in the city papers, unless there is objections. We trust these papers will then be printed in leaflet form for wider circulation. Every county should be ambitious to have at least one paper of each number written in their county. This work will certainly add to the general knowledge and intelligence of our women. The papers that can not be read at State meeting will certainly be valuable and useful in the meetings of the Unions, and for the general public.

A Roll of Honor for the counties that attempt to carry out the Plan of Work—No county will appear on the roll who fails to have a showing of 50 per cent or one-half. Every county should strive to be No. 1 on this roll.

**National Delegates**—The counties will be grouped as usual for choosing National Delegates, but the county in the several groups which has organized the largest number of Unions, shall choose the delegate out of their county, and the county that has the next largest number will choose the alternate.

**Life Membership**—Again we remind you of this plan to create a fund for organizing new territory. Is there no one who can give their attention to this? Last year we had three; we certainly should do better this year. You will read more of this on page 22 of the Annual Minutes.

**Department Fund—Quarterly Meetings—Program** for first quarter in the January MESSAGE, for second quarter in the March MESSAGE. See Annual Minutes, page 23.

Unions, whose every member takes the MESSAGE, are entitled to a copy of the *Union Signal*, free to such person as they shall designate. To save time, avoid confusion and conserve sweetness, send your subscriptions and money to the business manager, Mrs. Mary E. Sims, 3350 Central avenue, Indianapolis. The articles for the MESSAGE to Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.

Do not fail to copy petition for the Suffrage Amendment, as found in the report of the Executive Committee, and confer with Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, superintendent of this department, enclosing a stamp.

Mrs. Tompkins has a fine leaflet and Bible reading on Christian Citizenship which should be in the hands of every Union.

## MEDAL WORKERS,

What think you of this record? Westland, Hancock county, since March 21, 1898, has held six silver contests. Net proceeds, \$31.85. They write that on each occasion that the stage was decorated with our World's and State motto and our flag. Miss Ella Rule was in charge.

The general officers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union during their councils at Chicago, considered the needs of the work and the immediate policy. They decided to send out immediately the letter prepared by Miss Willard for the wealthy people of the country, in which she solicited contributions for the retiring of the \$300,000 worth of Temple Trust bonds. This plan was outlined by Miss Willard at the convention in Buffalo, and the preparation of this letter was one of the last acts of her life. The money raised was to be placed in the hands of Miss Cornelia M. Dow, who is custodian of the fund, and is to be drawn out only on order of the general officers, when enough money shall be secured to retire the bonds. It is purposed by the general officers to place the matter in the hands of some woman of influence in each large city, who shall personally interview the people of wealth.

(Miss Cornelia M. Dow, the daughter of our promoted and well respected and beloved Neal Dow, must be addressed at Portland, Me.—Ed.)

## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Della Lindley is proving herself to be a very competent county superintendent of press work. She urges every Union to get space in their local papers, and there are plenty of them in Grant county. If it is only a few inches, accept it and keep it full, afterwards clipping out their items and preserving by the scrap-book method, which makes a splendid record of work done as well as a record of dates, events and statistics.

Eliza Baker will visit all of her Unions and build them up in the faith and duly install the Y's in their lines of work.

Fairmount and Upland are planning to observe their anniversary. Would that all Unions would do the same.

Mrs. Overman of Marion, is planning an entertainment with Mrs. Squires and baby; proceeds to be used for her own special line of work.

Fairmount has opened a reading room and the best dailies, weeklies and monthlies the country affords are found on its table.

Rutler, the baby Union of DeKalb county, only six months old, entertained the institute.

Pleasant Lake, of Steuben county, has one church with a W. C. T. U. window, and every church in Angola has a W. C. T. U. window.

Francisville had a \$20 house at the institute cost.

Loogootee Union held a parlor meeting, which was well attended. Mrs. Balch and Mrs. Cammack were both present, encouraging the membership and telling of the great need for more consecrated women to stand against the liquor traffic and its attendant evils.

April 22 Mrs. Balch visited the Hindostan Union, and on that evening she addressed a large audience.

The Martin county institute was held at Loogootee. The attendance included all the ministers, the county superintendent of schools, Editor Motsinger and the Hon. Senator Houghton.

Mrs. Cammack attended nine out of the ten institutes held in the first district and great satisfaction is expressed with her work. She will give Steuben, Delaware and other counties each a week's work when she returns from the 4th district.

At Bedford Mrs. W. H. Holcombe holds a monthly union gospel temperance meeting with Epworth League, Christian Endeavor and Baptist Y. P. C.

Mrs. Mary Alexander disposed of twelve copies of Miss Willard's picture in the memorial number of the *Union Signal*. Some of them outside of the Union.

Clinton County reports 42 delegates and 39 visitors attended the institute; voted to renew the subscription of the *Union Signal* and MESSAGE for editors of four county papers, also each Union pledged itself to take as many copies of the MESSAGE as they had members in the Union. They have eight superintendents now, three last year; 74 columns furnished the press in the last six months.

Sedalia ministers both preached sermons for the Union; both read the *Union Signal*. This Union has sent its two dollars to the National Treasury. It made a scrap book to be placed in a railroad caboose. Held a mothers' meeting of unusual interest April 6.

An experience: A Local President said we prepared programs and served lunch and added to our membership, but the women did not come to us because of conviction, but because they had a pleasant social time. They never made good working members; they did not stand for our principles; they were not a source of strength, but of weakness. Get your members because of a conviction.

Some very valuable statistics were given at the institute in Martin County, held in Shoals. Many think our public schools could not exist except for the license money from the saloon. The superintendent giving the statistics mentioned gave the number of days of school in four townships paid for by saloon revenue. In one township this money added ten days of school, in another seven. The other townships had a still less number.

Wabash Union has appointed Mrs. Frank Searles Y secretary.

Peru has a Union of ten members and two honorary, organized by Mrs. Anna Kilmer, state superintendent of foreign speaking people. President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer; corresponding and recording secretary, Miss Mary Sharp, and treasurer, Mrs. Emma Davidson.

Wayne county institute was held at South Eighth street Friends' church, Richmond. Mrs. Clara Hoffman, of Missouri, spoke the evening of the 18th. Subject, "What Hinders?"

Mrs. Adah W. Unruh organized Unions at Scottsburg and Crothersville. The following officers were elected for Scottsburg: President, Mrs. Cammer Thomas; corresponding secretary, Miss Clara Bridgewater; recording secretary, Mrs. Gusta Wilson; treasurer, Mrs. Alice Colvin; eighteen members and six honoraries. Crothersville officers are: President, Mrs. G. M. Beldon; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jennie Hyatt; recording secretary, Miss Lucy Kelly; treasurer, Mrs. Savilla Richter; eleven members and five honoraries.

Mrs. Emma Sayler, president Clinton county, recently organized a colored Union of six members in Frankfort. It is named in honor of our National president, Lillian Stevenson. The officers are: Presi-

dent, Mrs. Nannie Radcliffe; vice-president, Mrs. Parker; corresponding secretary, Miss Myrtle Parker; treasurer, Mrs. Dorcas Clark.

Mrs. Belle Flowers, of 163 S. West street, Shelbyville, Ind., has returned to our State after an absence of five years in the South. The President of Texas W. C. T. U. writes that Mrs. Flowers served the Texas Union efficiently as State Superintendent of Narcotics and Non-Alcoholics in Medicine, and that she "has the ability to make things come to pass." We welcome our sister back to Indiana.

Mrs. Ellen Dayton Blair, the National L. T. L. chalk talker, will be in our State in June. Terms, \$5.00 and expenses. She leaves an L. T. L. in nearly all places visited. She goes into the public schools and Sunday Schools, gives brief chalk talks free as a means of securing a crowd of children, with many of their parents, in the evening, which never fails. Many Unions will desire her services. All such, please write to Mrs. Amanda R. Gordon, Argos, Ind.

## FURTHER EXTRACTS OF EXECUTIVE MINUTES OF MARCH 8 AND 9.

**Editors of the Voice**—The Indiana W. C. T. U., in its annual Mid-Year Executive session, extend to you their appreciation of your efforts to purifying college towns from rum and brothels, and assure you that the stir you have made will cause wise parents and guardians to make careful inquiry before sending their young people to institutions of learning; and they will certainly prefer those that are awake to these evils and alive to the protection of their students from them. We beg you to continue the righteous disclosure. Let on the light.

Moved by Miss Sears, that at our next State convention we make a change in article III of the constitution of the Y. W. C. T. U., thus breaking down sex lines and having equal rights enjoyed as in C. E., E. L. and B. Y. P. U. societies.

Approved, That local and county treasurers' books be prepared by the State.

The suggestions on "Six Papers of Note," given by the Central committee and printed in the November MESSAGE, were reviewed and the following persons were appointed as chairmen of a committee of three, she, the chairman, being instructed to select two available women to assist her in deciding upon the merits of the papers: On the papers received from the presidents, Mrs. Emma J. Clark, Bloomington; from secretaries, Mrs. Mary Leib, Anderson; for departments, Mrs. Adah White, Oxford; for L. T. L., Mrs. Amanda Gordon, Argos; for Y work, Miss Clara Sears, Anderson; the Individual, Mrs. Elma Emerson.

Recommended, That the women provide themselves with copies of back minutes for the necessary information. Back numbers may be had for the postage.

Girls may be solicited as members of the W. C. T. U. and their dues may be met by a fund provided for this purpose.

Recommended, That temperance entertainments, contests, etc., be given to provide this fund.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK,  
Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Lucy Thurman, National Superintendent of Work Among Colored People, is doing most excellent work in our State. She spoke in eleven colored churches; in some of them twice. At Simpson Chapel a beautiful reception was tendered her and the State Officers after her address, by the Epworth League of that church. Rev. Scissle and wife and Lawyer Hill, President Epworth League, were most gracious hosts. Much enthusiasm prevails. Great good was accomplished.

Rockport Union is about prepared to open a reading room—a counter attraction to those who frequent saloons and other vile places. This place is also to serve as headquarters, for the Union it is to have an abiding place.

Shelbyville W's and Y's held a most delightful parlor meeting in the home of Mrs. Handy, and this sister was presented with some pieces of fine cut-glass.

"Is Alcohol a Stimulant?" was the subject discussed at a parlor meeting held by the Greensburg Union. All the physicians in the city were invited. After an interesting program, refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

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## LADY HENRY SOMERSET, WORLD'S W. C. T. U. PRESIDENT.

Isabel, Lady Henry Somerset, was born in 1851. She is the eldest daughter of Earl and Countess Somers of Eastnor Castle, Ledbury, in Herefordshire, England. Three miles from the grand old market town of Ledbury is Eastnor Castle, beautiful for situation, majestic in character and historic in surroundings. In sight is the Herefordshire Beacons, the highest point on the Malvern Range, one of the strongest hill fortresses in Britain. For ages the same summit of this hill has been used for beacon-fires, whose heats have charred its ranges. At the approach of the Spanish Armada,

Twelve countries saw the blaze  
On Malvern's lonely heights,

and Eastnor Castle is the home of one who to-day stands as a beacon-light, not only for England, but for the world.

Having no brothers, Lady Henry Somerset succeeded to the inheritance of the vast estate of her father. The family has been long owners in County Kent, certainly as far back as the thirteenth century, and it numbers many illustrious men and women.

Born thus to an inheritance of culture, refinement and wealth, married in 1872 to Lord Somerset, second son of the Duke of Beaufort, receiving the crown of motherhood in 1874 by the birth of her only child, Lady Henry Somerset seemed to have all that the world can give. Her life was passed in the gayest of England's most aristocratic society, and with it she seemed content until 1885. What heavenly breezes swept her soul then we do not know, but the result is manifest. Amid all of life's gayety, she had felt deep spiritual longings, and now these spoke to her soul imperatively; she listened to this heavenly voice, turned her back upon London and its gayeties and went to Eastnor Castle, there to spend several months with her Bible and God. She came forth from this

possessions in the east of London as well as in the beautiful hills of Kent that we have described, her tenants in the city numbering nearly one hundred thousand. Over these she felt her heart stirring like that of a mother, and she, who had been the light of the West End drawing-rooms, now went to the London missions to seek and save those that were lost. Lady Henry became one of the chief supporters of the great work undertaken by Rev. Hugh Price Hughes in St. James Hall. She went to him and offered to receive into her country home some of the destitute souls in the slums of Soho; she gave fetes to probably ten thousand poor people at a time; so Eastnor Castle had new visitors.

Mrs. Hannah Whitall Smith seems to have been the connecting link between Lady Henry Somerset and the British Women's Temperance Association. (Mrs. Smith went to Ledbury to give a series of Bible Readings. Here they met and communed concerning the things of the Kingdom and each discovered in the other a kindred spirit.) When God led Lady Henry into this wide sphere, He touched her lips with a coal from off the altar of inspiration. There is something fresh and unhackneyed about her expressions. She comes into the philanthropies from another sphere and has learned none of the accustomed phrases. She takes broad views of the situation (and does not shrink from bringing temperance into politics by laying the responsibility upon the voters.) As editor of the *Woman's Signal*, as administrator, and as leader of the British Women's Temperance Association, she is wielding an immense influence on the side of right and truth. Lady Henry stands to-day in the foreground of modern reform, a radical of radicals, an orator among orators, all her varied gifts of mind and personality set apart—"not to be ministered unto, but to minister." "Few women," says Miss Willard, "have wrought so much good in space so brief; we are but at the beginning of the story, and if life and health are spared for twenty years, it will be written that while the men of England had their Shaftesbury, its women had their Somerset."

Upon her first visit to this country in 1891, to attend the World's Convention in Boston, she made for herself an enduring place in the hearts of American white-ribboners, and each succeeding visit has intensified their love and admiration. They love her first of all for her own sake—for her sweet graciousness and her beautiful consecration to a holy cause—and they love her for her sisterly ministrations to their Chieftain at a most critical time. Indeed, the names of Frances Willard and Lady Henry Somerset will ever be linked together in the thought of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union as its two great leaders.

## CANTEENS.

The mother who has a boy in the National camps now has reason for being much concerned in regard to the liquor selling near the camps. At best camp life is not conducive to good morals. It is time now for every mother, whose boy is in camp, and every W. C. T. U. Union, to write a letter and send petitions to President McKinley, Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., and to Major-General Nelson A. Miles, War Department, Washington, D. C., urging them to issue orders forbidding the sale or use of liquor in the camps, or the sale of liquor near the camps. Let nothing prevent you from attending to this immediately. Many Unions in

Indiana can send one thousand names. Try it. For the sake of humanity our Government must be made to realize that it must not favor the liquor power.

Some member of every Union should be given opportunity at the next meeting to read extracts from a letter written by our National Superintendent of Legislation, Mrs. Margaret Ellis, as given on the first page

in *Union Signal* of May 19th. This should also be published in every newspaper, read in the prayer meetings, missionary meetings, etc. It should be proclaimed aloud.

THIS IS THE CLOSING of the third quarter of our year, and there is great need of each officers' faithful efforts. Each local treasurer should either see personally or send a note to every member whose dues are still unpaid. If this is done our membership will show a big increase. Benton County has fifty new members that have paid dues. A few in each Union will increase the total for the County. If for any reason the treasurer cannot attend to the collecting of the dues, the President should appoint some one for that work.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL—Our Hadley Industrial School is in great need of money. We owe nearly one thousand dollars, which is greatly needed now.

Unions that are interested in this school should send a donation of money to the treasurer, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind.

The gift of the farm is for an endowment fund. When the farm is sold the money is to be invested for the school, the income only to be used. This is a practical and appreciated plan. The \$800 received was immediately paid on the debt on the building, leaving about \$60 yet due on that. Besides this we owe about \$900. Do please help us pay this very soon.

Could you see the workings of the school, know the worthy needy girls there, surely you would help.

FOURTH OF JULY—Wherever possible County Unions should arrange for a big Fourth of July celebration, extending invitations to all Sunday Schools, Young Peoples' Societies, etc. A program, consisting of representative speakers from the different organizations, including one on temperance, with excellent music, if well advertised, will be well attended. Such an occasion will afford a splendid opportunity for distribution of literature. At 15 cents per hundred, who can't afford to buy one hundred leaflets to distribute?

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters—I am encouraged at the progress of our work. In attending Institutes and making short trips out into the field, I find a wide-spread desire among the Unions to push on the battle, realizing that, notwithstanding our Chieftain has fallen, the conflict wages, and there is need of a united, persistent effort to go on if we will eventually become victors. The Liquor Traffic is a mighty and determined foe, with unlimited financial backing. It has acknowledged that it has nothing in this country to fear except the W. C. T. U. Well it may fear the united efforts of the motherhood and sisterhood of the land. Our greatest need is more faith in God and the efforts of more consecrated Christian women. Frequently women tell me they have not been invited to join the W. C. T. U. Every Union should have an annual crusade for membership, at which time every woman in the community should be invited to join. Our Hadley Industrial School is in great need of funds for immediate necessities. From many Unions let there be sent some money right away. This School must be cared for.

Every County should begin now to plan for a State or National worker for September. Give an entertainment, secure some money, engage a worker who will also add to your treasury. Thus plan largely for your work and you will receive benefits accordingly.

Urge the Suffrage Petition work. It will require constant effort from now until January 1, 1899, to secure the signatures needed to accomplish our aim. Every member should help.

The President of the American Anti-Saloon League, the Hon. Hiram Price, sent a letter of appeal to the President in behalf of the army and navy boys who are furnished with free drinks by the saloonkeepers of New York.

Mr. Price thinks this action of the liquor sellers is a "sham show of generosity to popularize their miserable business." He hopes that Mr. McKinley will take action against it.

This subject needs to be agitated everywhere until the American manhood is aroused sufficiently to stand for the good health and morals of our army and navy.

Faithfully,  
L. F. McWHIRTER

FLOWER MISSION DAY, JUNE 9. WHAT PREPARATION TO OBSERVE IT?



interval of solitude the daughter of a King. The duty lying nearest her was the welfare of a large tenantry. At the very threshold of her care for these people she was confronted with the drink problem. This made her a temperance woman and worker. In 1885, in the little village of Ledbury, at her castle gates, she signed the pledge with forty of her tenants. She had large



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

The MESSAGE comes to you each month laden with good will and hearty cheer. Please send it items of interest. The MESSAGE ought to be read by every White Ribboner in our State, and will be, if we work for it.

## FRANCHISE.

The old proverb, "No excellence without great labor," will apply with wonderful force in the Franchise Department work throughout the State of Indiana. No Superintendent of that department. I exhort those lovely and noble women, who have been entrusted with this gospel as County Superintendents, to do their most valiant work this present year. Make the Suffrage sentiment grow amazingly this whole year by holding Franchise Contests, by using the press, by taking men and women by the hand and talking Woman's Ballot; and, above all, by circulating "The Petition." The County Superintendent has already selected her two helpers in each Union, I have no doubt, and these women must have begun the work by this time.

Lest there should be one who is not yet at work, and does not know just how to begin, I will ask them to look in the first column on the third page of the April MESSAGE and note "The following form to the General Assembly in '99." It is thus: "We, the undersigned citizens of ..... (then fill in with your own town) County ....., in the State of Indiana, pray the proposal and passage by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, at its session in the year 1899, of an amendment to section 2, article 11, of the constitution of the State of Indiana, striking out the word male therein."

Copy this petition and get all the signers possible. Get the name of every man in your county if you can. Make heroic efforts. Let us roll up the greatest number of names that ever was sent to a General Assembly in any state. If we begin now it will not be hard work to get the women, too. Let us keep in mind from day to day that "nothing succeeds like success," and success comes through persistent labor. Let us be in earnest prayer every day to God, that only can give victory for the enfranchisement of the women of the State of Indiana, for the putting away of the liquor traffic from our State and Nation, and the coming of His Kingdom into all our hearts and homes.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent Franchise.

## FORM OF PETITION.

No. 1. To the Senate of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899.

No. 2. To the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899.

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Voters.

Women.

Copy this petition form twice, address one to the Senate and the other to the House of Representatives. Ask each person to sign both. These are two distinct bodies and a petition is needed for each.

## HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters—I trust that many of you (according to promise) have interviewed your legislative representatives regarding the necessity of a food inspector. You remember this bill passed the Senate at the last term, and we must keep agitating until our law-makers recognize its importance and our sincerity of purpose. Let them know that our National and State chemists assert that the adulteration of food is well nigh universal in every State where there is no pure food law; that as W. C. T. U. workers we recognize the relation of pure food to temperate habits of living, and vice versa. Hence, as a part of our work from a scientific standpoint, they must not deprive us of this aid in the building up in our children of healthful physiques, one of the strongest

weapons with which to combat the forces of the saloon. The day has already arrived when we will be classed as back numbers unless we show our comprehension of the results of scientific research as one of the fundamental laws of correct living. This knowledge will not only attract to us cultured companionship, but those in quest of knowledge as well. We are also asking that there be incorporated in the curriculum of the public schools some of the more practical phases of life, as is being done in Massachusetts and a few of the other States and all the leading foreign countries.

We are full of praise for the better class of foreign laborers, simply because no lad is allowed to grow up without taking a course in manual labor, no girl without learning to sew, cook and other duties that are sure to come to her during life.

Will you not kindly report to me at your earliest opportunity what encouragement you have received from the members of our coming legislature, as everything along this line of work depends upon an appropriation from it? Yours to serve,

MARY A. MOODY,

Superintendent Department of Household Economics.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

GRANT COUNTY—Spring Convention and Institute was held at Deer Creek, May 4th. Miss Mary Hadley, leader of Institute. Miss Hadley said that Grant county's convention had the largest day session she had attended, even larger than Marion county's. There were 105 voting delegates and 9 honoraries present, besides many visitors. Convention was called to order by the President. Devotional conducted by Ida Winslow. Press Reporters and Committee on Courtesies were appointed.

Miss Hadley was introduced to the convention and given the usual salute. She responded with good tidings of the work and said that interest in our work is increasing. Organization is the keynote of our work now. How can we best build it up? Miss Hadley suggested many ways by which we may reach out and gather material for this great building. Miss Sears, State Y Secretary, was present and participated in the discussion. She urged the Unions to interest the young ladies in the Y. W. C. T. U. work. "Our Literature" was also discussed by Miss Hadley and others.

Divisions of Plan of Work: Subjects—L. T. L., Ida Winslow, "Feed My Lambs."

Life Membership Plan, Ora Winslow. She suggested plans for making money to carry on the work, closing her paper by saying, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel."

Red Letter Days, Institute Work and The Stirring Campaign were all discussed, especially The Stirring Campaign. Miss Hadley wished that the campaign be pushed in the interest of Suffrage this year.

Recitation, Ethel Coggeshall.

Bible Reading, Mary Hadley.

Introduction of Fraternal Delegates. Mr. Frazier, Pastor of the Christian church of Marion, an honorary member, was introduced.

Afternoon Devotional, Mary Baldwin.

Organization of Women. Miss Hadley spoke quite freely of the different clubs and society circles of women. The discussion was by the executive body, opened by Eunice Wilson. They all admitted that while some of them belonged to different clubs and organizations, that the principal one, and the one that laid nearest the heart, was the organization of the W. C. T. U.

An interesting paper on Narcotic and Scientific Temperance was read by Rachel Lewis, of Fairmount.

"A Few Things Accomplished. What Next?" Louisa Rush. There is a wonderful change in the lines of work in the past forty years. She wondered if the women have actually crowded out the men. Of the societies and churches that are composed of both sexes, three-fourths are women. Some things that have been accomplished: Scientific Temperance Law, Raising the Age of Consent, We Have Gained the Respect of the World, Every Nation Has Opened Its Doors to the W. C. T. U., We Have Made the Saloon-Keeper Tremble. What next? That we devote greater energy to gain more power at the ballot box. And the one thing needful is a baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Two nice willow rocking chairs, all trimmed in white ribbon and bows, were presented to Eunice Wilson (our President) and her husband by the members of the Grant County W. C. T. U. Miss Hadley made the presentation speech.

Shall Indiana Have Equal Suffrage in this Century? was ably discussed by honorary members. Miss Hadley recommends a Legislative Committee, appointed in the different local Unions, to help to push the Suffrage Campaign work to its utmost.

"Stray Leaves of Current Events," by Emma McManaman, was interesting.

Introduction of Babies being a special feature of the Grant County Convention, two babies were introduced. Miss Hadley said that she knew that Grant county was bound to be ahead. We surprised Miss Hadley. We had a Baby Union without a name, but had been promised one at this convention. So a committee was appointed; they retired, then returned with the name Hadley. Miss Hadley thanked them and promised the baby a new dress of her very best production.

Recitation, Shurlon Shugart.

After a few appropriate remarks by the President, Miss Hadley and Miss Sears, our convention adjourned.

Evening address by Miss Hadley on "The Attitude of the Church Toward the Saloon." The Goliath of

Rum is in the field with a challenge. Whereshall we find a sling and a David to go out to meet him?

Two splendid recitations were given by Mr. Alfred Hogston and Miss Nellie Shugart. Music furnished by Miss Edna Coggeshall and others. RENA P. SMITH, Recording Secretary.

HOWARD COUNTY INSTITUTE was held at Sims, April 12 and 13, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, leader. All the Unions of the county were well represented. Mrs. Lida Outland, County President, did all possible to make it interesting for all present.

The morning bible reading by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins was on Christian Citizenship.

Devotional exercises, Tuesday afternoon, were conducted by Mrs. Hendry, of Kokomo.

In the evening, Mrs. Tompkins' lecture on "Law and Habit" was well received by a full house.

Devotion, Wednesday morning, was led by Mrs. Hopkins.

Papers on the "Organizations of Women," "Preventive and Educational Measures," "Curfew Law," "No License Ballot vs. Gold Cure," "Industrial Training and Rescue Work," "Stray Leaves of Current Events," etc., were all interesting and edifying, each paper being well discussed.

The afternoon session was devoted to receiving reports of officers and superintendents, showing a good amount of work done throughout the county.

Memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Louie Kightlinger, of Greentown.

The evening's program consisted of a Franchise Contest for silver medal, Miss Turner carrying off the prize, the contest being conducted by Mrs. Amy P. Rindge, County Superintendent of Franchise.

The Phlox Quartet added much enthusiasm to the convention. Mr. Pendleton and Mr. Ellis also contributed interesting recitations.

MRS. AMY P. RINDGE,

County Recording Secretary.

DEKALB COUNTY INSTITUTE was held at Butler, April 8th and 9th, Mrs. M. O. Cammack, leader. The Institute opened by devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Ehlers, of Auburn, followed by a welcome address by Mrs. Eva Kenestruck, of Butler. Responded to by several members of the Institute. Miss Laura Keeran, of Auburn, gave an interesting history of the organization. Indiana Plan of Work was discussed by many. Mrs. Addie Sewell spoke on Red Letter Days, emphasizing the benefits from their observance. "Shall Indiana Have Equal Suffrage in this Century" was ably discussed. Rev. Fred Thomas led in the discussion. Lecture in the evening by Mrs. Cammack, which was interesting and instructive.

The Semi-Annual County Convention was held on the day following. Twelve departments reported much work accomplished. An excellent program was carried out. All of which reflects great credit upon the County President and her efficient corps of officers.

WESTERN GROVE—Superintendent of the Hadley Home is a woman of intense persistency. She has in the last two months, through arduous toil, self-sacrificing devotion and untiring perseverance, succeeded in placing in the Hadley school, two little girls, aged respectively 9 and 7, the eldest of a family of seven children. She appealed for help to the Township Trustee for clothing for the children, who responded in part, the Union supplying what was lacking. Then she showed her magnanimity by taking these children into her own home while their clothes were being made up by members of the Union, and then accompanied them to the school.

At our last meeting we appointed a committee to investigate whether the provisions of the Cigarette law are violated in our community.

A Temperance sermon was preached by a member of the Union, and one is arranged for in the future on Systematic Giving. The pastor of Western Grove preached a very impressive sermon on the life of Frances Willard.

Our meetings are held once a month; business meetings once a quarter. With the multitudinous cares incident upon a busy country woman's life, it seems impossible to get together oftener. This is but a report in part of the work of the last three months, but space in the dear little MESSAGE forbids further account.

## (Program No. 3.)

QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT MEETING for June, 1898: Use White Ribbon Hymnal and No. 1 Marching Songs. Bring the children in marching and singing, carrying flags and banners.

Page 38—"Onward we are Marching, Alcohol to Fight."

Audience stand and join with children repeating Lord's Prayer.

Page 10—"Now's the Time for You," by the children.

Seat the children in a body at one side of platform. Song Page 19—"Save our Land."

Bible Reading by Union—"Keep Sweet." (July Number, 1898.)

Prayer..... Solo..... "Will it Pay?" Page 20.

Ten minute paper on the Peace Department.

Discussion.

Ten minute paper on "Non-Alcoholic Medication."

Discussion.

Collection.

Solicit new members.

Distribute department leaflets—Peace, No. 31. No Alcoholic Medication, No. 231.

Close with Temperance Doxology and Benediction. May we not expect Unions to observe this Quarterly Department Meeting, using this program?—Ed.



**ELKHART COUNTY**—Press Superintendent, Mrs. A. P. Daub, writes: "Miss Anna Downey, Superintendent of Christian Citizenship of the National W. C. T. U., was present at a three days' Institute in Goshen, at which large and enthusiastic audiences were present. Miss Downey is a very talented and eloquent speaker, and many were the hearts she awakened to a higher and more noble purpose in life. Members of the Goshen Union put forth a great effort to have this Institute an entertaining as well as an educational feature, and the sessions throughout were interspersed with good vocal selections suitable for the occasion. Among the numbers rendered was the beautiful solo, "Gambling for Gold," dedicated to the W. C. T. U. of America by C. H. Addison, and should be sung in every home.

Middlebury Union held a Silver Medal contest on the evening of the anniversary of their organization. Mrs. Lantz secured the medal. Rev. B. F. Stultz, chairman for the Prohibitionists of Elkhart county, was present and was so much impressed that he gave an urgent invitation to repeat the program at Vistula, which they did April 16th, they had their second Silver Medal contest. Eight gentlemen were the contestants. H. O. Eldridge won the prize with an original oration, "On the Fence," which was very fine.

The liquor element is getting desperate and doing their best to throw discredit on our efforts to "sow beside all waters." It has been reported that there are more drunken men in Middlebury since the closing of the saloon than in a long time before. This is the work of the emissaries of Satan, but we must not only "stand, but withstand," having on "the whole armor of God," and we shall come off conquerors.

**CRAWFORD COUNTY OFFICERS**—President, Miss Cora J. Parr; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Miss Sarah Roberts; Treasurer, Miss Susan Roberts, all of Alton.

**TIPPECANOE COUNTY** held a two day's convention and Christian Citizenship Institute at LaFayette. Two National workers, Miss Anna Downey and Mrs. Lucy Thurman, also the State President, Mrs. McWhirter, were present.

The morning sessions were devoted to county convention work; the afternoon and evening to the Institute. Miss Downey delivered able addresses on the evening of April 13th, in the new West Side M. E. Church, the 14th and 15th in Trinity M. E. Church. Her addresses were scholarly efforts, logical throughout and well delivered. She shows herself to be at home on the platform, and has a good strong voice which can be heard in all parts of any auditorium. Trinity Church adjourned its prayer meeting and love feast, in deference to Miss Downey.

The day sessions were held in Willard Hall, the use of which was donated by the LaFayette Temperance Society. A good program had been prepared in advance, and Mrs. S. D. Curtiss, the County President, presided.

Mrs. Thurman spoke Sunday evening at Willard Hall to a full house; Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings she spoke in the colored churches. Wednesday evening she held a meeting for the women. Much interest is manifested among the colored people, and new members added to the Union. The colored people gave her a reception Friday evening at the home of Prof. Anderson. Mrs. Thurman will always be cordially welcomed by the people of LaFayette. Mrs. McWhirter's presence was a stimulus to the convention.

**VIGO COUNTY** held its Institute at Terre Haute in the Central Presbyterian church. Miss Mary Hadley leader. The Institute was well attended, considering that the Southern Indiana Teachers' Association was in session in the city at the same time. Space will not permit me to give the names of the writers of all papers. Some of our best ministers and lawyers were on the program. Rev. William Torrance, D. D., pastor of Central Presbyterian church, very ably led a discussion on Woman's Suffrage. Attorney Reichman read a fine paper on Sabbath Observance. Rev. Mountain, of Trinity M. E. Church, was to read a paper, but on account of the illness of his little daughter, was not able to be there.

Saturday afternoon the Semi-Annual Convention was held, led by the County President, Mrs. S. E. Joice.

The Suffrage contest was well attended. Music was rendered by children. The first prize was awarded to Mrs. Belle Murphy, a member of the West Side Union. The second to Miss Amy Mosier, a member of the Mary Hadley Y.

Miss Hadley remained over Sunday and completed the organization of a W. C. T. U. Union, which had been commenced by the county officers a few weeks before at the Allen A. M. E. church. The new Union starts out with thirteen members, with Mrs. Margaret E. Hill as President; Miss Emma Archer, Secretary, and Mrs. M. E. Canitup, Treasurer.

**WELLS COUNTY INSTITUTE** was held at Bluffton. Although it occupied but one day, it is safe to say that much good was accomplished. Miss Hadley was assisted by Mother Trish, of Warsaw, and the two loyal laborers handled their subjects intelligently and forcibly. The meeting was a grand one, and the Bluffton Union was increased by thirteen members. Among these were four honorary members—one was the pastor of the M. E. Church, and one the pastor of the Reformed Church. Good papers and reports of department work were read, and the interest increased at every session. The one day's work made us hungry for more, and we hope to appropriate our full quota of time in the spring of '99. The citizens here are becoming acquainted with our work, and grant us their

presence and approval. We are certainly "marching on," and hope to report large gains at our next annual convention.

Mrs. D. T. SMITH,  
County Cor.-Sec., Wells County.

**LETTER FROM OUR VALIANT STATE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, MRS. BALCH**—Institutes. Section four. Counties on the B. & O. S. W. railroad and those south of it in Indiana.

Mrs. Cammack and myself left home April 20 via Greencastle. Up to date, May 25, we have conducted institutes at Mitchell, Shoals, Petersburg, Princeton, Mt. Vernon, Hillsboro, Rockport, Tobinsport, Alton and New Albany, and Mrs. Cammack visited Knox County Institute, held at Freelandville. Four counties did not receive the institute and one changed schedule dates. We occupied these days organizing and visiting Unions. We have added to our roll of Unions, Winslow, Black's Chapel, Tobinsport and Rome, and Petersburg had an L. T. L. of 74 members organized during our visit there. At each institute, with one or two exceptions, members have been added, but I will not give the figures; we will wait and see how many pay dues. We have visited high schools and normals, and 21 students at different points signed a total abstinence pledge—several of them the triple pledge.

Mrs. Cammack has spoken in 12, and I have spoken in 10 churches on the Sabbath days. No one of these church audiences had less than 25 men present, some of them four times that number. At every institute a few men took part with papers and discussion—doctors, lawyers, teachers, ministers and ex-members of our legislature. The members of the Unions turned out well and entered into the work of the program with a relish and earnestness.

Four clubs for the *Union Signal* and *MESSAGE* have been sent in, 150 Willard buttons sold and several pictures.

At Tobinsport the prohibition brothers put out a small poster to advertise our meeting, paying for it. At New Albany, Rev. Parsons lettered a bulletin and put it at the church door, outside, that all the passers-by might be invited to come in.

We have held six Silver and two Gold Contests, as the program calls for. Total receipts, \$54.90 and by far the best audiences. Only for complimentaries a much larger amount would have been received. The Suffrage Contest at Rockport consisted of readings, original papers and recitations, the audience voting on the weight of argument. The result and effect were most satisfactory.

The petition for woman's full enfranchisement, written out in proper form, has been left at each place visited and a woman chosen to have the work in charge. The majority of every audience, where the vote was taken, was in favor of woman's ballot.

Three counties have Presidents by appointment, who will do their best to secure three Unions in time for the Fall Convention, when county officers will be elected. These counties are Pike, Perry and Floyd and each have two Unions already. The new Unions have W. C. T. U. agents, who take the *Union Signal* and *MESSAGE*.

Public schools are doing temperance work. Sunday schools and young people's church societies are teaching our principles and the leaven which woman hid in the three measures of meal. Church, State and society is leavening the whole lump. The outlook is hopeful.

MARY E. BALCH.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.



"At no time since the establishment of this home, has the outlook been as promising for its success as at present." This is the language of those living near the institution. This is as it should be. Noble gifts have recently been made. That of Mr. Richard F. Cox, of Hamilton county, deeding to Mrs. Margaret E. Cox a farm in trust, to be sold and proceeds to be invested and kept as an endowment fund. The income only to be used in paying the Superintendent and her assistants at the Home. This is a noble idea, and will be carried out to the letter. But it will take time to change the investment, and in the meantime very little, if any, income will be realized from it.

A donation of forty-four fruit trees of fine varieties of peach, pear, plum and apple, from Albertson & Hobbs, of the Bridgeport Nursery, was received in April. The trees were carefully planted, and are making a good start in growth. These added to those of last spring's planting, give promise of much good fruit in the future. The farm is yielding a surplus, but it is consumed in repairing fences, replacing worn out farming implements, paying farm hands, and keeping up table expenses for a family of eighteen. There is evidence that honesty and economy in management go hand in hand. We now have fifteen girls in the

home; the eldest being thirteen, the youngest six years of age. Their health and contentment seem first-class. It has not been thought necessary to call a physician into the home for nearly two years, no violent case of sickness having occurred. Beyond this I have no knowledge, not being associated with the workers of the Home before the time mentioned. Now dear patient sisters, let us find a blessing in giving this noble cause our united efforts in placing it on a higher plane. And as finance seems to be the medium of lifting all noble enterprises to completeness, let us not falter in this foundation principle.

Your prayers and good wishes we feel sure of, but we do need some of your money. Two of our worthy creditors have been obliged to mortgage their property to carry debts incurred for us. We have wiped out, through the help of Mrs. Hannah Clark, of Elkhart, nearly all the debt to the man who put up the building. The salaries of Superintendent and Matron have not been paid for several months. They have made no complaint, but have worked hard and earned their money. The W. C. T. U. of Indiana has been honored above other women by placing this home under their control. Let us not lack in our devotion to its interests.

LUCRETIA HOBART,  
President of Board.

**LETTER FROM DR. JOHN M. HALL**, the popular Summer Assemblyman—Mrs. Louise Rounds, President of the Illinois Union, will conduct the W. C. T. U. Institute at Bay View, Mich. She has had charge of this department of the Bay View work for five or six years, and in this time has built up there a department that is second to none in this country. Her program is always made up on most practical lines and the participants are representatives of the White Ribboners from Indiana and the adjoining states. The dates of the Institutes will be July 21st to 30th. Summer tourist tickets will be on sale at all Indiana points, and expenses at Bay View are \$4.00 per week for table board, with furnished rooms at from \$2.00 per week and upwards. Bay View is the site of the well-known Bay View Assembly and Summer University, whose programs and school work have a reputation throughout the country. These are all in session at the time of the W. C. T. U. Institute. Detailed information about Bay View and all its summer work can be had by applying to J. M. Hall, Flint, Mich., or, after June 15th, Bay View, Mich.

Sincerely,  
J. M. HALL,  
President Bay View Assembly.

**NEW MEMBERS**—Remington Union—Miss Claudine Scott, Miss Pearl Cook, Mrs. Rose Maston, Mrs. Rose Goff, Mrs. Lotte Topy. South Bend Colfax Avenue Union—Mrs. F. B. Kliphouse. LaPorte Union—Mrs. Wilkinson Martin, Miss Gennette Paxton, Mrs. Alice Abbott, Mrs. C. H. Van Pelt, Mrs. J. M. Reddington, Mrs. G. R. Tyerell, Miss Belle Westervelt, Mrs. C. L. Bovard, Mrs. Marie E. Bradley. Martinsville Union—Mrs. Hannah Hubbard, Mrs. West, Mrs. Belle Green, Mrs. Emma Skeggs, Mrs. Mary Graham. Loogootee Union—Miss Harriett McLeaky.

## HO! FOR INDIANA SUFFRAGE CAMPAIGN!

We are glad to note the great interest manifested in Indiana's campaign for woman's suffrage by our membership and others. Legislative committees have been chosen in many of the counties, and they are being districted for a vigorous and thorough canvass for signatures to our petition. Will counties, which have not chosen such a committee, do so at once and forward the names to our State Superintendent of the Department, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart? Such committee to be composed of a County Superintendent of Franchise and one superintendent and an associate from each local Union. Local Unions should make their appointments promptly. Said committee to have power to add to this committee, if necessary, until the committee is sufficiently large and so located as to get a poll of all voters and adult non-voters in the county. See elsewhere in this issue form of petition and plan for signatures, etc.

Much depends upon the use of literature. If we sow our State "knee deep in literature," we can hope for such results as came to Maine in its campaign for prohibition as planned and prosecuted by gallant Neal Dow.

We recommend an energetic use, by local Unions, of the May Responsive Readings on Franchise by the National Superintendent of the Department, Miss Brehm.

As a matter of economy in postage, this copy of Responsive Reading is sent out by the State Treasurer with her blanks to the County Treasurers to forward to the Local Treasurers. Let no Local Treasurer fail to see that this Responsive Reading reaches the first meeting of the local Union, after its reception, where it should be read and considered. The proclamation it contains from the Wyoming Legislature should be given a prominent place in local and county papers. If the program for your next Union meeting is full and can not be held in abeyance, we will suggest a special meeting of the Union be called in the interest of the business, proposed in this communication, that there may be no delay in the progress of our work.

On behalf of the work,  
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF FRANCHISE  
DEPARTMENT AND STATE OFFICERS.

BLANKS have been sent to all County Treasurers and to local Treasurers where there is no county organization. Do not fail to notify me if you do not receive them by the 10th, which gives time for you to receive them from the County Treasurer if she has received them from me.

A. T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

PROVIDE SUFFRAGE LITERATURE. AGITATE AND EDUCATE.



BLACKFORD COUNTY INSTITUTE was held in Grace M. E. Church, Hartford City, April 19 and 20. Mrs. Howe was in attendance and conducted a very excellent Mothers' Meeting, and the institute was very generally enjoyed and approved. Home workers present and the program carried out.

BENTON COUNTY secured Mrs. Ada L. Squiers for two weeks' work. She gave entertainments in five of their Unions. This is a very successful way to replenish the treasury, as Mrs. Squiers gives a very liberal per cent to the Union employing her, and her entertainments take well. It is one of the "do everything" ways to teach our principles. You can write Mrs. Squiers at her home in Martinsville for terms and dates. Give yourself time, as Mrs. Squiers is very busy.

ALLEN COUNTY INSTITUTE—Through the enterprise and good management of the growing membership of Fort Wayne, Miss Hadley was called to the county for work previous to the institute. A good program had been prepared, which enlisted many of the members, who were ably co-operated with by the ministers and other leading citizens. By the forenoon session of the last day the interest had so increased that Allen County wheeled promptly into line and a co-organization was effected. We hope to be favored with the names of the county officers soon.

Names were taken for an organization at the A. M. E. Church, where Miss Hadley spoke on the Sabbath previous.

Superintendent Johnson, of the Institute for Feeble Minded, extended a cordial invitation to the W. C. T. U. Institute to hold its closing session in the auditorium of that institution and visit the same, which it did (much to the enjoyment and profit of the members), holding a short business session in the interest of Department Work and adjourning with a Chautauqua salute to Miss Hadley, who took the train for Bluffton, the point for Wells County Institute.

We learn that many F. E. Willard memorial buttons were donated by our White Ribboners at Allen County Institute, accessions to the membership secured and a large club for the MESSAGE taken.

FULTON COUNTY held its institute on schedule dates and used the regular program, Rev. Mattie O. Cammack in charge. Excellent papers were prepared and read by the members of the Unions at Kewanna and Rochester on the subjects named on the program, followed by discussion. Mrs. C. B. Carlton, Corresponding Secretary, reporting. Memorial services for Miss Willard were held in connection with the institute.

JAY COUNTY INSTITUTE, May 5, M. E. Church, Portland. The attendance was good, and home workers were faithful in the performance of duty. The Temple and Hospital were both considered and steps taken to assist them financially. Memorial services for Miss Willard had a place on the program. Report signed by Sarah Mason, Secretary.

MRS. ELLEN D. BLAIR, National Organizer and Chalk-Talker, will be in our State in June. Her plan is to illustrate moral lessons with stories and drawings in color, as well as in black and white. The evils of intemperance and tobacco using, especially the deadly cigarette, are pictured. In addition to this, Mrs. Blair uses free-hand drawing to aid her in impressing the audience in what is considered the most effective way, viz., through the eye to the brain and the soul. She uses manilla paper and crayons. Where she has spoken, people are greatly pleased. She interests everybody and reaches the children. She almost always aroused interest so she can organize an L. T. L. We need her in Indiana. If you desire to secure her services right away, you can do so by applying to Mrs. Balch, 711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis. Engage her and get the children to sell tickets. Try it.

BAY VIEW, MICHIGAN—J. M. Hall, President of the Bay View Assembly, writes that it is still too early for railroads to promise the date of their first low-priced excursion from the south. He says: "I will do all I can to get this excursion started in time so that the White Ribboners from Indiana can reach Bay View so as to participate in the W. C. T. U. Institute. Last year excursion tickets from Indianapolis were very cheap, within reach of almost every person. Those contemplating an outing, we earnestly urge you to consider this delightful summer resort, which combines both pleasure and profit. Many rooms are furnished for light house-keeping which can be rented, thus greatly reducing expenses of board. Last year a good restaurant and grocery were located on the grounds and food already prepared was delivered at the door of the cottager."

By beginning at once to make preparations for this pleasure trip, we hope that many will thereby become a part of the White Ribbon army moving northward to enjoy the splendid W. C. T. U. Institute at Bay View and to become better equipped as workers to help storm the fortifications of the greatest foe that has ever attacked our civilization. My dear sisters, let us be just as active, brave and ready to help wage this peaceful war against our deadly enemy as are our brave boys who have so recently enlisted in the war against the Dons.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

FT. WAYNE temporarily organized a Union with 50 names. At the Willard Memorial service, held under the auspices of the Young People's Christian Union, 23 more names were secured. They will take Mrs. Bullock and her daughter the first week in September. They are utilizing and receiving recognition from press and pulpit. Sermons are to be preached in the different churches from Sabbath to Sabbath, these women attending in a body.

## FIELD NOTES.

MRS. CAMMACK spent Sunday at Petersburg, speaking both morning and evening.

A LAWYER, a doctor and two ministers assisted in the Elkhart County Institute.

CHURUBUSCO UNION has driven every saloon out and is standing guard that none return.

FRANCESVILLE had a most excellent suffrage contest one night of the Institute, which more than covered all expense of the Institute, besides being very educational. Prejudice is giving way.

AT ONE INSTITUTE one minister was at every session encouraging and helpful, and the other minister enjoyed his wheel and cigar and remained away.

DAVISS COUNTY officers: Mrs. Laura Jackson, President, Washington; Mrs. Fannie Wright, Corresponding Secretary, Washington; Miss Lizzie Perkins, Recording Secretary, Montgomery; Mrs. Ella Feagans, Treasurer, Washington.

FRANKFORT—Willard Union reported at the County Convention twenty-seven paid up members and twenty-seven subscribers to the MESSAGE.

SOUTH BEND INSTITUTE—Two business men took part on the program, and a young lady lawyer had a most excellent paper on the legal phase of the Sunday question.

MICHIGAN CITY INSTITUTE—A public school teacher had a most excellent paper on "The Advantage of the Curfew." She took great pains to write to towns and cities that have the ordinance, and get outline information of its advantages.

OTTERBEIN received three new members at the last meeting. Benton County engages Miss Brehm for a week in September, being determined to have a doubled membership by next State Convention.

THE W. C. T. U. will have a day at Winona Park this year. Mrs. Louise S. Rounds, President of Illinois W. C. T. U., has been engaged for an address. We must do all we can to make the day a success. Urge our members to attend that day especially.

ACTON PARK management generously gives the W. C. T. U. several days on the program of the Assembly. The Loyal Temperance Legion is called to meet there in State Convention. Mrs. Trego, of Ohio, and others have been engaged. Let us loyally support our W. C. T. U. work at this place.

WABASH UNION has circulated petitions for enforcement of our anti-cigarette law and to forbid the sale of liquors in all government buildings. These were endorsed by four churches, four Missionary Societies, four Young People's Societies, one Odd Fellows' Lodge and other societies and organizations.

AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL was an enjoyable and profitable event for the Eaton Union.

SISTER EMMA W. MOORE, Press Superintendent of Kokomo Union, reports having 854 lines in the home papers from September until April 19. If all superintendents worked that way the people would soon be interested in the W. C. T. U. Their interest is according to their information.

DELAWARE COUNTY INSTITUTE will be held at Eaton, June 8 and 9. Mrs. Cammack will be present and remain one week in the county.

RECENTLY, when Mrs. M. O. Cammack was at LaPorte, Mrs. J. W. Ridgeway held a beautiful reception in her honor, over one hundred persons being present.

READ CAREFULLY Mrs. Tompkins' letter on Franchise found on the second page.

WABASH UNION is working for one hundred paid members before the State Convention. Will Indianapolis, Meridian, Greensburg and LaFayette Central be willing for Wabash to secure first place for membership?

FRANKFORT AND SOUTH BEND supply their editors with our papers, and the State Superintendent of Literature wishes every Union would do likewise.

Frankfort Willard Union voted to send the MESSAGE to all new members who paid dues by a certain time. Other Unions might try that plan with profit.

DAYTON gets a stirring up. Seeds planted for a Union. Mother's Club organized. A meeting in the interest of the children, and several addresses given in the interest of our cause by the ever busy County President, Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, of LaFayette.

A GRAND GOLD CONTEST will be held August 9, at the State Christian Endeavor meeting at Bethany Park, under the direction of Mrs. Balch.

MARENGO UNION OFFICERS—President, Mrs. Dr. Felger; Secretary, Miss Mary Mitchell; Treasurer, Mrs. Flavia Goldman.

SEDALIA UNION reports that Mrs. Evaline Sellers, Superintendent of the Sunday School department, has an honor roll to be placed in the Sunday School. One of the honoraries is Superintendent of this Sunday School, and will furnish a supply of the *Young Crusader* for his pupils. A social at the "Hall," a Mother's meeting at Mrs. Ella Sheppard's March 10, and a temperance sermon by the pastor of the M. E. Church.

WILLARD UNION, Frankfort, is six months old, began with seventeen, has twenty-seven paid up members now, takes twenty-seven copies of the MESSAGE and ten *Union Signals*; has raised \$150 for the work. Every member is pledged to systematic giving.

BESURE and arrange to spend a week or two at Bay View, Michigan, in July. The climate is fine, scenery good, water from flowing wells is excellent. The pleasures of fishing, boating, etc., can be enjoyed at little expense.

VALPARAISO UNION rejoices over a curfew law. Every Union, where there is no such law, should agitate the subject until the citizens are aroused sufficiently to demand it.

LOOGOOTEE UNION reported \$60 in the treasury and all bills paid. \$45 of this is deposited in the bank to pay Mrs. Bullock and Miss Bullock for their work in September. Teachers' day this Union gave a reception in the opera house and entertained about one hundred teachers, all the Normal school, and the W. C. T. U. membership, making in all about two hundred. A short program on Scientific Temperance was much enjoyed. Literature was distributed.

AN L. T. L. of twenty members was organized March 29 at Frankfort by Mrs. Hattie Barricklow, President of the Willard Union. Mrs. Kathryn Parlman was made leader, with Mrs. Barricklow and Mrs. Anna Campbell assistants. Its meetings are held Tuesdays at the home of Mrs. Barricklow. New members have been received at nearly every meeting, until now there are about thirty-seven who belong. A friendly rivalry, started by the children themselves, arose between the boys' and girls' classes as to which should give the largest collections. This in nowise discouraged the Treasurer. This L. T. L. is the second organized in Frankfort.

CASS COUNTY—We are on the mountain top! Miss Downey came, saw and conquered. A very successful three-days' Christian Citizenship Institute was held in Logansport, April 17, 18 and 19, under the auspices of Cass County W. C. T. U.

On Sunday morning Miss Downey preached a powerful sermon in Broadway M. E. Church and in the afternoon conducted a Young People's Mass Meeting in the First Presbyterian Church, at which the topic, "Temperance and Christian Citizenship. Work for Young People's Church Societies," was ably discussed. In the evening the same large church was filled, and from the announcement of her theme to the close this earnest preacher of righteousness held her audience enraptured. Two ministers dismissed their congregations to attend.

The remainder of the sessions were held in Broadway M. E. Church. Monday and Tuesday afternoons a splendid program was carried out. "Legislative Achievements of the W. C. T. U." was given by Mrs. Stevenson and Dr. Lida Leisure, of Logansport, and Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Gould, of Royal Centre. Our L. T. L. worker, Mrs. Warne, of Logansport, showed her love for the children's work in her able paper on the "L. T. L.," and Mrs. Campbell, of Galveston, was fine in "The Problem of the Individual." All the papers and talks were very good. Rev. H. C. Neal, of Royal Centre, Revs. Semans and Coolbaugh gave addresses. Other ministers took part in the discussions. A good attendance, and Miss Downey to conduct and give practical talks, insured a great institute.

On Monday evening Miss Downey gave her famous lecture on "Ben Hadad." To give you an idea how well it was received, I will quote from a prominent minister's words to me: "It is the finest lecture I ever heard, and the people of Logansport owe the W. C. T. U. a debt of gratitude for bringing Miss Downey here."

On Tuesday night the closing lecture was received with the same interest and appreciation that greeted the "Apostle of Christian Citizenship" on former evenings. To those who have had the services of Miss Downey I have nothing to say, for they know the inspiration she is to a Union and a community. To those who have not, I want to say do not fail to secure her if possible.

Financially, we are ahead in the county and locals, too, the collections paying our expenses. Logansport Central and West Side Unions gained twenty-four members and eight honoraries. The W. C. T. U. is held in higher esteem, because our principles are better known. "The atmosphere is purer," as one said, and the influence of the faithful, earnest efforts of this noble woman, whom we love, will long be felt in Logansport.

ALICE G. GEARY.

MIAMI COUNTY held its Institute at Bunker Hill. Mrs. Ridgway, the County President, came with other delegates from Amboy and were met with a good delegation from Peru. The five ministers in attendance assisted ably in the discussions and gave a radical endorsement of the ballot for women and a no-license ballot for the rum traffic.

Much interest was manifested at the evening meeting which was addressed by Miss Hadley, Superintendent of Institutes. Excellent music was furnished by the Bunker Hill Quartette. Six new members were added. One had been added during the day session, making seven accessions, with about as many subscriptions to the MESSAGE, which subscription list was expected to develop into a club of twelve.

The time did not admit of a full discussion of all the subjects on program, which were so well presented by those to whom they were assigned. We hope that a two days' session may be the order for next year.

THE BRITISH WOMEN have again chosen Lady Henry Somerset as their National President by a large vote. Out of 603 votes cast for President, 530 were for Lady Henry who, in a most beautiful speech, gave herself once more to the work for which she has done so much in the past.

WABASH COUNTY—President Mrs. Kidd writes: "We have held our Institute. Miss Mary Hadley leader. We were greatly pleased with her work. The program as published in the MESSAGE was carried out. There were additions of both regular and honorary members; also subscriptions to our papers. Wabash County is awake and intends to earn a week's work by State Organizer."



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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Next National Convention will be held at St. Paul, Minnesota, Nov. 11-16.

Indiana State Convention will be held at LaFayette, Oct. 7-11.

W. C. T. U. Days at Acton, August 3, 4 and 5.

Bay View Institute, July 21 to 30.

L. T. L. BRANCH.

HO! FOR ACTON, AUGUST 3.

Graduates' motto for '98: "No Compromise with Sin."

RALLYING CRY.  
Rah! Rah! Rah!!  
We clover blossoms are a-field.  
Why? Saloons must die!  
Hear their knell.  
Indiana L. T. L.

Every county and local leader and every graduate ought to be present at this fourth annual convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion of Indiana. This will be a good opportunity to distinguish ourselves, and make the public feel that we are banded against sin and that we mean to conquer. Let us sacrifice for this one thing, and come together prayerfully and thoughtfully and work earnestly for the advancing of God's kingdom. Where can you find a better field?

Mrs. Blair has organized new Legions at Odell, Bourbon and Kentland. May God's blessing rest upon these and much good result therefrom.

The following is the program for the State Convention, as near as it can be given at present:

Meeting of the executive, 10 A. M. The afternoon will be for the public and will consist of papers, recitations and songs, and class exercises by graduates of '98. The evening session will be filled by short addresses from the State W. C. T. U. officers and the L. T. L. President's address.

There is no reason why this convention should not be the best of all. Remember every county and local leader and the State officers are members of the executive and should be present at the first meeting.

While our nation is engaged in a war for humanity in one of its phases, let us who are in the war against alcohol, the destroyer of both soul and body, be not slothful but fervent in spirit. The saloons are not closing.

Dear local leaders, please be prompt to notify me of your graduates. Have your classes ready by Aug. 3, and try to have them all attend the meeting at Acton and arrange to be there yourself. This year's convention must exceed any previous one in both numbers and interest. Please aid me all you can.

Miss Jessie Ackerman, in a letter to the *Young Crusader*, suggests an L. T. L. week in which to work for new members, each member to try to get one. Miss Wintringer, editor of the *Young Crusader*, suggests the week in which Anna Gordon's birthday occurs, and as we celebrate that day (July 21) as picnic day, it will just be the time for Indiana. Shall we have a good report this fall? Please let me hear immediately the possible number of graduates.

Lovingly and faithfully,  
AMANDA R. GORDON.

## BAY VIEW W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE.

The W. C. T. U. Institute is one of Bay View's most thoroughly directed departments. It is out of ruts, alive and awake to to-day's needs. Mrs. Louise S. Rounds, President of the Illinois Union, and a practical leader for practical temperance workers, has for five years conducted the institute. W. C. T. U. workers say there is nothing in this country its equal. Its sessions occupy July 21 to 30, inclusive, and there will participate some of the best workers from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. Mrs. Rounds always has the best.

Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomingdale, is on the Bay View program, also our State President is called a third time, having been on the program last year. The following are her subjects: "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed" (illustrated by charts), "How Indiana Secured an Anti-Cigarette Law," "The Economics of the Liquor Traffic."

Mrs. Whitson, our Treasurer, and other Indiana women will be in attendance. Tourist tickets on sale over all railroads.

## A CONFERENCE WITH THE WORKERS.

### GETTING ACQUAINTED.

Unions in the extreme north part of the State are not acquainted with those in the south part. It would

be profitable to become acquainted by letter writing; better still, get to know each other in a way by having your Unions and counties represented in the councils of the State. In view of this, have every Union in the State plan to send its full quota of delegates and every county its President to our annual meeting.

Teach the children. The good book says, "teach a child the way he should go." It does not say scold, compel or nag—teach. Mothers better copy after the great Teacher.

Why did you become a soldier, Baron Tilling? "Ah, there you show how you have read my heart. But it was not I, not Frederick Tilling, now thirty-nine years old—the man who has seen three campaigns—who chose the profession. It was the ten or twelve years old Fritz, whose babyhood was spent among wooden cavalry and leaden soldiers. I was the boy whose father, a general, decorated with many orders, and whose uncle, a lady-killer of a lieutenant, were always asking, 'Youngster, what are you going to be?' Of course the boy always answered, 'a real soldier, with a real sabre and a live horse.'"

It will not do for our town. One failure is all many workers can stand. A second failure brings them where the devil can hold them captive. They say "you can't do it" to any and all propositions. "It will not do for our town." The cheerful, brave "I will try," will put many difficulties to rout and insure success.

Mrs. Allie Anderson reports a Y for Star City and the Union revived, while she finds nothing at Winnamac to encourage us. One loyal soul pays her dues until such time as they can have a Union.

The ones and twos. Scripture says, "one shall chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight." If our scattered ones and twos could have this spirit, we could smile complacently where the world can see only defeat for us. Some of our ones and twos do have this power.

There is one way to have every paid member know just what is being done and the part allotted to them, and that is for each one to take the MESSAGE. Each paid member brings 30 cents into the local treasury. If the Union will use 25 cents of that for the MESSAGE for the women, the question is solved. What will the Local Union do to get its money? Well, 25 cents is a very small sum, but a woman genuinely in earnest about our cause, as she will be when she is read up, will put the Union in a way to get all the money necessary.

Honorary membership is very much neglected. We think it possible for almost every woman to bring her husband to occupy this place of distinction and helpfulness. We urge special effort in this direction.

Quarterly blanks. It is past the time for this quarter and past the time for beginning now with a view to winning the prize for the best reports. Secretaries who use a lead pencil know of a surety they will stand no chance, and over any portion of the blank to write "the same as last quarter" can not count for completeness, and the essentials in winning the prize are neatness, completeness and promptness.

W. T. P. A. agents. We do so aspire to have Indiana the one State whose every Union has its W. T. P. A. agent. Why? It would be one strong element of success. We make success. Dear co-workers, let me repeat it—we make success.

New officers. We think many Unions have new officers. It would be a small matter to instruct the Secretary to write the full names of your officers on a postal card and address the card to the State Secretary, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis. Will you do it?

We shall never appreciate our membership in the White Ribbon army until we consider what it means to be a unit in the Local, County, State, National and World's Union.

A word of great moment to each Local Union: If you want to be reported in the next *Union Signal*, send me soon a postal card item. Address State Reporter, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.

Pictures in the State Minutes. Many words of approval have come for putting them in this year. Whose picture shall go in next year? Have you some noted worker in your Union you would like to have thus honored? Let us hear from you if you are willing to meet the expense.

A model Union has annual programs well advertised for its regular meetings; holds the Quarterly Department Meeting; requires written reports from each local department each quarter; has a Y Branch and an L. T. L.; every member takes the MESSAGE, and reads it, as well as the *Union Signal*; uses the local record book, W. C. T. U. forms for orders and receipts; has a large honorary membership roll; members pledged to systematic giving, and get their money

in that way and not by doubtful methods. Believes in and uses the power of the platform, having an occasional State and National speaker; a live medal worker, who takes an admission fee at each contest, and educates the people in general that it is their duty to help in the support of this reform. One whose rule on conduct is gleaned from the thirteenth chapter of 1st Corinthians.

We each one of us want to be of use in our Father's vineyard. We pray for some little place and part, and would be deeply grieved to be told He had no use for us at all. Dear sister, God can't use a discouraged worker. He may want to, but they can not be of any use. They hinder others. The Word says, "Be of good courage."

Mrs. Blair is to visit our State again next fall, and Unions should write early for dates. Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, is desirous of a route for September, and that is the month Mrs. Bullock and her daughter will be with us. If any county wants these renowned workers, better speak in time, and be sure and do not change your minds after saying you want them, because it's almost as serious as when lovers break their plighted troth. What has been done can be done again. Some Unions find a way to have these speakers, pay them and have some money left in their treasury.

Are you a member of an Assembly Union? If so, can't you seek out another, a comrade and so help swell the roll, and pay your dues in advance? The Program Committee will feel so much more hopeful if these memberships are coming in. Read the Constitution about summer assemblies in the Annual Minutes and you will better understand the situation. You will find it in the Secretary's Report. We got no program from Winona; have been looking for it for some time.

## SELF-INSPECTION.

These warm days may shut some of us in, but we will have the more time to think out what manner of temperance and prohibition workers we are. God depends on us; we can't furnish a substitute, and we can't deceive anyone or fool anyone. We need to be wise, strong and true. If the stamp is imperfect or blurred, so will be the impression. Many of us make poor impressions.

The Mary F. Thomas and the Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. observed Union Memorial Services at Rhoda Temple yesterday (Sunday) at 3:30 P. M., in honor of the life and work of Miss Lodie Reed. The Temple was decorated for the occasion. Miss Mattie Hodgkin and Miss Ruby Davis conducted the music. Mrs. Ellen Davis, President of the Frances E. Willard Union, presided. Mrs. Libbie Candler read the 91st Psalm, and Mrs. Lydia Manly offered prayer. The chairman offered some appropriate remarks as an introduction to what was to follow. Miss Mary Dennis was the first speaker. She gave an excellent address, speaking of Miss Reed as being a dear friend of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Dennis, who for so many years was known as a W. C. T. U. worker. She spoke of her personal knowledge of the beautiful and highly valuable character and work done by Miss Reed.

Mrs. Caroline C. Hodgkin was the next speaker. She gave a history of the work done by Miss Reed in securing the Scientific Instruction Law for Indiana, and her work as a writer and editor.

Dr. Rachel Baily Hill, a resident of Richmond, but a member of the Spiceland W. C. T. U. Union, spoke of some of the work done by Miss Reed for the uplifting of humanity and read a select poem.

Rev. Ella Davis, President of the Mary F. Thomas W. C. T. U., spoke next and gave an account of the manner and magnetism of Miss Reed in pushing her plans of work in a modest, quiet way in convention; generally successful, because of her way of bringing about such measures as she desired to accomplish.

Several persons gave short talks, and all felt it was well to honor and speak in praise of the work done by one of our number, who has passed from labor to reward. After a song, Rev. Daniel Hill pronounced the benediction.

Richmond, Ind., June 27, 1898.

OFFICERS OF NEW PITTSBURG UNION—President, Mrs. Alice Shook; Secretary, Mrs. Nancy Iliff; Treasurer, Mrs. Myrtle Downing; Treasurer, Mrs. Cedar Downing; President, Mrs. Emeline Moore; Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Mendenhall; Treasurer, Mrs. Lillie E. Wright. Three new L. T. L's organized by Mrs. Blair, while in our State, at Bourbon, Odell and Kentland.

AUGUST 6, LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## TEACHERS INSTITUTES

Will be held in every county during the summer. At each of these there should be a competent instructor to speak on Scientific Temperance, who should suggest helpful books of reference for the teachers. Our Unions should urge the County Superintendents of Public Schools to employ such an instructor. The taxpayers have a great interest in the schools and will, in many places, desire to have such instruction given to the teachers.

## LETTER FROM STATE ORGANIZER.

The last "school of methods," no institute has been held. I think I like the old name best—"school of methods"—for the institute is to the W. C. T. U. woman what the teachers' institute is to the public school teacher—a place to learn how to do our chosen work; a short school, where with note-book and pencil we may catch the many excellent, helpful suggestions that fill the meeting during the two days' session. Our women are learning to "each one teach her neighbor," as has been intended from the beginning. After our trip across the southern part of the State, as related by Mrs. Balch, I had a week at home and then attended the Delaware County Institute. Most excellent arrangement had been made by Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, the very competent County President. All whose names were placed upon the program were not present, but our women are learning to be minute women, so the program was well carried out. Revs. Harvey and Davis, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, were present and gave excellent help each day. Eight young men made up the choir for the evening meetings, and the singing was worthy of the excellent attention it received.

Think of it! One father has four sons, members of the choir, and all Prohibitionists, too.

After the Institute, two days were spent at Eaton and two at Muncie, where meetings were held with the Unions and a few new members secured. Women grow heavy-hearted sometimes when their work is not appreciated and no visible results appear. Nevertheless, it is our duty to sow; God will take care of the results.

Decatur County arranged for a one-day meeting at Westport, and the result was a Union of fifteen members organized. The following day we held a meeting with the women at Clarksburg, in the afternoon, and spoke to a full house at night.

John R. Lamb, of Good View, arranged for a two days' meeting at Cedar, Randolph County. Mrs. Whitson, on her way to visit her sister at Carlos, in the same county, stopped over at Modoc, and we were just ready to get into the carriage for Cedar, so she went with us and found many old acquaintances and worked diligently for membership, and was largely instrumental in organizing the promising Union at Cedar of twenty-eight regular members and six honoraries. Dinner in the grove each day and the social features were very enjoyable. If we had more men like Brother Lamb, our work would prosper at a much greater rate. Mr. Lamb says he has learned that it takes time, effort and money to make things move. Every farmer knows that without seed sowing, no crop. It is also true of our work.

On the way to New Pittsburg, passing through Winchester, I remembered the new Friends' Church, and having about four hours to wait, spent the time calling on members and visiting the new church, in company with Mrs. Ward, sister to Caroline Edgerton, who graciously showed me around and gave me a most bountiful dinner.

Mrs. Alice Shook, of New Pittsburg, is the moving spirit of that place. She is the mother of Mrs. Lydia Green, wife of Rev. G. W. Green, pastor of the M. E. Church at Galveston. Perhaps Lydia received the vision first and then carried the burden for her own household, and by prayer and work she is now gratified by knowing her mother, three sisters and a brother are all members of the Union, and the father will be by and by. She sends her mother the MESSAGE and her sister the *Physiology Journal*, and they have done their work.

A meeting was held with the women on Tuesday and a Union effected with nineteen regular members

and two honoraries. At the evening meetings the house was filled to the utmost. We are grateful that there are yet congregations that are not gospel-hardened.

After spending two days in the city with the general officers, I reached Marion on the evening of the 24th of June, with the blessed thought, "home for a month," but before I could get indoors a card was handed me from our County President, Mrs. Wilson, saying: "Come to the picnic at Back Creek, the 25th, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, who are going to leave our county." So away to the picnic I go.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK.

## ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

The tobacco manufacturers are resorting to every device to attract the young. Not content with the harm being done by the cigarette, they now make a chewing gum containing tobacco. This is called "gum-bacco," and is being sold and given away to children. Desiring to ascertain exactly what this gum contains, I wrote to the city chemist of Chicago for his analysis and reproduce his letter, which is as follows:

"We procured and analyzed several packages of gum-bacco, and find that it contains ordinary chewing gum containing fine-cut chewing tobacco. Nicotine, the active principle of tobacco, is a virulent poison, and produces evil effects in those who use tobacco in any great amount. On account of their susceptibility, tobacco affects the child quicker than the adult. The effect of gum-bacco on the user undoubtedly would be to cultivate a taste for tobacco, consequently the sale to children, in the interest of their health, should be rigidly prohibited, as is in most intelligent communities, the sale of cigarettes to the young.

(Signed) W. S. MAHARY."

Please do not stop working upon the petitions for the Terry bill pending in Congress. The bill is in the hands of a subcommittee, of which Mr. Ray, of New York, is chairman. He is holding the bill. Why he does not pass it is one of the conundrums of congressional affairs. People all over the United States are watching him, particularly his New York constituency, from whom he received five hundred letters in one week. We must work for this bill until every member of Congress is pledged to support it; and there is no legitimate reason why they should not make this pledge, as the bill is only an interstate commerce law, and would not do away with one cigarette, but would make it possible for States to forbid the importation.

MRS. E. B. INGALLS.

Superintendent Department Anti-Narcotics, Nat. W. C. T. U., St. Louis, Mo.

We need to be fully awake to the significance of the recent examinations for military service. The number of rejections of men by the examining board owing to heart weakness and impairment of the blood circulation is three times more than it was in '61, and the bulk of them are young men who have indulged in cigarette smoking. Upon us rests the responsibility of teaching people the evil effects of narcotics.

The use of cocaine is on the increase among the colored people.

There has recently been put on the market a new chewing gum, made from gum and tobacco. It is called gum-bacco and is put up in attractive looking packages, the outer cover being in purple and bears the warning, "do not swallow the saliva." This is being sold and given in samples to the children. Let us be on the lookout for its appearance.

The Terry Bill is yet pending. Will all Unions that have not sent petitions write me at once for them? Let me hear from you often; your successes or discouragements, if you have any. Mrs. McWhirter writes me that she considers this a very important department. Let us work faithfully to enforce existing law. Circulate literature, remembering we can not legislate ahead of public opinion.

Steuben County has just been organized, with Mrs. Jane Drenning County Superintendent. May the time soon come when each county in the State will be ready for aggressive work.

Very truly,

MRS. PAULINE PITTENGER,

Anderson, Ind.

State Supt. of Anti-Narcotics.

## Y. W. C. T. U. NOTES.

The work has been on the steady increase ever since the mid-year executive held in Anderson in March. Still keep before you, dear friends, the 500 Y's for Indiana by October 1, 1898.

Francisville has a splendid Y Union, organized by Mrs. Allie Anderson, with sixteen paid members. It was the privilege of the State Y Secretary to visit the Union, and as the result of this effort six new members were added.

Elwood has a splendid Y of eighteen paid members, organized March 22d by State Y Secretary, and is growing in interest and numbers all the time. Also Pendleton has a Y, but no dues paid yet. Terre Haute reports three paid Ys doing fine work. Martinsville, 9 paid members; Anderson, 24; Goshen Y, 63 paid members; Central Union, Indianapolis, 2. The reports have not come in from Shelbyville, five branches in Benton county, Vincennes, Mt. Vernon, nor the new colored Y Union of Indianapolis. To the new Unions I will urge you to do all in your power to pay your dues by Sept. 15, so that you will belong to the State and county work.

How many Y Almanacs for '99 shall I order for Indiana? Mrs. Barnes must be notified by Aug. 1. Price, 25 cents per book. Drop me a card at once.

How many Ys and Y Unions will be represented at Acton camp-ground Aug. 3, Y evening for the con-

test? Come, it will do you good. The L. T. Ls will share our evening program. Let us link the work together and pray for a blessing.

Let each paid Y in the State get one new member to pay before the 15th of September. Who will be first to respond? Who will help on the 500?

Miss Olive Peele has been made an organizer for the Y. W. C. T. U. work of our State. Either send for her or the State Y Secretary and let us help you on. Pray each noon for Y work, speak to every person on the temperance question, and invite them to join the Y ranks and God will bless every effort.

Lovingly and prayerfully,

CLARA M. SEARS.

State Y Secretary and Organizer, 106 W. 14th street, Anderson.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

A few words of cheer for all are here presented. The Anderson W. C. T. U. reports through Mrs. S. B. Hefler, County Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Manning Local Superintendent, six meetings. These are held monthly.

In November, Mrs. Meredith, of this city, a minister of the Friends' Church, gave them an address. Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, State President, gave them an address in December. Social Purity books are circulated and literature distributed. In March, the day after the Mid Year Executive Meeting, the Mothers' Meeting was addressed by State Superintendent Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. E. H. Howe. Mrs. Rounds, State President of Illinois, also gave an address. This meeting gave us quite an uplift in many ways.

We select a subject for discussion at each meeting, having our programs made out six months in advance. We now intend to have an attendant to care for the little ones who can not be left at home, so that their mothers can bring them and attend the meetings.

Galveston W. C. T. U. held a Mothers' Meeting the 4th inst. under the local leadership of Mrs. Lydia C. Green.

Mrs. Jennie Hiatt, of Amboy, writes: "I think I need not tell you that I will not be at the institute when I tell you that I have had rheumatic fever; am unable to walk, except on crutches; can only sit up part of the time, yet I have held a Mothers' Meeting. The sisters came to my home."

From Bloomington, Mary E. Dodds reports a Mothers' Meeting held for the colored people in their own church.

Mrs. Ida Parks, County Superintendent, reports one meeting held at Martinsville. Papers were read, followed by discussions, also program of singing, recitations, etc.

From North Manchester, Nellie Baker reports a Mothers' Meeting where four new members were added to the Union. "I got most of my helps from the *New Crusade*. Mothers say they learn truths they never heard of before."

Mrs. Lida Outland, of Sycamore, reports Mothers' Meetings. "All the Unions in our county have Local Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings."

Mrs. S. C. Kilmer reports from Frankfort: "Have been holding Mothers' Meetings for the past three years, not as often as I would like, but try to have one each month. We give out literature and we use the *New Crusade*. Two meetings are appointed for March. Miss Annie Downey is with us, holding revival meetings. She is helping us; pleads with the mothers to teach their children."

Mrs. Charlotte Harper, County Superintendent Mothers' Meetings, Sims, Howard County, writes: "We have held seven Mothers' Meetings, one bible reading on that line and one sermon; 615 pages of literature relating to our work distributed."

It is to be hoped that all will note the addition to this report, "and one sermon," and see if this heaven-ordained work can not more often be presented from the pulpit.

Mrs. Mary McClaine reports from New Albany: "We hold Mothers' Meetings monthly. We have regular prepared programs for each meeting, with topics for discussion. We meet at private houses. We use leaflets for Social Purity and Mothers' Meetings, also the *New Crusade*. It is our aim to teach the young mothers."

Some of these reports are from Local Superintendents, from whom I gladly hear. If I find an address for this department, I write to them and so find the place where the work is growing. God bless the work and all the workers. In the interest of this department have visited Albany; held one evening meeting and one Parlor Meeting in that place. Visited the Local Superintendent of this branch in Muncie. In many places the Union needs reviving. Branch or department work can not thrive while the Union languishes. I have held Mothers' Meetings in Millgrove, Hartford City and Montpelier.

MRS. E. HARRIET HOWE.

Montpelier, Ind.

## PATIENCE, PUSH, PERSISTENCE.

These words have as much in them for a reformer as grace, grit and gumption. I am not sure, as I scan them, but they mean about the same thing. Grace certainly covers the virtue of patience; no one will push much unless they have grit, and the reformer who has no persistence certainly has little gumption. If we can fix the words where they will avail us, the object of this writing will have been accomplished. The war is long, the enemy cruel, the way rough. We need to continually encourage ourselves and bestir each other to renewed effort.

M. E. BALCH.

CIRCULATE PETITIONS AND PUSH THE SUFFRAGE WORK.



## REPORT OF HENDRICKS COUNTY ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE W. C. T. U.

The Hendricks County W. C. T. U. met in annual convention in Amo, June 2, 1898, and was opened by the President, Mattie H. Chandler, who read a Scripture lesson and led in prayer. All but one of the six Unions were represented, and the reports showed a slight decrease in members and interest in some, while others are alive and at work. Reports from Superintendents of the different departments showed that they had given some attention to their work.

The same officers were re-elected, as follows: President, Mattie H. Chandler; Recording Secretary, Effie Robbins; Corresponding Secretary, Amanda Hunt; Treasurer, Minnie Hunt. Two new departments of work were added to the eight already had, viz., Soldiers and Sailors and Railroad. After a song by a group of little girls from the Industrial School at Hadley, the convention adjourned to a shady lawn near the church to partake of the basket dinner, which by previous agreement the ladies had taken with them.

The devotional exercises, at the opening of the afternoon session, were conducted by Rhoda McClain, of Avon Union. The literary program consisted of recitations by two little girls from Industrial School, and by a little girl from Amo, and of papers on "Sabbath Observance," "Organizations of Women," "Narcotics," and "What Aggressive Work Should Hendricks County W. C. T. U. do Against Her Saloons?" interspersed with songs by girls from the School and others. After an interesting talk by the Matron of the School, the convention adjourned.

The evening meeting was addressed by the State President, Mrs. McWhirter. Mrs. Cammack will spend a week in the county soon.

AMANDA E. HUNT,  
Secretary.

Hope, Ind.

For the encouragement of weak, struggling Unions, I feel that I should tell something about our Union. We once had about twenty members, but one died, some lost interest, some for one cause and some another quit work, until last fall at the time of the election of officers we had but six members, some of which were not paid up. We discussed the question of disbanding, but could not conclude to do that, so we elected officers and decided to struggle on awhile longer. Since then we have held two Mothers' Meetings at which we have had interesting programs, after which refreshments were served. For these meetings we have sent out written invitations to Christian women who were not members of the Union. We have also talked to our friends and urged them to consider the matter and pray over it and then decide whether it is their duty to join the W. C. T. U. or not. In these ways we have gained seven new members and one from another Union, making in all fourteen members. We held a strawberry and ice cream festival and also observed Flower Mission Day by sending out about sixty bouquets, containing text cards tied with white ribbon bow, to the sick, bereaved and shut-ins of our town. We are now collecting literature to send to the army. Our Union also keeps a bracket in the depot supplied with literature and distributes the same wherever we see it will do good, and does a great deal of Flower Mission work the year round.

Our new members are enthusiastic and active workers, and while there is much opposition to the W. C. T. U. here, yet we expect to go steadily on, for we believe that one "walketh beside us whose form is like the Son of Man, and He leadeth us beside the still waters."

Yours in His name,  
JENNIE GUFFY,  
President.

THE DECATUR COUNTY INSTITUTE was held at Westport, Tuesday, June 14. Mrs. M. O. Cammack had charge of the meeting, assisted by county officers. A Union of fourteen members was organized and started out in a very encouraging manner. The visiting members were royally entertained by the ladies of Westport during their visit there.

MRS. ADDIE L. SKEEN,  
Recording Secretary.

CARROLL COUNTY W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE was held in the Presbyterian Church at Delphi, March 17, 1898. Miss Hadley was with us and made both sessions very interesting and instructive. Many new features of the work were brought out and made clear. Several subscriptions were taken for the MESSAGE and one more for the Union Signal. Miss Hadley's lecture in the evening was enjoyed by a very attentive audience.

L. E. EVERSOLE,  
Corresponding Secretary.

PERU UNION—We observed Flower Mission Day. Made about forty-five bouquets. Took twenty to the Wabash Railroad Hospital. The invalids were very much pleased. We were kindly welcomed and will go again. The rest of the bouquets were distributed among the sick and sorrowful. We used thirteen yards of white ribbon to tie cards to the bouquets. Though we are young we are doing the best we can. We ask the prayers of all Indiana White Ribboners.

MRS. ANNA KILMER,  
President.

THE LADIES of the Bluffton W. C. T. U. observed Flower Mission Day by sending out 118 bouquets to sick and shut-ins. Previous to starting on the rounds of the city a short religious service was held, and the Recording Secretary also read a copy of a letter of greeting and thanks which she had written to Col. G.

W. Gunder, of the 160th Regiment Indiana Volunteers for not permitting the establishment of drinking booths in his regiment. The observance of Flower Mission has done more towards winning hearts to our cause than any other department of the white ribbon work. Perhaps it is because it is more energetically carried forward.

The Bluffton Union is gaining in numbers, adding a new name at almost every meeting. Our President is heart and soul in the work, and she does a vast amount of benevolent and slum work.

The souvenir papers are read at every meeting, and we also have select readings, recitations, solos and remarks for the good of the cause. All of our invited guests pronounce themselves well pleased and express astonishment, when the reports of the departments are read, at the vast amount of work which we are carrying forward in our quiet way.

On June 22d we visited the County Infirmary and held religious services with the inmates. We expect to visit the Orphans' Home in the near future. This is in its infancy, but it is a clean, well-conducted place, and the inmates appear perfectly happy and contented.

MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
Recording Secretary Bluffton W. C. T. U.

## THE W. C. T. U. AT BAY VIEW ASSEMBLY.

The fact that Bay View, in Northern Michigan, and on Lake Michigan, is the largest summer watering place and summer educational center in the West, and is visited by more than 15,000 people from all parts of the country every year, makes it a most important point for the W. C. T. U. to be represented. At that point has been maintained, for many years, one of the best directed and most helpful institutes in this country. It is thoroughly national, and White Ribboners say there is nothing in this country like it. Mrs. L. S. Rounds, President of the Illinois Union, and a practical leader for practical temperance workers, has long been at the head. Among the Indiana women who will participate in its ten days' program, beginning July 21, will be Mrs. Luella McWhirter, Miss Mary Hadley, Mrs. Anna O. Eldredge and others. Two days in the great Assembly program our work is made especially prominent.

On the institute's anniversary, July 22, Mrs. Leonora Lake, the eloquent Vice-President of the National Catholic Union, gives the principal address. Sunday, July 24, a Frances E. Willard Memorial Service of unusual interest is to occur. Seven concise addresses are to be given on Miss Willard as "The Teacher," "The Lecturer," "The Philanthropist," "The Organizer," "The Church Member," "The Woman," "The Best Gift to American Life."

The Summer University here embraces seven thoroughly organized and equipped schools, with forty picked instructors, and had last year over 900 students from twenty States. It opens on July 13. A week later the great Assembly opens, and among the stars will be Maude Ballington Booth, Gen. O. O. Howard, William Jennings Bryan and a long list of celebrities.

Low priced summer tourist tickets are everywhere on sale to Bay View at one-third less than the regular rate. When you can not buy to Bay View, call for Petoskey tickets—they are all the same, as the places touch.

Bay View is one of the most beautiful places in all the world, and its rich privileges make it a delightful place to go. It is a place of moderate expenses. Full information about the place, the season expenses, etc., are in the Bay View Magazine for June. It will be sent by dropping a card to J. W. Hall, Bay View, Mich.

Again I would remind the President of every Local Union in Marion County to appoint a Legislative Committee (if they have not already done so) at their next regular meeting, and commence at once to circulate the suffrage petition, as given by our State Superintendent of Franchise in the April and June numbers of the MESSAGE. Dear sisters, this is work we all can do. How thankful we should be for the opportunity. Let us spare no time or labor, but work unceasingly for the enfranchisement of the women of the State of Indiana.

Yours for earnest work,  
ADA B. LECK,  
President Marion County.

P. S.—Mrs. Moorman, President West Indianapolis Union, rejoices in the arrival of a little White Ribbon daughter.

W. C. T. U. DAYS at Acton, Aug. 3, 4 and 5. August 3, L. T. L. and Y day, in charge of the secretaries of these branches. The morning opens with a memorial service for Miss Willard, in charge of our State President. At 2 p. m. the Grand March of the children, and a hearty invitation is extended to the children everywhere to join in this march. Cheap rates on the cars. Admission free into the grounds for all under 15 years for this day. It is suggested that our L. T. L. delegates lend a hand and bring a box lunch. Dress comfortably for a day's outing and not cumber yourselves with too much baggage. Children, come, bringing your flags and banners, and swell your protest against licensed rum and long until all Indiana wakes up from its wicked indifference and stops its complicity in this God-condemned traffic. August 4 and 5, the program will have a wealth of thought and oratory to offer the public and compel recognition. Our State officers, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield; Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, and many others State workers will be in attendance. The evening address will be given by Mrs. R. J. Trego, of Ohio, a woman of national place and fame. The W. C. T. U. Symposium and the debate

on "Woman's Ballot" will have more than passing interest and weight. The W. C. T. U. sisters who wish to economize can have a place to spread a cot, if they bring their pillows and blankets. The full program will be out July 1, and will be sent to all having places on the program and to others. Anyone wishing a copy and not receiving it, address the State Secretary and she will see that they get one. Good hotel accommodations on the grounds.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

## RED LETTER DAYS.

All have their due weight of importance, but Indiana, at the present time, has most at stake on August 6, Literature and Franchise Day. We have the life of Mother Wallace to remind us of the good fight she made for human rights and our duty to do likewise. Every Union in the State should plan to celebrate this day in some novel way. Begin now to think it out. Advertise and so insure success. Our August MESSAGE will surely take on that color and be considered our Suffrage Number. Unions could have extra copies for distribution by ordering in time. A Suffrage Contest by elderly persons—silver greys or matrons—is the very thing. Serve cake and cream at the close, and be sure to have the petitions where the visitors can sign. Call your occasion the Mother Wallace Contest. Allow the women to read an article, write a paper or give a recitation, and in that case have audience vote by ballot on weight of argument, and use judges when the class all give recitations. Provide Mother Wallace souvenirs. Head your memoranda with "Petition Work and Mother Wallace Day," August 6.

## COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

I have learned that to be on time one must begin on time. The annual County Convention, when the officers are elected and the annual reports made, should come in time to get reports to the State in time for it to report to the National. Then we must consider dates—State Convention, October 7 to 11. The books close two weeks before that, which means every county should hold its annual County Convention before September 15. From August 15 to September 15 should be convention month. If you want a State worker, call in time or you may be delayed in getting the one you want. Make your plans early, and let no organized county fail in this constitutional requirement. County and Local Executive Committees should begin at once to look up the records and see if they are falling behind or advancing. By looking over the Treasurer's report you will see just how many you paid dues for last year. Then, by consulting your local record book you will see how many have been sent in for the three-quarters of the year. Only one remains; the years go so fast. You will see at once what must be done to have a good record this fourth quarter, and you need to begin now, vigilant and watchful.

## NO CANTEENS AT CAMP ALGER.

Extracts from an article in the Voice.

"Camp Alger, near Falls Church, Va., June 11. (Staff Correspondence to the Voice.)—For about a month from 22,000 to 24,000 volunteer troops have been encamped on these hills without a canteen. While the news from the southern canteen camps teem with accounts of drunken brawls and occasional murders, Camp Alger is on prohibition territory, under the Virginia local option law. The Good Templars are strong here and jealously watch its enforcement." This article in the Voice gives facts in connection with the camp before the canteen was prohibited and after. Prohibition is necessary not only to save the life of the soldier, but the life and honor of the nation as well.

Read the papers with a view to writing letters to the various canteen camps protesting in as strong language as you can against this guilty complicity in our country's peril. If this nation will allow canteens in camp and will not use prohibition with her soldiers, mothers better meet and refuse to allow their sons to go to their country's call. If a country cannot save her defenders from unnecessary death and danger, she does not deserve defenders. Agitate on this line, for the occasion is at every door. Let us have prohibition for our soldier boys. Make Uncle Sam understand it is the demand of the mothers. On good authority, at some camps men drink beer until stupidly or fighting drunk, as the temperament may be.

## CHAIRMEN OF LOCAL COMMITTEES

For our annual convention at LaFayette: Railroad, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, West Side; Entertainment, Mrs. J. B. Lucese, 118 North 8th street; Reception, Mrs. Addie Borum, Odell; Sunday Services, Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, 240 South Grant street; Press and Music, Mrs. J. I. Kinsey, Corner Union and 20th streets; Finance, Mrs. Alta E. W. Latta; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. Wm. Levering, Corner 8th and Union streets; Bus Lines, Mrs. J. B. Lucese, 118 North 8th street; Decoration, Miss May Turpie, North 21st street; Courtesies, Mrs. Sarah M. Stevens, West Side.

Dear co-workers, having met with the County Executive Committee Wednesday morning, June 29, I must say to you, your sisters at LaFayette are planning a splendid convention for you. If the convention is lacking in anything, it will be on our part—not theirs.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS—You will find it on page 10 of the Minutes. Commit your resolutions to its chairman.



## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, the State President, has been invited to act as a patroness at a reception to be tendered to Mr. and Mrs. John G. Woolley, on their 25th wedding anniversary, at Prohibition Park, Staten Island, on July 4th.

COATSVILLE UNION is encouraged and will do good work.

WEST INDIANAPOLIS Union went to the County Poor Farm on Flower Mission Day, and gladdened the hearts of many with their words of cheer and their offerings.

MAPLETON UNION visited the German Orphans' Home on Flower Mission Day.

DEARBORN COUNTY President is planning broadly for the work there.

WHAT is your Union doing toward educating the young in temperance and fitting them for future work? How many High School graduates this year in your community are members of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union? Where are we to get our reinforcements? Consider well these questions.

AT NO PREVIOUS time in the history of the Indiana Unions has there been so large a subscription list to the *Union Signal*. This, no doubt, accounts for our increased strength.

THE MESSAGE—Every member of a Union should read the MESSAGE. Without the information it contains our Unions cannot know the plans and purposes of the State workers. If your Union is not doing aggressive work, if the members are somewhat indifferent, it is because they do not read the *Union Signal* and the MESSAGE. A Christian woman who faithfully reads these papers will be interested in the work of her Union, the State, the National and the World's Unions.

EVERY LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION should send as many of its members as possible to Acton in August. The Unions should co-operate in helping to make arrangements for the L. T. Ls to go.

AN ANTI-RUM CONGRESS will be held at Prohibition Park, Staten Island, July 3-6.

THE MANAGEMENT at Acton Park has been very generous and kind to us. This year we were offered as much time on the Assembly program as we could use. Now let every White Ribboner who lives within fifty miles of Acton arrange, if possible, to attend on the W. C. T. U. days. Those who live within driving distance get privileges to go in with buggies and carriages. Take the girls and boys and the young people.

THE PRESIDENTS of Unions in the northern part of the State will no doubt urge their members to attend Bay View W. C. T. U. Institute, July 21-30. Those who attend will get tourists tickets, which are sold at about half regular fare. Expense at Bay View need not exceed one dollar per day.

MISS GEORGIANA MOSER, State Superintendent of Literature, will attend the Bay View W. C. T. U. Institute.

THE NEW L. T. L. at Frankfort made 176 button-hole bouquets for Memorial Day and pinned them on members of the G. A. R.

Mrs. HANNAH VAN SICKLE, of Frankfort, will move to Rochester. We congratulate the Rochester Union on their prospective gain of a valient worker.

JEFFERSON UNION is flourishing. Mrs. Ada Van Sickle is an excellent President.

FRANKFORT WILLARD UNION has divided into two sections for thirty days' work for new members. The victorious section to be entertained by the other section. This Union circulated a petition against drinking in or near the national camp.

Mrs. ELLEN D. BLAIR, the National Chalk Talker, has been for several weeks in our State. She has created much interest and enthusiasm for the work among the children. We are glad that she came and hope that she may come to us again.

Mrs. CAMMACK is engaged for almost all the time until September.

Mrs. J. H. STANLEY, of Liberty, President of Union County, recently collected \$31 for The Temple. This earnest sister has arranged a Suffrage Contest for the county, to be held August 20, at which time Mr. John G. Woolley is engaged for an address. We are delighted to know this. We wish every community could have Mr. Woolley.

MANY UNIONS are circulating the suffrage petitions. This work ought to be done by every Union, and the co-operation of all interested persons should be solicited. Let everybody interested carry a petition wherever they go.

THE MARTIN COUNTY UNIONS observed Flower Mission Day at the County Poor Farm. The event was highly spoken of in the county papers.

THE SHOALS Referendum says: Miss Georgiana Moser, of Loogootee, is a brave young reformer, and her speech at the Poor Farm to the inmates would do credit to Mary A. Livermore.

OFFICERS of HADLEY UNION, Grant County, are Mrs. Ella Doherty, President, and Mrs. Iva Van Cannon, Secretary.

Mrs. E. S. ROSS, of Wabash, writes that she is much encouraged in regard to the work of her Union, which now numbers 91 paying members, with the intention of having 100 before State Convention.

LA PORTE UNION—New members: Mrs. E. R. Hart, Mrs. Elsie Couplin, Mrs. Dora Benton, Mrs. John Filds, Mrs. Dora Banta, Mrs. Fannie S. DeGarmo.

A SUFFRAGE MEDAL FREE—Any medal worker or Union, using Cooper or W. C. T. U. books and medals, who will hold six Suffrage Contests by September 1, can have the sixth medal free. The net proceeds of Contest No. 1 must go to Hadley Industrial School; of Contest No. 2, to our State fund for organization; the proceeds of the remaining four to be used as the worker or Union may determine. Neither one of the contests can be free, nor depend on a collection, but a door fee of not over ten cents, nor under five, be taken. Those wishing to secure this free medal please report to me at once. I make this offer for the good of our cause. I wish every Union in the State would get this free medal. Every Union can which will do the work. Address Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis, Ind.

A QUESTION sometimes asked, now answered: Whose duty is it to look after renewals of the MESSAGE and *Union Signal*, and, as well, take new subscriptions? Your Superintendent of Literature (if you have one) should do this work. Your President, whose duty it is to have a general supervision, should inquire of her helper, the Superintendent of Literature, as to how this work is progressing and urge its faithful performance. If you have no Superintendent of Literature, better get one at once. When every member of a Union reads the MESSAGE (her own copy) that Union receives from the State a copy of the *Union Signal* free of cost to them.

YOU WILL REGRET It if you forget that the county having organized the most Unions this year will have a right, in the group in which it finds itself, to select the National delegate, and the county in the group having organized the next greatest number chooses the alternate.

AN ITEM of great interest to every county—Having carried out fifty per cent of the Plan of Work gives you a place on the roll of honor. Are you satisfied to just get on, or do you wish to strive for first place?

THE EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY meeting of the Mary F. Thomas W. C. T. U. was held at the home of the President, Ella J. Davis, and was in every way a red letter occasion. Names on program, Rev. Frances Jenkins, the mother of Mrs. Davis, and L. C. Moffit.

AT RHODA TEMPLE, June 12, this subject claimed the attention of those who gather there weekly: "License, its Moral Effect on the Country: How Long Will it Continue?" given in the form of a paper Mollie Hodgkin recited "Angel of Buena Vista."

RICHMOND—Frances Willard Union has lost six members by death this year—Mesdames Swayne, Nixon, Miles, Mather, Albert, and a new member, Mrs. Chrisman. Memorial services were held for them in Rhoda Temple, Ellen J. Davis presiding.

FRANKFORT UNION gave Mrs. Blair work for four days because other Unions changed their minds. They write very complimentary of her services, and heartily recommend her to other Unions. Will Unions read Article 6, Section 55, of the by-laws of the State Constitution, and see what is involved in engaging a speaker and then changing their minds?

BETHANY PARK.—The date for grand gold contest is changed from the 9th to 10th of August, at 2 p. m., and while the judges are out Mrs. Parsons, of New Albany Union, will read a paper of more than common interest to womankind.

HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, has a Union. I learned this from the Hobart Advertiser. How much it does help our cause when the local papers are friendly! Mesdames Merrill and Church, from Crown Point, visited this Union and gave two addresses of great interest. They were well received.

HARLAN, ALLEN COUNTY, has a new Union; Mrs. M. A. Omo, President; Rev. Mrs. Oberhulser, Secretary; Rev. Mrs. Sim Merman, Treasurer. Allen County takes its place as an organized county again with Mrs. Omo as its leader. Because of poor health she has been out of the field for a time.

THE INSTITUTE at Decatur County, in charge of Mrs. Cammack, resulted in a Union at West Point; Mrs. Victoria Lungersbill, President, and Mrs. Bertha McCulla, Treasurer. They failed to send Secretary's name. Mrs. Cammack made a visit to Randolph County and organized Unions at Cedar and New Pittsburg. The one at Cedar is a very strong Union of 34 members, quite a number paying their dues down and taking the MESSAGE.

KEWANNA UNION has sent \$5 to the Temple. The Good Health Publishing Co., of Battle Creek, Mich., is lending a hand in making the Temple fund, by giving half of the sales of its magazine.

CURFEW—Read carefully this statement of a city official:

Mrs. Ellen B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind.:

DEAR MADAM—In reply to your request as to the effects for good or bad, in our city, of the curfew law, I can truly say that the law has been of great value. In my judgment our citizens are all convinced that this is true. At least the city officers all know it, and in Greensburg the curfew law has come to stay.

Respectfully,

C. F. NORTHERN, Mayor.

SOLDIER BOYS in camp will appreciate some good literature. Those that are sick will ever remember

the kindness of interested people. Now is our opportunity to do something practical and helpful by sending comfort-bags and some money for literature to our State Superintendent of Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 S. Branson St., Marion, Ind.

To make comfort-bags, use cretonne or other strong cloth; make the bags 12x14 inches, with a drawing string (strong) in the top to open and close. Put in it buttons, needles, thread, scissors, knife, bandages, small bunch of white cotton, court plaster, comb, brush, pencil, paper, envelopes, leaflets, testament, gospel hymns, pledge card (asking to return it signed), copy of *Union Signal* and MESSAGE, a motherly letter, telling who sent it. Make letters home-like and interesting, but not too preachy. This is an ideal bag. Of course, all articles mentioned need not be placed in it. Use your own good sense and send what you can.

DELAWARE COUNTY INSTITUTE was held at Eaton, with Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, of Marion, in charge. After organization, Mrs. Cammack gave a talk on the W. C. T. U. literature. She recommended that each member take the *Union Signal* and MESSAGE. The afternoon session was opened by Mrs. Bond, of Muncie. The program was then taken up and L. T. L. work was considered by Mrs. Carmichael; Normal Institutes, Mrs. Cammack; Red Letter Days, Mrs. Fisher. The parliamentary drill conducted by Mrs. Cammack was very instructive and interesting.

The evening session consisted of music furnished by a male double quartette, prohibition chorus and a welcome by Rev. Harvey and a response by Mrs. Cammack. The main feature of the evening was a lecture on "Echoes from the World's Work." Was very interesting. 48 counties organized, reports received, 35 representatives at the wonderful gathering.

The Thursday session was opened by Mrs. White, of Muncie, conducting a bible reading on Christian Citizenship. The subject of "Equal Suffrage" was discussed by Rev. John Davis and Mrs. Cammack. Mr. Davis arrayed the objections generally given against suffrage and met them in an extended argument. The following reasons were given: The desire to say yes or no to anything regarding their happiness; that it is a logical conclusion; that it is the sense of our Constitution; that taxation without representation is tyranny. This should come to pass from the motive impelling the desire. Rev. Harvey followed with a ten minutes' talk. At the close of these talks the institute pinned the white ribbon on Brothers Davis and Harvey.

Mrs. Froeman read a report on Sabbath Observance, followed by discussion by the institute.

Mrs. Cammack makes a distinction between a day of rest and the Lord's Day.

Mrs. Modlin, of Shideler, gave a short talk and asked to be re-instated in the Union.

The afternoon session was opened by Mrs. Barley, conducting devotional exercises. "Organization of Woman Literary Societies," by Mrs. Carmichael. After this, speeches followed on aid societies, etc. Mrs. White, of Muncie, read a very interesting paper on the "Curfew Law." Mrs. Fisher read an extract from High Joe, a very strong temperance book published by the Busy World Publishers, Madison, Wis. John Davis gave a talk on "Gold Cure," "License Law," etc. Mrs. Cammack gave a talk on "Narcotic Poisons."

The closing of the session was a very interesting question drawer.

SECTION FOUR of Institute work completed our visit to Scott, Jackson and Ohio Counties, which was very pleasant. The Unions at Crothersville and Scottsburg will no doubt prove themselves tried soldiers. Rising Sun is not willing to enlist; they prefer looking on the battle from afar. Dearborn County Institute was well attended by the Unions of the county. Aurora and Manchester have new Unions, and a country church has a temperance committee that we hope to see develop into a Union. North Vernon has a small Union. A summary of the eight weeks' trip: Section Four had 25 counties; we visited 22 of them, organized 9 Unions, held 15 two-day institutes; house to house visits, 31; 11 towns visited outside of holding the institutes. A poor way of measuring the work, and yet we have no other. 97 MESSAGE subscriptions secured, 17 for the *Union Signal*. I regret that I did not make a note of the words of appreciation for our little paper. If a woman is interested in W. C. T. U. work and reads the MESSAGE, she is convinced the paper is just what we need.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES for passing judgment on the six papers of note:

No. 1. "Indiana's Financial Policy," by W. C. T. U. Presidents. Papers sent to Mrs. J. W. Clark, Bloomington.

No. 2. "Noted Events at our Annual Meetings," by W. C. T. U. Secretaries. Papers sent to Mrs. Mary C. Lieb, 23 West 12th street, Anderson.

No. 3. "General Department Work," by Superintendents. Papers to be sent to Mrs. Adah W. White, Oxford.

No. 4. "Y Work," by Y Secretaries. Papers sent to Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 W. 14th street, Anderson.

No. 5. "L. T. L's," by L. T. L. Secretaries. Papers sent to Mrs. Amanda R. Gordon, Argos.

No. 6. "Indiana Women," by any W. C. T. U. woman. Papers to be sent to Mrs. Elma Emmerson, South Whitley.

Limit of time, noon August 15. The best paper of each number to have a place on the State program.

DEPARTMENT FUND PLAN.—How many prayers have we offered this year asking for means to push our department work, forgetting that the answers to these prayers are wrapped up in the department fund plan? How many Unions have determined to carry out this plan?



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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EXTRACTS FROM A PAPER WRITTEN BY  
THE PRESIDENT, MRS. MARIANA W.  
CHAPMAN, OF NEW YORK STATE.

And here we strike the keynote of the thought which must come to the women of every country before their enfranchisement can be secured. Women must care and increasingly they do. Thought of the national welfare belongs to an advanced motherhood. A woman unfit to vote is a woman unfit to be a mother. How shall she teach what does not enter her perceptions or her interests? If intelligent in outside matters she sees easily that society surrounds her daughters with a protection not extended to her sons, whose young manhood may be lured into gilded halls aflame with gilded vice. Happy are they if strong in the precious security that comes from the absorption of a mother's moral strength in early life! Who is worthy of motherhood if she throw not the whole of her best possessions into the impressible nature of the dear young hearts about her, which are the most sacred links that bind her to the Father's work? Verily, "if ye have not done unto the least of these, ye have not done it unto Me."

But when the nursery work is done and the mother heart follows these tall young men and women across the threshold to the outer world, the law steps in and says, "Hold! you have nothing to do in these arrangements; your opinions shall not count here, you shall be of no authority in the State." One alarmist says: "It might bring a union of Church and State," and cites the strong influence of a Catholic priesthood; but no class of women in America is taught to hold a higher standard of purity than the women of the Catholic Church.

We will venture to say that they will increase the

from injury as the woman of the household. No class appeals to us so strongly as the great army of wage earning girls, who need all the help their older sisters can throw about them, and for whom we could do more as an enfranchised power.

We should ask it then, not only for the sake of preserving social purity throughout this working world, but in the name of justice, one of the highest and holiest attributes of a perfect life.

## WOMAN'S RIGHT TO VOTE.

If it is admitted that all political power is vested in the people in this country the whole argument is in favor of the woman.

When our fathers came out of the struggle for independence from the mother country, they had learned that governments derived their just powers from the consent of the governed. Women are governed and should give their consent. The bill of rights in nearly all states said the same thing. They say that "all political power inheres in the people." If women are people it follows that political power inheres in them. These truths of the Declaration of Independence and the bill of rights grant woman's claim to the right of suffrage in advance, and it ought not to be necessary to argue this question at all, because from the day our fathers made it, the words of the Declaration of Independence have been held up as *self-evident truths*. Admit the justice of this and there is no reason for saying that women are not entitled to these rights.

Our fathers didn't say that governments derived their just powers from the male sex; they did not say from the consent of the black or white; from the educated or uneducated; from the men who fight; but they made the broad declaration that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the *governed*, or by the consent of the people—or the suffrage—the right to vote. This suffrage is the expressed assent of the public, through the ballot which registers opinions.

The essence of suffrage is rational choice. Then it follows that every person capable of rational choice is rightfully entitled to vote. The alien is excepted because he still holds allegiance to his native country. But when the alien has taken an oath to our government and renounced all allegiance to any foreign government, he receives all the rights of citizenship. The minor is excepted, but when he reaches the years of discretion, he is entitled, not only to buy and sell, but to take his part in the responsibility of government, and vote also. The idiot and lunatic are excepted because they are incapable of rational choice. The criminal is also excepted, because he has proven himself unworthy of the trust by making the public safety insecure while he is at large. None of these cases violate the principle or the sentiment of the Declaration of Independence. But when woman is disfranchised simply because she is a woman, that principle is violated, because it implies that woman does not

possess the faculty of a rational choice. There can be no argument against self-evident truth. Every day the objections against woman suffrage grow fewer, and the question of equal rights has taken its place in the politics of this country, and it cannot be settled until it is settled on the immutable principles of the Declaration of Independence.

There are many who withhold their consent to woman suffrage on the plea that they are not fully persuaded that it will prove helpful to the settlement of the problems before this nation. This does not in anywise alter the fact that it is just to put the ballot

into the hands of women. Men have had the ballot for a long time and have yet a great many questions to settle with which they have wrestled for years. It is just as reasonable to argue that men ought not to have the suffrage because they have not settled the liquor question, the tariff question, etc.

Professor Drummond in the introduction of his interesting book, "The Ascent of Man," refers to two great principles underlying and running through all life in the world. He calls these principles "the struggle for life," and "the struggle for the life of others." He further suggests that the struggle for life is the masculine element and the struggle for the life of others is the feminine element in the world. He says: "The first, obeying the law of self-preservation, devotes its energies to feed itself, and develops the active virtues of strength and courage, the other lays the basis for the passive virtues, sympathy and love." One begets competition, self-assertion, war; the other, unselfishness, desires the good of others and pleads for peace. One is Individualism, the other, Altruism. We have seen the development of the centralization of power, and the spirit of greed in business and in the politics of this nation.

The liquor curse, against which are aimed all the weapons of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union (the greatest organization in the world), has for its foundation and the reason of its being, appetite and greed. Appetite calls for the drink, and greed licenses and perpetuates the saloon. According to Professor Drummond these are masculine elements. The "struggle for the life of others" or the feminine element, would banish that which destroys and debauches life.

God has placed man and woman side by side in the establishment of the home. In the ideal home man and woman consult and confer together for its best interests. This republic cannot exist without homes; therefore the home ought to be considered in government. So long as the first concern of a country is for its homes it matters little what it seeks besides. Woman's plea is that her voice may be heard and heeded in government on behalf of home, and for this reason she demands the ballot, the only thing that counts as "voice" in government.

MARIE C. BREHM.

## OBITUARY.

On Wednesday, June 29th, occurred the death of Mrs. Dr. Rhoda Russell, of Riley. She was the first W. C. T. U. President of Vigo County. The minister who officiated at her burial, spoke of her as the Frances Willard of temperance in her own county. Mrs. Russell held Miss Willard in high esteem and tried in her intercourse with the world to be like her—self-forgetful, loving and faithful, and all who were closely connected with her knew her efforts were not in vain. She was very welcome and helpful on the State executive committee when permitted to work with them, and will be remembered long by those who worked with her. Mrs. Russell's last words were "How Beautiful." The columns of our little MESSAGE are too small to write the story of this courageous life. She has heard the words, "Well done good and faithful servant."

The tired hands are folded now, for rest,  
The weary eyes are closed, to sights of woe  
And we who mourn—believe it best  
If hearts cry out, we can not have it so.

SAID AN ACTIVE, intelligent, Christian man, "While our W. C. T. U. was working, holding its public gospel temperance meetings, you saw very few of our young men going in and out of our saloons. Now it is quite common." Dear Sisters, will you ever grow weary in well doing? If such things can be said of your Unions, God forgive our faithless ones when we let our Unions die.



MRS. ZERELDA WALLACE.

proportion of that church whose heads are not muddled with liquor or clouded with tobacco smoke, and will, therefore, help to make a clearer thinking, wiser and more prudent majority.

But the majority of women in this country is of other faiths and not likely to be governed by clerical influence in their political views. Women who are self supporting can easily perceive the disadvantage involved in their disfranchisement. The wage earning woman needs more power to protect herself from unjust discrimination, to demand equal pay for equal work, to choose lawmakers who will make her as safe



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### ATTENTION, Y's!

Let the members of the Y. W. C. T. U. Unions who have said they would write a paper on "Y Work," remember and send them to Clara M. Sears, 106 W. 14th street, Anderson, by noon August 15th. The best paper is to have a place on the program Y evening at the State Convention.

Again I urge the payment of dues. Which Union will send me the first report by September 15th, that they have a paid-up membership? Be thinking of who you will send to LaFayette October 7-11th to the Convention to represent your Union at the Y. W. C. T. U. Conference. The time, Church and hour will be announced later. We want every County Superintendent of Y work, if re-elected, to be present, or her successor, so we may plan more effective work among young people for next year. Bring an itemized report of work done in your Union and County. Let as many County Presidents as possible be in our Y Conference. We need you, and you will be welcome.

We want to hold a Y Conference of the workers who will be at Acton August 3, for an hour. Dana Y talks of re-organizing, thus helping on the 500. Is there not another who can do likewise? Who will help? What County will furnish a new Y? Do you try to increase your honorary membership? A mother not long ago was much surprised to learn that young men can belong to a Y organization. Spread your work, girls; push it, and talk it, but above all live it, like the modest Christian temperance woman God intended you to be.

Hold your election of officers before September 15, 1898, if possible, so when you send me names on the annual blank, September 1st, which must be returned by the 15th, we will have the right names for a directory. Please attend to all these matters at once, and oblige your loving and prayerful co-worker.

CLARA M. SEARS,

106 W. 14th St., Anderson. State Y Sec'y and Organizer.

### FRANCHISE DEPARTMENT.

Your superintendent kindly requests you to be enthusiastic in reporting this department work, by the 20th of September. I believe you who have given it your attention have made a good record. Be sure and let it appear in the report of your State superintendent. Please give the name of the county and local workers, also their full address, and the county in which the work has been done. 1. How many franchise petitions circulated in your county? 2. How many articles furnished for the press? 3. How many contests held? 4. How many lectures and public meetings? 5. How many pages of literature distributed? 6. How many medals given? 7. How many Conferences participated in? 8. How many parlor meetings held? 9. How many new W. C. T. U. members secured? 10. Can you see improved franchise sentiment this year? Report any other franchise work done, and please remember to send it to me without your receiving a report blank, as I shall not be at home in time to prepare them and send to you.

Yours for a telling work for franchise in Indiana this year of 1898,  
M. A. TOMPKINS,  
329 South Main street, Elkhart, Ind., State Superintendent.

Mrs. Tompkins writes me from North Dakota, where she is stopping and says, do urge the women to accept the medal offer and get a free medal, and I do urge it by extending the time to September 15th.

M. E. BALCH.

The shadows are lengthening and time for work is growing shorter day by day. In the meantime I hope you are all garnering the items which will give us a good report this year.

No W. C. T. U. can exist long without working. If it does work, it has something to report that will be of interest outside, and there should be a Press Superintendent to give it to the papers.

The world is judging our organization, not by what it does, but only by that much of it that it knows about. It is interested in W. C. T. U. work in proportion to its knowledge.

You all know that the ballot for women is at present the goal of our ambition, and the Press Superintendents have their part in this work. I most earnestly urge each Superintendent to write suffrage articles, also invite well known friends of the cause to write them. Give the "suffrage twist" to your notes at every opportunity.

There are many ways in which we can use the press for Christian Temperance. Do you see and feel the need of a Curfew ordinance or any reform? Agitate. Is some great evil being harbored and nurtured in your community? Protest. Is the anti-Cigarette law or other laws being violated? Demand that they be enforced. Use the newspapers. Gain the attention of the reading public, and something is almost sure to be done.

Remember I am still ready and willing to answer all inquiries concerning the work of this department, and I hope the women will write me. Those Superintendents who have not as yet sent in their names are requested to do so as soon as possible, as I desire to not miss anyone when I send out my blanks. We want a full report this year. Yours for service,

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

State Superintendent Press.

Much of the success of non-alcoholic medication depends upon the education of the laity. The medical profession is rapidly awakening to the fact that alcoholic stimulants are not a necessity in the treatment of disease, and many of the younger members permit the use of it, rather than prescribe it, simply because of the importunities of the family or friends, who have grown up in the belief that in every sudden illness or accident, a little brandy or whiskey must be given while waiting for the physician, and a little more added to the doctor's treatment to keep up the strength of the patient. There are good honest Christian people who think they are not doing justice to their growing families if they do not keep on hands a bottle of whiskey to be ready for emergencies. So you see, dear sisters, there is a wide field open for us in which much good can be done among ourselves and neighbors, and now that we have taken up this department in our State, let every member of every Union feel that she has a part in the work, and do something, if but to read and hand out one leaflet. We are late in beginning our work this year, but I sincerely hope we can at least get ready for systematic work and then accomplish something before the end of another year. Will all those County Presidents, who have not already done so, appoint a Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication for your county and report the same to me?

Very truly,

L. F. JESSUP SMITH,

State Superintendent Non-Alcoholics.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT.

On July 20th, I sent out the yearly blanks to County Superintendents, enclosing blanks for locals. Will you please observe the following in regard to them? 1. Be careful to give the name of your County. 2. Local Superintendents please send your report to your own County Superintendent, not to me, unless you are the only Superintendent in your County. 3. Can all County Superintendents not send me a complete list on a separate slip, of the names of their assistants for this year? 4. Please be prompt. My State report must be made out by September 1st. Send in time so your work may be counted. From the year's record already made we shall certainly have a good report.

ADA W. WHITE,

State Superintendent.

### WORK AMONG FOREIGNERS.

I do pray that we may have more superintendents for this department of our White Ribbon work. Will the County presidents kindly help a little? Will you not endeavor to have a superintendent for this department in your county? Will you please send me the name and address of your superintendent of this department if you have one? The foreigners need our

sympathy and our help, for they have a hearty welcome in the saloon. If each County in Indiana would help in this work, I really believe much good could be accomplished. Send to me for the literature you need, and thus help to save these people from the curse of strong drink. MRS. ANNA KILMER,  
Peru, Ind. State Supt. Work Among Foreigners.

### INDIANA'S SONG.

(Tune—"Annie Laurie.")

Indiana's heard the bugle,  
O, army tried and true!  
She is marching, she is coming  
To pledge her faith anew;  
To pledge her vows anew,  
To win or die with you!  
You may count on Indiana  
'Till stars fade from the blue.

Where your snowy flag is floating  
And white stars dot the way,  
You may count on Indiana  
In th' thickest of the fray.  
In th' thickest of the fray  
Her "W's" lead the way.  
Where your Emblems White are gleaming  
The "W's" lead the fray.

You may count on Indiana!  
Her "Y's" are in the van!  
They are loyal, brave and bonnie;  
Go vanquish them, who can!  
Go vanquish them, who can!  
Her "Y's" are in the van.  
Oh they're loyal, brave and bonnie!  
The "Y's" are in the van.

You may count on Indiana!  
Her children are a-field!  
Yes; the "L. Y. Ls." are coming;  
Their clarion call has pealed;  
Their clarion call has pealed.  
Not one brigade will yield  
Oh, the "L. Y. Ls." are coming;  
The children are a-field.

MARY A. LEAVITT.

Vernon, Ind.

I wish to inform your readers how our Union is progressing. Last week we held an "Independence Day" meeting, and our ladies decided to adopt for next year a genuine old fashioned 4th of July celebration.

Miss Cox, the Friends' pastor, read "The New Independence Day," by John F. Cowan in the July 30th Signal. Our ladies are enthusiastic and patriotic.

Through the kindness of Mrs. John Ridgway, this Union has three large beautiful rooms nicely furnished. This Union has already paid \$500 toward the Temple debt. Our President is a lady of ability, both socially and religiously.

I have visited the "Temple" many times, and the W. C. T. U. in the East, West, North and South, and having now joined this Union, I am sure that they are doing very good work. Respectfully,

ROSETTA OTWELL CROSS

La Porte, Ind.

### CHAIRMEN OF LOCAL COMMITTEES.

For our annual convention at LaFayette: Railroad, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, West Side; Entertainment, Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 North 8th street; Reception, Miss Addie Borum, Odell; Sunday Services, Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, 240 South Grant street; Press and Music, Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, Corner Union and 20th streets; Finance, Mrs. Alta E. W. Latta; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. William Levering, Corner 8th and Union streets; Bus Lines, Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 North 8th street; Decoration, Miss May Turpie, North 21st street; Courtesies, Mrs. Sarah M. Stevens, West Side.

Dear co-workers, having met with the County Executive Committee Wednesday morning, June 29, I must say to you, your sisters at LaFayette are planning a splendid convention for you. If the convention is lacking in anything, it will be on our part—not theirs.

The pastors of the Friends' and M. E. Churches, of Plainfield, assisted by ladies of the local W. C. T. U., circulated petitions for Sunday closing of grocery stores and succeeded in obtaining such a long list of names of persons in favor of it, that proprietors of the stores have agreed to close.

Wolcott is still holding on, and will take up regular meetings again. Mrs. Lottie Taylor has been a faithful President.

MONROVIA is arranging for a Suffrage contest.



MRS. MARY DAVIS, White County Corresponding Secretary, writes that five times in succession has our town, Idaville, said we will not have a saloon—that's prohibition. To July 1st by membership of new Unions, if all pay dues, we have added 435 regular members and 61 honoraries.

# TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE.

## RECEIPTS.

### DUES.

Decatur.....	\$2.50	Greensburg.....	\$5.50
Geneva.....	5 00	Kokomo.....	5.00
State Y.....	.50	New London.....	1 00
Francisville Y		Phlox.....	2 00
Branch.....	8.00	Greentown.....	1.00
Scottsburg.....	4.50	Red Key.....	2.00
Franklin.....	.50	Dunkirk.....	1.50
Brazil.....	5 50	Portland.....	1.50
Evansville.....	7 50	Anderson.....	4 00
Lamasco.....	1.50	Anderson Y.....	6.00
Petersburg.....	4.12	Pendleton.....	6 00
Covington.....	5 00	Lapel.....	2.00
Western Grove.....	1.00	Alexandria.....	1.50
Greenfield.....	1.00	Elwood, Brehm... 7.00	
Fortville.....	2.50	Elwood, Willard.. 3.00	
Muncie.....	.50	Elwood Y.....	5.50
Eaton.....	2 50	Anderson, Colored 3.00	
Albany.....	2 50	Bloomington.....	1.50
Middlebury.....	1.00	Coloma.....	1.00
Bristol.....	2 00	Princeton.....	1 00
Elkhart.....	3 50	Auburn.....	2.00
Nappanee.....	4 00	St. Joe.....	.50
Goshen.....	9.00	Butler.....	1.50
Goshen Y Br'ncb. 6.00		South Marion.....	.50
Thorntown.....	4.00	Dana.....	2 00
Hope.....	1.50	Winchester.....	.50
Columbus.....	.50	Worthington.....	1.00
Frankfort.....	9.00	Decatur.....	2.50
Frankfort, Willard 3.00		Geneva.....	1.00
Frankfort, Stevens		New Castle.....	1.13
(Colored).....	2 50	Spiceland.....	2 25
Mulberry.....	3 50	Greensboro.....	2.50
Jefferson.....	.75	Kennard.....	1.50
Upland.....	3.50	South Whitley..... 14.00	
Fairmount.....	6.50	Churubusco.....	4 00
Back Creek.....	2 50	Columbia City..... 4.00	
Jonesboro.....	1.50	Hillsboro.....	2.00
Oak Ridge.....	1 50	Shoals.....	2.50
Deer Creek.....	2 50	Hindostan.....	1 00
Pt. Isabel.....	1.00	Loogootee.....	3.50
Marion.....	3.00	Indianapolis, Mer- 6.00	
Marion, Mary		Broad Ripple.....	.50
Hadley W.....	6 00	Indianapolis, Cen- 2.50	
Washington.....	3.00	tral.....	
Hoagland.....	1.00	Indianapolis, Cen- 1.00	
Ft. Wayne Wil-		tral Y Branch... 2.00	
lard.....	9.50	Irvington.....	.50
Bluffton.....	7.50	West Indianapolis 1.50	
Ossian.....	2.00	Valley Mills.....	1.00
New Albany.....	2.00	Center.....	.50
Huntington.....	4 00	Indianapolis,	
Warren.....	.50	Northeast.....	1.00
South Bend, Cen-		Mapleton.....	3.00
tral.....	3 50	Tarleton.....	2 00
South Bend, Col-		Mooreville.....	5.00
fax Avenue.....	.50	Brooklyn.....	2.50
South Bend, North		Paragon.....	.50
Side.....	1.00	Martinsville.....	9.00
Terre Haute, Cen-		Martinsville Y.... 1.00	
tral.....	1.50	Freelandville..... 4.00	
Terre Haute, West		Hebron.....	2 00
Side.....	1.50	Mt. Vernon.....	.50
North Manchester 5 25		Blacks.....	1.00
South Wabash.... 1 00		East Logansport.. 2 50	
Wabash.....	12.00	West Logansport.. 2.00	
Morocco.....	2.50	Royal Center..... 3 00	
North Timber.....	.50	Galveston.....	3 50
Angola.....	1.50	Ambia.....	.50
Ashley.....	2.50	Talbot.....	3.00
Pleasant Lake.... 4 50		Lochiel.....	.50
Freemont.....	4.00	Lochiel, Y Branch 1.50	
Francesville.....	2 50	Otterbein.....	1.50
Bourbon.....	.50	Otterbein Y.....	8.00
Argos.....	1.50	Monon.....	2.50
Hartford City..... 6.00		LaOtt.....	1 00
Crown Point.....	5.00	Albion.....	.50
Hammond.....	.50	Ligonier.....	3.00
Richmond.....	3.00	Wawaka.....	1 50
Economy.....	1.00	Carthage.....	.50
Centreville.....	1.00	Manilla.....	1.50
Amo.....	2.00		
Plainfield.....	.50		
Alton.....	5 00		

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand April 1st.....	\$78 73
Sale of Willard buttons and pictures.....	107.27
Sale of Fair Cottage Silverware.....	14.90
Sale of Annual Reports.....	5.00
Sale of Winchester Real Estate.....	175.00
The MESSAGE Fund.....	34.50
For Organization.....	5.00
For Organization from Deer Creek Union.....	.74
For Organization from Mrs. Hattie Steckle.....	5.00
County dues, Scottsburg.....	1.80
County dues, Covington.....	2 00
County dues, New Albany.....	.80
State dues.....	427.00
Total.....	\$857.74

## DISBURSEMENTS.

National dues.....	\$85.40	Mary Hadley, ex-	
Y dues.....	11.20	penses central	
Printing the MES-		and official com-	
SAGE April, May		mittee meetings	\$7.15
and June.....	76.75	Mary Hadley, en-	
Business manager,		tertainment.....	3.70
the MESSAGE,		Mary Hadley, post-	
salary for April		age.....	2.46
and May.....	16.00	Mary Balch, sal-	
Printing for State		ary.....	118.75
officers.....	9.50	Mary Balch, sup-	
Willard pictures		plies.....	3 86
and buttons.....	61.07	Mary Balch, post-	
Removing debris		age.....	14 63
from Fair Cot-		Mattie Cammack,	
tage ground.....	2.00	expenses to cen-	
Literature.....	10 78	tral committee	
Treasurer Hadley		meetings.....	2.35
School, sale of		Mattie Cammack,	
Winchester pro-		postage.....	1.75
perty.....	175.00	A. T. Whitson, sal-	
Mary Balch, defic-		ary.....	43.75
it in organiza-		A. T. Whitson,	
tion.....	5.00	postage.....	6.54
Mary Hadley, de-		A. T. Whitson,	
ficit in organi-		supplies.....	2.86
zation.....	7.00	Lena M. Beck, ex-	
Olive Peelle, defi-		penses to central	
cit in organiza-		committee meet-	
tion.....	10.00	ings.....	3.10
Mattie Cammack,		M. A. Tompkins,	
deficit in organ-		superintendent	
ization.....	21.12	franchise.....	5.00
Allie Anderson, de-		Pauline Pettinger,	
ficit in organi-		superintendent	
zation.....	3.00	narcotics.....	5.00
Luella F. Mc-		Dr. Jessup Smith,	
Whirter, prem-		Non-Alcoholic	
ium lecture		medicines.....	2.50
Hadley School..	2.50	Decorations Wil-	
Luella F. Mc-		lard memorial..	1.45
Whirter, sup-		Balance in treas-	
plies.....	2.13	ury.....	128.38
Luella F. Mc-		Total.....	\$857.74
Whirter, post-			
age.....	11.06		

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

## NEEDY GIRLS.

Mrs. White—"When I came into Church this morning, I was surprised to find that Mary Rose had left Mrs. Marley's. We have been so busy I have not been in town for several weeks, but felt the child was in good hands. Can you tell me anything about her going?"

"Oh, yes, Mrs. Miner, our Union sent her to our Hadley School."

"To school, Mrs. White; why who pays the bills? At Marley's she would learn to work and earn her clothes, for I bargained for \$15 a year for the child. I was doing as I would have done by my own."

"Come in, Mrs. Miner, and rest while we talk this over. Take time, if you are in a hurry."

"Thank you, I believe I will. I am anxious to understand this, for Marley's people are vexed that Mary left them. I know you don't like Sunday calls or visits, but I'll stop a minute."

"Excuse me, Mrs. Miner, I must ask some questions to be the better able to tell my story. How did Mary Rose come to your guardianship?"

"Why, Mr. Rose's people were our near neighbors. When the mother died the father broke up the home and went West, leaving Mary with me until he could send for her. I did not really need her help, and Marley's were wanting a girl, so I made that bargain for

the child, not knowing how much one could expect of the father. Fifteen dollars would go a right smart piece toward dressing her. Mary is large for her age, strong, handy and trusty, and well worth that much."

"Mrs. Miner, as the world goes, it is too true, that what girls eat and wear and can do is often of more consequence than the girl herself. Marley's is no place for any child; no saloon can be. They may learn to work, but as well learn much else. It was this that led our Union to write to the father, get his consent and signature to the proper papers which admitted her to this school. Who pays the bills, you ask? Our Union furnishes medicine, if needed, school books and clothing; the school furnishes the rest, and the child has a chance now to grow up pure, healthy and useful, a girl of good principles, and we trust, a Christian. Our Union did as they would like some one to do for all such helpless needy girls."

## COMMUNICATIONS.

Our Union is actively engaged in work we think necessary to our community. Well attended at our weekly meetings; have a lively L. T. L. Mothers' and Parlor meetings very interesting, and now actively engaged in passing of the Curfew Law we have petitioned for, and circulating anti-canteen petitions; have ten departments at work. The press has a very generous showing in four daily papers, all of very large circulation. One paper gives weekly two to three columns to temperance matter; chiefly alcoholic and narcotic work. Have an active Vigilance Committee and a good Finance Committee. Had a fine patriotic entertainment from which we realized a nice sum; have splendid talent and good workers, but are not systematized in our work sufficiently to see immediate results. 1,600 pages of literature, stamped with W. C. T. U. stamp, distributed. MRS. LIZZIE C. DRAKE, Press Reporter.

## SARAH ALFORD.

We, the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Zionsville, Ind., feel deeply our loss in the death of our sister, Mrs. Sarah Alford.

Aunt Sallie, as she was familiarly known, was always loyal and faithful to our cause. Although unable to attend the meetings for some years because of advanced age, care in the afflicted home of her daughter, and her own last illness, covering several months, she never forgot the interests of our Union.

May her many virtues long be remembered, and her loving example be engraved on the tablet of our memories, that we may learn to imitate them.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the friends, and to the daughter especially, who must bear a double sorrow, her husband being buried at the same time. PRESS REPORTER.

## L. T. L. BRANCH.

Please remember that the year is about to close and reports must be made. Make a strong effort to collect dues to the amount of 10 cents a member and send to me as soon as possible. Try for one of the prizes. Three dollars secures for your Legion one copy one year of the *Young Crusader*; five dollars, two copies, and the greatest amount over five, a banner to be presented at the LaFayette convention. When you receive your report blanks be ready to return to me promptly a good report. By your co-operation, I hope to be able to present a good report of work done during the year. Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord. AMANDA R. GORDON.

Argos, Indiana.

## WILLARD UNION RECEPTION.

In response to neat invitations issued by the members of Willard W. C. T. U., Frankfort's representative women to the number of more than one hundred and fifty were received in the parlors of the M. E. Church, which had been prettily decorated for the occasion. Mrs. Barricklow, in a few well chosen words, introduced Rev. Mattie O. Cammack, of Marion, who gave a most pleasing address, which was a revelation to many of those present concerning the marvelous work, growth and scope of the W. C. T. U. She ended her remarks with an earnest appeal to the mothers and daughters to enlist in this great work. At the conclusion of her address delicious refreshments consisting of lemon sherbet and crescents were served. Gobin's mandolin orchestra was present and discoursed some of their sweetest music, which added greatly to the pleasure of the most enjoyable affair.



## DEPARTMENT OF UNFERMENTED WINE.

Dear County Presidents and co-workers in our Lord's Vineyard, I appeal to you for help in my department. So few Counties have Superintendents that I ask you to bring the subject before local Unions in your County Conventions. In order that you may do so with least trouble to yourselves, I send this to our paper, and ask that you cause the article to be read in your conventions at some time. Hoping by this to reach the local workers in this important department of W. C. T. U. work in Indiana.

Dear co-workers, while one church, one denomination, uses alcoholic wine at the table of our Lord, shall we not work as well as pray that this stumbling block be removed from the church of God and our dear Lord roomed in the house of his friends? May our dear Lord help us to do our whole duty at all times and places. It is said that two-thirds of the churches use unfermented wine, but it is also stated that sixty thousand gallons of alcoholic wine are dispensed in the churches of our country.

I will send to County Presidents blanks to be filled and returned to me, hoping some good work has been done.

For two years I have sent out leaflets carefully prepared by the National Superintendent of this Department, and by myself as Superintendent, have thought best to let our MESSAGE do this work for me.

Praying for cheering news, I am,

Yours for the work,

MRS. J. R. WOOD.

711 East 11th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

THE LOOGOOTE UNION is a small one of 27 paid members. Still I want to tell you a few of the things we have done this spring. We gave two entertainments, clearing over sixty dollars, forty-five of which we have in the bank to defray expenses of a week's work by Mrs. Bullock. We gave a reception to 125 Normal students, with music and a program in scientific temperance. We had Mrs. Cammack and Mrs. Balch two days. We sent \$21.55 to the Temple Memorial fund and \$10 to the Hadley Home. We have Union Gospel Temperance meetings the first Sunday in every month, Mothers' Meetings the fourth Saturday and our business meeting the second Saturday in every month.

Martin County celebrated Flower Mission Day at the Poor Farm, and served supper to the inmates. A program had been arranged and all were given bouquets tied with text card, white ribbon and tiny flag. The farm is nine miles in the country and seven carriages of W. C. T. U. members attended.

We celebrated our anniversary this year by giving a Red, White and Blue Dime Social. Space is given us every week in our county paper. We have a Superintendent of Box Literature—Miss Susie McClosky—who is an earnest little helper, and sees that literature is placed in depot, postoffice and every barber-shop once a week. We are trying to win people to our W. C. T. U. by making every one of our meetings interesting. We have ordered through the Superintendent of Literature \$32.58 worth of literature. We are planning a chrysanthemum fair for October, the proceeds to be used to send the *School Physiology Journal* to every teacher in the county, and to offer a prize for the best essay on temperance.

Yours in the work,

GEORGIANA MOSER,

Corresponding Secretary Loogootee Union.

## MISS BELLE KEARNEY.

To be well born is a great heritage of good. Besides being of fine cultured family, the father and mother of Miss Kearney have long known that uplift of soul and spirit that comes from the friendship of God. Miss Kearney was born near Vernon, Madison County, Mississippi. She was educated in her native State, and taught school successfully for six years.

In 1889 she heard the call of God to the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. This blessed organization represented principles that aroused her fullest allegiance and most intense zeal—principles for the establishment of which she was willing to consecrate every talent of heart, brain and soul.

The women of the Mississippi W. C. T. U. appreciated at once the value of the services pledged by this enthusiastic young woman to such a degree that she was immediately appointed State Superintendent of the Y work and the L. T. L's. She courageously began her work, going upon the platform with the ease that comes from the sense of a supreme need, and the faith that God had sent her as His messenger to quicken thought and enlist helpers.

Two years after enlisting in the service of her State W. C. T. U., Miss Kearney was made National Organizer by the National Convention of the W. C. T. U. during its session in Boston. Since then she has traveled a wide extent of country.

Miss Kearney is looked upon as one of the leaders of philanthropic thought in her own home land, the South. She has become identified with the great heart of the Nation's endeavor after sober homes, nobler thought, purer living and justice to women.—*Mrs. Mary McGee Snell, Columbus, Miss., in Young Women, Chicago, March, 1896.*

We hope to have Miss Kearney with us at the time of our State Convention, and we can do so if we can secure a few dates before or after our meeting. Miss Kearney's terms are \$10, or \$5 and collections, paying her own expenses. These terms depend on having several dates in one State. Miss Kearney would be fine at County Conventions. Write the Secretary at once, and she will plan the route to economize time and money. Bring this before the first meeting of your Union. Do not delay. SECRETARY OF 13.

## JULY 4TH AT BLOOMINGDALE.

The editorial staff of the MESSAGE has requested an account of our splendid meeting, which account I know must be much more brief than we feel inclined to make it.

After the oppressive heat of almost a week, July 4th dawned with a temperature which was all that could be desired for a grove meeting and picnic, as were also the beautiful grove and inspiring scenery of the place of meeting.

The themes for the day were Woman's Suffrage and Christian Patriotism.

The program—composed of home talent—was well carried out, and no county knows better than Parke how to appreciate her own people.

Bloomington band boys played with a will, and the special music, consisting mainly of Suffrage songs, had no uncertain sound.

It was cause of general remark that on the grounds there were no tobacco sales, and that such beverages as are termed "the lighter drinks," were not allowed. No chance game found admittance, and not an oath was heard; a drunken man would have been an anomaly.

Our White Ribboners who toiled so persistently through the hot days in arranging for the meeting (in one instance driving 44 miles for a speaker), could but take a grain of comfort in knowing that our Nation's natal day had not been dishonored by such immoralities as often find a place.

Signatures were secured to our Suffrage petition. Also, there were accessions to membership and subscriptions to our State paper, the MESSAGE. But the day was too short to accomplish what might have been done in these lines.

One of our prominent citizens, who became a convert to Woman's Suffrage at the moot election which we held about a year ago, was ready to speak for Woman's ballot when we came to make up our July 4th program. And so the cause moves on. It is here a little and there a little.

But it is impossible to estimate the sentiment made along advance lines of thought by efforts here and there over the State, which often have small beginning but which must be carried forward by the few on whom conviction has gotten a hold which must be worked out.

May we be importunate in our petitions to the God of nations, that conviction along the line of its needs may come to the people and work to the end that our prayers may be answered. MARY HADLEY.

## FIELD NOTES.

AT MONTICELLO, Mrs. Balch and Mrs. Anderson held a Union Gospel Temperance meeting in the M. E. Church, July 24th. The Sunday Gospel Temperance meeting has a strong influence for good over our young people. Why not every Union consider this, and hold such meetings?

NOBLE COUNTY—Secretary Mrs. Ruth Probst writes, our county is gaining in strength; we all love our new County President, Mrs. Laura Teal.

MORGAN COUNTY—Fourth with its Suffrage Contest in charge of Mrs. Ada L. Squier, was a most flattering success. Mrs. Millie Turney, Brooklyn, received the medal. Pearl Turney and baby Squiers entertained the audience while the judges were out. Martinsville has three Prohibition Ministers and they took part in the exercises. Brooklyn singers furnished patriotic

songs and Monrovia Ladies' Quartette sang morning and evening. Four of the six Unions in the county were represented in this class. Amboy Union gave a Gold Contest with a class of boys, and with a 5 cent admission fee took in \$11.35.

MRS. ADA L. SQUIERS, Martinsville, hopes to have members of their Union take a tent at Camp Acton and spend the three W. C. T. U. days there.

READ this letter at your next Union meeting. Before the September paper comes you will have received the last quarter's blank, and you must make out the report and send it in, and your membership for the year will be counted. Will you not do your very best to have a gain in members? Your membership decides your number of delegates to the State Convention—one delegate for every twenty paid members—your President and the delegate-at-large. Then the MESSAGE—won't you be ambitious to have every member take it? Nothing short of such a support will satisfy. The fact that Wooley speaks to the Convention October 7, Friday night, seems to promise large attendance from all points comparatively near.

CHALMERS UNION born to great things with eleven members; three honorary. Mrs. A. Willson, President; Mrs. Nellie T. Mereshon, Secretary; Mrs. Rachel Geiger, Treasurer.

MRS. M. L. HOBBS, Ireland, writes they will hold a grand Gold Contest one night of their County teachers' institute—that is a splendid effort.

THE STATEMENT that Mrs. Blair organized an L. T. L. at Odell, is incorrect. Mrs. Blair visited the organization there, and that work must go to the credit of Miss Addie Borum.

MRS. BARRICKLOW, President of Willard Union, Frankfort, is at Urbana, Ill., at the bedside of her father. She has been there for several weeks.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK spends several days in the Willard Union, speaking in the Presbyterian and other Churches; holding parlor meetings, etc. A reception is planned for the evening of her arrival. Mrs. Cammack's dates are: Steuben County, August 8 to 20; DeKalb County, August 20 to 26; Nappanee, August 27 to 29; Hendricks County, August 30 to September 5; Johnson County, September 5 to 11; Martin County, September 12 to 18.

A NEW UNION at Reynolds; Mrs. N. A. Murray, President; Mrs. Jennie Stine, Secretary; Mrs. Virginia Lawson, Treasurer; Miss Mary Dalzell, Superintendent of Literature. Every member takes the MESSAGE.

A NEW State Superintendent came to the Indiana White Ribboners on the night of the 14th of July—Frances Albirtie Boyer, Frankfort. Weighed eight pounds; has dark hair and bright eyes; born to His service. Praise the Lord.

CHALMERS UNION comes into line again with the following officers: President, Mrs. Adelia Smith; Secretary, Miss Mary McCabe; Treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Price; Superintendent of Literature and W. T. P. A. Agent, Mrs. Josie Pettit.

THE RESOLUTION asking that no change be made in the quarterly temperance lessons was adopted by the five hundred delegates in attendance at Indiana State Sunday School Convention, held in Greenfield, June 7-9. This action places Indiana in the front list, if we will only follow it up with reports. If you have received no blank, please send for one at once. September 11 is Temperance Sunday. Push the Pledge Chain. Reports must come in September. Let them be full and Indiana will make a good showing.

ALICE G. GEARY,  
Superintendent.

730 North St., Logansport, Ind.

MRS. JENNIE RIDGEWAY takes her Medal Class into the country, and the Church would not hold the people who come to hear. We could hold a contest in every country church and school house if we willed to do so.

ONE STEP at a time. In conversation with several gentlemen at different times, each representing different occupations, they confessed to knowing that a license ballot is wrong, and that they believed one for prohibition was right. Such men are not confined to any special locality; they are everywhere. Let us see to it that they take the next step and vote for the right.

MONTGOMERY UNION meets at night, and on June 19 had a most encouraging meeting. Four of the honorary members were present. Two of these brothers declared themselves as voting Prohibition in the future. This Union has strong plans for the future. Some of its members have had sickness and death.

SIMS will engage in Suffrage contests. Mrs. Hannah Harper is in charge of the work.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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September 22—World's W. C. T. U. Day. Observed as World's W. C. T. U. Thank-offering Day.

September 28—Membership Crusade and Children Harvest Home Day. Birthday of Frances E. Willard. Observed by special efforts to increase membership in Local Unions and L. T. L's.

## OUR WORLD'S PRESIDENT.

Our Unions are receiving letters from some of our world's workers and are being asked to publish these letters in their county papers. We use the press to advance our cause, and not to air our differences of opinion. Our World's President must be judged by her deeds and her words. Publish those as you will, but to publish other people's judgment of those deeds and words might be a great injustice to one we should wish to honor for the sake of our cause. If our World's President is at fault, will it advance the cause to publish in every paper of the land? Would it not be more consistent with the spirit of our organization to deal with the charges in the convention?

Scripture instructs, if you have aught against your brother, see him; if he will not listen, go to the church and there consider it. If the writers of these letters have seen the offending parties, to no purpose, then let them come to the convention, that we may have the love we bear each other and our cause, to permeate our judgment, otherwise we shall engender strife and thwart justice.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters—The State Convention will be held at LaFayette, October 7 to 11. Every Union is urged to send its full quota of delegates—the President, one delegate at large, and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

Now is the time to elect your delegates. If the money is not already in the treasury to pay the expenses of your delegates, please give immediate attention to a plan for securing it.

No Union can afford to fail in being represented at the State Convention. We need the representatives and each Union needs to have its voice in the planning of the State work.

Each delegate is requested to bring a copy of the White Ribbon Hymnal with her to the Convention. We must sing our sentiments into the minds of the masses.

## DEPARTMENTS.

That our State Superintendents may be able to make good reports to the National Superintendents, will each local Superintendent faithfully report all the work done by the Union in her department? Where special work has been done by a Union, and there is no Superintendent, will the President of the Union make a full report of it to the State Superintendent?

## COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Every member of every Union should feel it her duty to attend the County Convention, thus by her presence and prayers, if in no other way, help to make it a success. Make a great effort, to attend your County Convention. Our cause will not win unless we do our whole duty. The saloon keeper and his patrons may well smile when they see a few women straggling into a Church to attend a County Convention. Invite the men to attend; urge the men to attend; put the right minded physicians on the program to tell the evil effects of alcohol, of cigarette smoking, and the use of tobacco. Advertise the fact that certain prominent men will take part on the program, then each member

should consider herself appointed to invite everybody she meets. Do your best to make your County Convention the very best ever held.

Sisters, there never has been a time in the history of our work when there was greater need for persistent work than now. The enemy never has been so defiant. Will you do your best? We can never hope for victory until our own membership will stand bravely in the front, regardless of preferment.

Yours in loving service,  
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

## THE PROGRAM OF THE INDIANA W. C. T. U. TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, LAFAYETTE, OCTOBER 7 TO 11.

### FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 7.

- 8:00. Opening services—Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.
- 9:00. Convention called to order by the President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis. Roll call of officers, Vice-Presidents (ex-officio), Superintendents, Organizers and Evangelists, by the Recording Secretary, Rev. Mattie O. Cammack, Marion. Reading of minutes and report of Executive Committee. Appointing of Committees on Credentials, Finance, Courtesies, Telegrams, Publications and Plan of Work.
- 10:20. President's annual address.
- 11:20. Miscellaneous business.
- 11:30. Evangelist's hour.
- 12:00. Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Song service in charge of Musical Director, Mrs. D. E. Studebaker, Bluffton.
- 2:15. Invocation—Rev. M. O. Cammack.
- 2:20. Corresponding Secretary's report.
- 2:50. Treasurer's report.
- 3:10. Message report.
- 3:35. Industrial School.
- 4:35. Introduction of visitors. Fraternal delegates. New and unfinished business.
- 4:50. Collecting Credential blanks.
- 5:15. Adjournment.

Communicate in writing. Let each delegate put herself under this rule in the interest of good order.

### FRIDAY EVENING.

- 7:30. Opening exercises in charge of State Officers.
- 8:00. John G. Wolley, the Prohibition prophet, who cries aloud and spares not. Collection. Adjournment.

### SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 8.

- 7:30. Prayer and praise service—Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.
- 8:00. Report of Committee on Credentials.
- 8:30. Election of officers.
- 10:00. Election of Hadley Board and Central Committee.
- 10:45. Presentation of Diplomas in the Medal department in charge of the State Superintendent.

(NOTE—Delegates who have medals are asked to wear them and take seats on the platform. An urgent invitation is given to all medal holders to attend this service. Seats will be reserved for them. A free-will offering will be taken to meet the expenses of this occasion. The class: Forest Cartwright, Portland; Carl Rutter, Terre Haute; Laura B. Newlin, Bloomington; Nellie H. Granger, Hazleton.)

- 11:45. Evangelist's hour.
- 12:15. Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Convention in charge of the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents. The reports of absent Superintendents will not be read, but will appear in the minutes. Department Superintendents—Colored People, Mrs. Mary E. Sims, Indianapolis; Foreigners, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru; Health, Heredity and Physical Culture, Mrs. Clara Boyd, Rockville; Normal Institutes, Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington; Sunday Schools, Mrs. Alice Geary, Logansport; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Adah White, Oxford; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland; Medal Contests, Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis; Temperance Literature, Miss Georgiana Moser, Loogootee; Press, Mrs. Florence Vance, Frankfort; Purity, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Frankfort; Mother's Meetings, Mrs. Harriet Howe, Montpelier; Orphan's Homes, Mrs. I. R. Benham, Wabash; Peace and Arbitration, Miss L. Bailey, Spiceland; Relation of Temperance to Labor and Law and Statistics, Mrs. L. Rush, Fairmount; Household Economics, Mrs. Mary Moody, Indianapolis; Systematic Giving, Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Livonia; Evangelistic, Mrs. Ella J. Davis, Richmond; Railroad Employees, Mrs. Libbie Chandler, Richmond; Mercy, Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington; Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion; Jail and Prison, Miners, Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, Vincennes; Unfermented Wine, Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. C. Vayhinger, Moores Hill; State and County Fairs, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Indianapolis; Franchise, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.
- Saturday evening program in charge of Y. & L. T. L. Branch Secretaries. Their program and that of the Sunday's meetings will appear in the regular program, which will be sent to every Union in good time.

### MONDAY MORNING, OCT. 10.

- 7:30. Praise service.
- 8:30. Reading of minutes. Report of Executive Committee meeting.
- 9:15. Report of State Organizers, Madames Cammack, Hadley, Anderson and Jones.
- 10:00. Report of Plan of Work, with discussion.
- 10:45. Report of Associate Evangelists.
- 11:15. Introduction of visitors.
- 11:30. Evangelists' hour.
- 12:00. Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Memorial services.
- 2:30. Report of Resolution Committee.
- 3:00. Appointing of State Organizers and Associate Evangelists.
- 3:15. Question Box.
- 4:00. Unfinished and miscellaneous business. Introduction of visitors.
- 5:00. Adjournment.

### MONDAY EVENING.

County President's night.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Executive Committee will meet at 1:30 P. M., October 6th, in the Convention Church.

Board of Superintendents will meet at 7 o'clock, Thursday evening, October 6th, in the Convention Church.

Y Conference, Saturday, 1 P. M., in committee room.  
L. T. L. Conference, Monday, 1 P. M., in committee room.

The Groups of Counties will meet Friday, 1:15 P. M., to select their National delegates in the Convention room.

The Railroad Secretary will be present on Monday morning to sign tickets. Any one leaving before securing this signature, can not receive the reduction in their railroad fare.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## L. T. L. BRANCH.

The 4th annual meeting of the L. T. L. of Indiana was held at Acton Camp Ground August 3d. A large delegation of young people came from Greensburg, Indianapolis, Pendleton and other points adjacent. The march through the grounds with flags, and each local Legion giving at intervals its "yell," was a very inspiring and patriotic scene. Indiana may feel proud of her young people who are enlisted in the battle for home. Miss Anna A. Gordan, World's Secretary, sent the following message: "Love to Loyal Legioners fighting for God, home and country." We had a message also from the National Secretary, Mrs. Helen G. Rice. This year gave us 13 graduates, as follows: South Bend, Emma Entzian; Pendleton, Mrs. Estella Spear, Mamie Leightner; Lincolnville, John Porter, Shirley Harden, Numan Harden, Florence Owen, Fred. A. Harvey, Edna White, Dana Jackson, Ethel Owen, Della Hummer. Lincolnville, having the largest class, receives the banner. The outlook for next year's convention is good, as there is prospect of a number of large classes who want the banner.

The officers elected to serve the coming year are: President, James Gipe, Indianapolis; 1st Vice-President, Carl Cammack, Marion; 2d Vice-President, Lottie Benner, Argos; Corresponding Secretary, Mamie Leightner, Pendleton; Recording Secretary, Fred. Carter, Westfield; Treasurer, Ina Boyer, Frankfort.

Superintendents of Departments—Mary Driver, Dunkirk, Flower Mission; George Wines, Frankfort, Mercy; Emma Weimer, Argos, Medal Contest; Jesse Straw, North Manchester, Narcotics; Fred. Carter, Westfield, Narcotics; B. F. Watson, Argos, Agent Young Crusader.

Mr. Fred. Carter, the Recording Secretary, has proven himself so capable and has been so faithful, not having missed one convention, that he was unanimously re-elected to serve his fifth year.

O! the L. T. L's are coming,  
The children are a-field,  
We are marching, we are coming,  
Our clarion call has pealed.

Our clarion call has pealed,  
Not one brigade shall yield.  
O! the L. T. L's are coming,  
The children are a-field.

Adjourned to meet July, '99, the place not being decided upon.

The report blanks have been sent out. Please see to it that they are filled and returned to me before September 15th. And let us have a good report of dues paid. Remember, there is to be a banner presented at LaFayette for the greatest amount over \$5. One Legion is already entitled to it, if none exceeds it. Let us arrange for a good conference at LaFayette and plan for good work in the coming year.

A. R. GORDON.

Argos.

## SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING DEPARTMENT.

As superintendent of this work, I take this opportunity to urge all of my local superintendents to be prompt and enthusiastic in reporting this department work by September 20th. I will not repeat the questions, for I have sent out the report blanks to all of you and you know what is required of you. If there have been superintendents appointed in any Union for this department who have not received a report blank, it is because your name has not been sent to me.

Write to me and I will send report blank at once. There has been a gain in our department work this year. We want a full report without fail. So

"Let us then be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate,  
Still achieving, still pursuing—  
Learn to labor and to wait."

Yours for service,

S. M. SHELTON,

State Superintendent.

Livonia.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Dear Local and County Sunday School Workers—Upon you depends the showing that Indiana will have in the report of our National Superintendent. Will you not make an effort to keep those words, "lacking in statistics," out of Indiana's report. Please report all and any work, however little, now. I must send to the National by the 15th of September. Don't forget the Pledge Chain. Shall it be insignificant, or shall it be of such goodly proportions as to cause us joy in displaying it at LaFayette? Send report of work done on September 11 as soon as possible. Remember to report from September 15, 1897, which includes our last Universal Temperance Sunday, November 28.

## ITEMS OF REPORT.

1. Sunday School membership.
2. Pledged Sunday School membership.
3. Pledged families.
4. Pages of temperance literature used in Sunday School..... Books in Sunday School libraries..... Pages of literature used in department work.....
5. Concerts, addresses, mass-meetings and Sunday School temperance rallies.
6. Number of Sunday Schools having Temperance Secretaries.....
7. In how many conventions, institutes, or schools of methods has Sunday School temperance work been presented?.....
8. How many and what churches and societies observed the last Universal Temperance Sunday?.....
9. How much money was appropriated by your Union for this department during the year?.....
10. How much money was expended?.....
11. How many co-workers secured during the year?.....
12. What do you consider the greatest need of this department?.....

NOTES—Let explicit answers be given to the above questions and figures, however small. With the annual report let a supplementary letter be sent, giving a view of the work in general and all items of interest.

Prayerfully, hopefully yours for reports,

ALICE G. GEARY,

730 North Street, Logansport.

State Superintendent.

## CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP AND EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Your State Superintendent of the above departments wishes to call the attention of all those who are at work through her solicitation and encouragement in the local and county organizations of Indiana and say to them that the time is drawing near for reports. Please give the full name of the Superintendent, the county and town where at work, and answer questions as follows:

## FOR EVANGELISTIC WORK.

1. No. of gospel temperance meetings?
2. How many in churches?
3. How many in prisons and jails?
4. How many in almshouses?
5. How many in halls and cottages?
6. How many mothers' meetings held?
7. How many outdoor services?
8. How many visits made?
9. How many conversions?
10. How many Bible readings given?
11. How many signatures to pledges?
12. How many pages of evangelistic literature distributed?
13. How many sermons preached?
14. How many new W. C. T. U. members?
15. Has your Union grown more spirited during the year? Report any other work done. Send to State Assistant Superintendent by September 20, 1898.

## FOR CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Please send name and address with answers to the following questions:

1. How many pages of Christian citizenship literature distributed?
2. How many articles furnished the press?

3. How many contests held?
4. How many lectures and public meetings held?
5. How many pages of literature distributed?
6. How many medals given?
7. How many Conferences participated in?
8. How many parlor meetings held?
9. How many new W. C. T. U. members secured?

Report any other work done, such as writing letters to legislators, circulating petitions, etc. Speak of whatever change you see for better citizenship in the past year in your place.

M. A. TOMPKINS,

State Superintendent Christian Citizenship.  
308 South Main Street, Elkhart.

## DEPARTMENT PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

In vain did I scan the pages of the last MESSAGE, hoping to find some report of something done somewhere in the State in our especial line of work.

The excitement and enthusiasm attendant upon the contest with Spain has in measure neutralized our interest in peace, while on the other hand many of us, as we read of the wounds and sickness and privations from which our "bravest and best" are suffering; and above all, as we read of the terrible temptations to every phase of evil which beset them, must feel more intensely than ever before how pressing the need of bringing these evils of war to the notice of those who may have influence in the direction of national affairs.

Our National Superintendent is already asking for an early report from our State, and what have we to tell? Dear sister, please do something. Arrange and hold a Parlor Meeting in advocacy of peace. Write an article for your local paper, ask your pastor to preach a peace sermon, distribute literature or talk with your neighbor in favor of the Christ-like way of settling difficulties.

Some of these things can yet be done in time to report them to me by the 15th of September, that I may summarize and report to our National Superintendent before October 1. Please report:

1. Number of meetings held.
2. Peace articles written.
3. Number pages Peace literature distributed, and any other helpful item in connection with our work.

As I write, press reports give hope of an early cessation of our present war. In that hope let us renew our effort for ultimate and abiding peace.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,

Superintendent.

## FLOWER MISSION DEPARTMENT.

Will the workers send their reports in good time to Mrs. Mary A. Baumgardner, 707 Short street, LaPorte, Ind., who wants to be on time with the annual report. Send in every item. Remember,

Little drops of water,  
Little grains of sand,  
Make the mighty ocean  
And the beauteous land.

## RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

Dear Railway Workers—It is my desire to make a full report of the work done in our State for railroad men and the other classes of employees included in the mission of the Railway Department. Please send me, by September 25th, as full answers to the following questions as possible:

1. Enumerate railway systems of your county.
2. Upon what systems is work of this department represented?
3. Number of local Superintendents.
4. Number of public meetings held during year.
- (a) Of meetings reported; number held in shops.
- (b) Social or literary entertainments held.
5. Number of song services. (a) Open air. (b) Churches or halls. (c) Name societies co-operating.
6. Number of pledges taken.
7. Number of way-cars or caboose equipped.
- (a) Engine cabs equipped (b) Emergency boxes supplied.
8. Pages of literature distributed. (a) Number Bibles given
9. Number magazines and books donated.
10. Number Railway reading rooms. (a) Under what auspices?
11. W. C. T. U. restaurants for railroad men; number and where located.
12. What effort is made to get railroad men good boarding places?
13. Number of visits to hospitals. (a) W. C. T. U. women made "official visitors" by corporations (give names, also corporations showing this recognition.)



the purchase of Temple Trust Bonds, as had been the understanding of the Temple trustees and our constituency, and this we count in the \$67,000 of stock not available for retiring bonds.

The Temple status to-day is therefore as follows: The building is erected on leased ground, owned by Mr. Marshall Field, for which an annual rental of \$40,000 must be paid for 188 years without possibility of re-valuation.

Six hundred thousand dollars of building bonds were issued as lien upon the building and are held by the Field Museum of Chicago. These could be purchased only at par value.

Three hundred thousand dollars of stock is held by the American Trust and Savings Bank as security for the \$300,000 Temple Trust Bonds.

Two hundred and eighty-four thousand seven hundred dollars of stock is owned by capitalists in Chicago, of which amount Mr. Field owns \$118,400.

Fifteen thousand three hundred dollars is held by Mrs. Matilda B. Carse for the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

To secure the entire Temple, which would still stand upon leased ground, and so could not in reality be owned, we would require, in addition to the \$15,300 of stock now held, \$300,000 to retire the Temple Trust Bonds, plus \$600,000 building bonds, plus \$217,700 stock as above mentioned (\$284,700 minus \$67,000 equals \$217,700.) To meet this large total of \$1,117,700 we have, at the most generous estimate, only the sum of \$142,500 given above, thus leaving a balance of \$975,200 to be raised.\*

From reports received from States and foreign lands, the General Officers have reason to hope that \$15,000 additional might be raised before November 1. Our women have done their utmost, and stern reality forces us to face the conclusion that the money will not come from the rich people of the nation. If this \$15,000 were raised, there would still remain \$142,500 deficit on the Temple Trust Bonds, to say nothing of the other large sums which must be raised before the Temple could be owned.

Interviews with business and professional men and women have clearly revealed the fact that there is no lack of interest throughout the nation in a proposed memorial to Miss Willard, and no lack of appreciation of her matchless character and marvelous work, but that the Temple does not appeal to the public as a fitting memorial. No large sums have been received from the outside public, but white ribbon women have generously responded during the eleven years since the beginning of the enterprise. About \$250,000 has been raised for the Temple almost entirely by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. This money, with the exception of the \$20,000 held by Miss Dow, has been placed in the hands of the Temple directors and Temple trustees, and up to October, 1897, of this amount there had been, according to Mrs. Carse's statement, expended as follows:

#### TEMPLE GIFT FUND.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED DURING TEN YEARS FROM AUGUST, 1887, TO OCTOBER, 1897

Gifts.....	\$195,964 00
Note secured by mortgage.....	1,800 00
Chicago real estate.....	2,000 00
Interest.....	2,377 63
Balance from bond account.....	3,141 15
	\$205,282 78

#### EXPENDED.

Interest from Temple Trust Bonds.....	\$64,157 50
Temple stock.....	56,600 00
Expense account.....	2,042 12
Salaries of Secretary and Clerks.....	8,928 87
Stationery and printing.....	6,318 74
Postage.....	3,365 02
Interest and exchange.....	4,101 65
Rent.....	1,920 40
Mrs. Carse's traveling expenses in interest of Temple.....	1,826 86
Expenses of Trustees to important meetings.....	430 00
Express.....	727 87
Building room on roof.....	1,502 79
Furniture and fixtures.....	593 08
Mite boxes.....	631 23
Legal services.....	477 90
Medals.....	1,008 66
Returned to donors.....	218 90
Putting names on tablets.....	2,001 40
Finishing Willard Hall.....	12,397 21
Loss by bank failure.....	2,143 51
Commissions.....	50 00
Advertising.....	51 95
Telephone.....	626 67
Premiums.....	4,947 23
Miss Shontz—expenses.....	591 84
	\$177,641 40
Balance October 1, 1897.....	27,641 38
	\$205,282 78

\*We have not mentioned in this statement the \$36,000 accrued interest on the Temple Trust Bonds nor the original floating debt of \$65,000, which has been reduced to \$20,000.

#### BOND ACCOUNT.

Amount received from sale of bonds.....	\$303,765 78
Stock purchased.....	\$250,000 00
Interest on bonds.....	16,878 00
Bankers' commission.....	7,500 00
Expense account.....	2,582 04
Interest on stock.....	23,664 59
	\$600,624 63
Balance transferred to gift fund.....	3,141 15
	\$603,765 78

This statement brings the matter down to the present date, and answers the question why a meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has been called in the interim of the National Conventions. Your General Officers, while appreciating the brave spirit and indomitable efforts of Mrs. Carse, have become convinced, not alone of the hopelessness of the attempt to own the Temple, but of the lack of understanding regarding the situation that exists among our own women, as well as on the part of the general public.

In so crucial a time they do not feel warranted in taking a decisive step in regard to the Temple without the wisdom and counsel of the Executive Committee. They are anxious that some plan should be devised at once, which shall determine the action of our organization during the months intervening before the memorial Convention in St. Paul, in order that that Convention, the most sorrowful in our history as a society, may be free from anything out of harmony with its tender and sacred character. They are sure that, in laying this matter thus before the Executive Committee and in trying to formulate a plan for united action, they are following out what would be, if she were with us, Miss Willard's own wish. She frequently expressed herself as being unfavorable toward so great a financial undertaking as the Temple has proved itself to be. She said again and again to personal friends that her work for the Temple should not extend beyond this year; that the matter must be settled at the next Convention.

They are fully aware that the National Convention itself is the final court of appeal upon this and all other matters; nevertheless, they believe that the Executive Committee may be able to suggest a policy which shall unite all dissenting voices and bring all together in the union we so greatly desire. Although fully persuaded that it is an utter impossibility for us ever to own the Temple, they still hope that such an arrangement may be entered upon as shall make it possible to pay, in part at least, the most needy bondholders and to retain Willard Hall on a long lease, which, without doubt, could be renewed at its expiration. Bear in mind the fact that, even though the million and a quarter, which the Temple cost, were to be raised, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union could not own Willard Hall, since it stands on leased ground. If favorable terms could be secured, it would be far more economical, and fully as effective in the end, for the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union to lease Willard Hall and pay rent for National Headquarters in the Temple, which we have done since its completion, as it would be for us to go on in this hopeless effort to own the entire building.

We believe the statement of the General Officers will appeal to our great constituency, and we pray that such divine wisdom may be given as will enable us to plan wisely for the best interests of our great organization.

[Signed] LILIAN M. N. STEVENS, *Acting Pres.*  
KATHARINE L. STEVENSON, *Cor. Sec.*  
CLARA C. HOFFMAN, *Rec. Sec.*  
FRANCES E. BEAUCHAMP, *Asst. Rec. Sec.*  
HELEN M. BARKER, *Treas.*

Adopted by the Executive Committee and ordered sent out as its official statement, July 15, 1898.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION, PASSED JULY 16, 1898.

WHEREAS, After eleven years of heroic effort on behalf of the Temple enterprise, an affiliated interest of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, we find ourselves forced to face the facts set forth in the official statement of the General Officers of our organization; be it therefore regretfully

*Resolved, First,* That it is the sense of the executive committee that the appeal of the General Officers sent out in March last should be at once withdrawn, and that all efforts on the part of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union to raise money with a view to owning the Temple be discontinued, and we recommend that no further call to local unions or efforts by them be made to own or pay for the Temple.

*Resolved, Second,* That while we are not legally bound, we regard it as a sacred trust to purchase, before the next convention, the Temple trust bonds so far as available funds make possible. Therefore we recommend, provided the permission of the donors be secured, that all money now in the hands of the Temple Trustees and Miss Cornelia Dow, with all money forwarded to her for this purpose before November 1, 1898, be used to purchase these bonds. To such bondholders as do not dispose of their Temple trust bonds before November 1, 1898, we recommend that they may be exchanged for their collateral security or Temple stock.

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#### INDIANA SPEAKS.

Let us reason together, that we may be more closely knit together in love in seeming defeat; there can be no defeat to those who love the Lord, for all things work together for good. Having had the wish and example of our dear Miss Willard in regard to the Temple, and the year she expected to give to the work so rapidly passing away, we should have seen hopeful indications of raising the money, but the amount in the custodian's hands is pitifully small; hence the action of our Executive Committee, which action is simply a reminder of this fact—the crisis is upon us. Remember Mrs. Carse may be like Moses, called and led of God, and yet not permitted to see the promised land—in Mrs. Carse's case, the Temple—paid for. Israel was at fault and provoked Moses. It is possible the W. C. T. U. has been at fault in its slowness, its judgment and speech; and Mrs. Carse, in her determination to succeed, impatient. So trying to human nature is defeat. The action of the Convention must be final; every vote for the Temple should represent cash. No woman can justly vote for some other one to pay for the Temple without she states just how much she can help. And when the vote is taken and the several amounts counted, if we have the money no woman in the Convention will oppose the Temple. If we do not have the money—and the judgment of the majority says we had better stop now and give the project up—shall we not do so in the name of the Lord?

The amount of money raised from now on to the time of the Convention, is the measure of our faith and love for the ownership of the Temple. If God be for us, who can be against us?

#### OUR CRUSADE

Began against the saloon. It has lasted twenty-five years. As an organization we must begin a second crusade on the *Christian voter*. If civilization, education and gospel have not already prepared a majority of the American voters to denounce the traffic in rum, they have been a failure. If men can tell the truth, the majority see the evil of the business as well as that of the habit. Seeing this, many such men vote license. *Voting license is not a Christian act.* Bring the pressure of our organization down on that point until that sentiment is as widely believed as that Christian men cannot drink or sell, and the battle is won to this extent. Law and Gospel and Education, the great trinity of righteousness, will harmonize; then it will simply take time. To-day Christian men consent with license ballots to have rum made and sold under law or by law. A crusade at this point will wake up the churches to make their resolutions more than words on paper. Count me for the second crusade.

MARY E. BALCH.

#### LOCAL UNIONS.

This is a matter for every Union to consider. If every member of the Union will take the MESSAGE the State will furnish the Union with one copy of the *Union Signal* free. When members think they cannot afford to take the MESSAGE after paying their membership fee, would it not be wise for the Union to take it for them? In organizing new Unions we allow each one to get 25 cents credit on their dues if they will take the MESSAGE at once. Thirty cents of each one's dues belong to the Union, and if they agree to use it that way, it means very soon every member will read our State organ and will become more and more established in our principles and manner of working. It means the success of the paper and an intelligent membership. Unions cannot make a better investment of that amount of money. This will very likely come before the convention as a recommendation to Unions.

MRS. HELEN L. BULLOCK and her daughter, of New York, are expected with us at our State Convention.



# THE TEMPLE.

The following official statement has been sent out from the Press Department of the National W. C. T. U.:

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union is in no way legally bound to the Temple or any of its entanglements. It is now supposed that most of the Temple trust bonds are held by capitalists as are the other Temple bonds. No doubt some of them are held by poor people, and it is the desire of the National officers to relieve them as far as the funds, which have been sent to Miss Dow, will admit.

Miss Gordon, who offered the resolutions of the Executive Committee, favoring giving up the Temple, was for 21 years Miss Willard's private secretary and constant companion and devoted friend. She more than any other knew Miss Willard's inmost thought regarding the Temple and all other W. C. T. U. interests. Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, Miss Willard's successor, was for twenty-four years Miss Willard's constant friend. There was never a shadow came between their friendship. Mrs. Stevens' chief delight in the National work seemed to be to do that which would most help Miss Willard. When the National constitution was changed so as to provide for a vice-president-at-large, to act in place of the president when the latter should be prevented from acting, Miss Willard nominated Mrs. Stevens, and she repeated this nomination each year. When Miss Willard was ill in New York, Mrs. Stevens was summoned to her side. No one conversant with facts can deny that Miss Gordon and Mrs. Stevens have acted conscientiously in the Temple matter, and no one can ever doubt their love and loyalty to Miss Willard.

The Temple is only an affiliated interest of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. It is not an integral part of its work, as are its forty departments under the heads of Organization, Preventive, Educational, Evangelistic, Social and Legal. The building has never brought in revenue to the Society; on the contrary more than \$200,000, mostly from White Ribboners, has been spent in floating the enterprise, while the National W. C. T. U. has paid, and is paying to-day, regular rent for its offices in the Temple, and the Central W. C. T. U. of Chicago has paid, and is paying to-day, rent for Willard Hall, in which are held, under the auspices of that Union, the noontide meetings. Hence, in having to give up the Temple, the W. C. T. U. had nothing to lose, but much to gain by enlightening the White Ribboners, so that they would understand the exact situation, in order that their money, representing so much self-sacrifice, should be in the future rightly applied toward the building up of our work.

The action taken by the National Executive Committee, July 15th, when they voted to give up all hope and effort to own the Temple, is meeting with the approval of the leading officers and workers. Lady Henry Somerset, President, Miss Agnes Slack and Miss Anna Gordon, Secretaries, and Mrs. Sannerson, the general officers of the World's W. C. T. U., all heartily endorse the action of the Executive Committee. At the Executive Committee in Chicago, as has been stated, eighteen were in favor of giving up the Temple and four opposed. Since that time all of the absent members of the National Executive Committee have been heard from save five, and all of those heard from agree that the Committee did right in its meetings July 15th. The National Superintendents, so far as heard from, with one exception, approve the action of the Executive Committee, as do also Mrs. J. K. Barney, round-the-world missionary, Mrs. Mary Livermore, and Mrs. Hannah J. Bailey, Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration.

The statement herewith appended, has been sent to every local Union in the Nation, accompanied by a letter from the General Officers of the National W. C. T. U., of which the following is the closing paragraph:

"We are sure that we need not remind you that there is in the hearts of the General Officers and the other members of the executive committee only kindness and love toward those who have been most active and zealous in the Temple enterprise. We have no criticisms or recriminations, but only praise for their zeal and loyalty. At the same time we feel that the time has come when the facts of the case should be made known throughout the entire country, in order that in the light of those facts the history of the next few months may be made. If it be considered that we have lost sight of God as a power in this movement, we must venture to remind you that it seems to us that we have caught a new vision of God in his justice and

righteousness, and if it be considered that it is a lack of faith which induces us to take the stand we have taken, we must answer also that we have faith enough to believe that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will exist and go forward conquering and to conquer, though it be stripped of every outside interest.

"May God give to us all wisdom and light and enable us to do his will."

## STATEMENT OF THE GENERAL OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

Your General Officers find, on examining the records of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, that the first reference to the Temple, an affiliated interest of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, was made in a brief sentence in Miss Willard's address at the Minneapolis Convention in 1886, in which she states that but for the riots Mrs. Carse would have already undertaken the enterprise.

In the Convention of 1887, at Nashville, Tenn., they find the following record: "Mr. Hall was followed by Mrs. Carse, who presented the cause of the Temperance Temple, after which large amounts were subscribed for the enterprise."

In the minutes of the executive committee meeting of November 21, 1887, they find the following record: "Mrs. Hobbs and Mrs. Carse were granted hearings, and addressed the committee on the Temperance Temple. Owing to the pressure of business, Mrs. Rounds moved that this be referred to the General Officers, with a definite understanding that the erection of the Temple upon leased ground cannot be indorsed. Carried."

In the President's annual address of that year the following sentences occur: "Mrs. Matilda B. Carse will tell you of her plans and show you a picture of the wonderful Temple which she has seen in visions on the mount of faith and prayer. She promises not to build until she has \$500,000 in the bank, so we are safe from anything chimerical. She does not ask us to assume legal responsibility, so we cannot complain."

In the report of the resolutions committee of 1887, the following resolution appears as No. 12: "Temperance Temple. *Resolved*, That we cordially endorse the grand plan of the Temperance Temple, as presented by its founder, and pledge to this great enterprise our hearty co-operation with money and influence." After full discussion this resolution was referred to the executive committee, by whom it was again referred to the post executive. In the post executive committee the following was offered by Mrs. Hoffman: "*Resolved*, That we regard with admiration and amazement the colossal plans of our earnest and devoted sister, Mrs. Matilda B. Carse, of Chicago, for the building of a Temperance Temple in that city as a home and source of financial revenue to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and that, while we assume no legal responsibility whatever, we do give to Mrs. Carse our sympathy, our prayers, and pledge ourselves not to hinder or embarrass her in the prosecution of her plans, provided she shall legally obligate herself not to begin the work until \$500,000 shall be secured." Adopted.

After the Nashville Convention the whole enterprise seems to have become involved in misunderstanding in the minds of many of the women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The building was erected upon leased ground, after only \$61,000 of stock had been subscribed by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Subsequently, all but \$15,300 of the \$61,000 was used for the issuing of the \$300,000 Temple Trust Bonds, and the accrued interest on the stock purchased, which bonds stand as a mortgage upon \$300,000 worth of stock now held in escrow by the American Trust and Savings Bank, as collateral for the Temple trust bonds. While these bonds were issued by Mrs. Carse upon her own responsibility, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union practically endorsed her action at the next convention.

Previous to the Convention of 1897, a committee of inquiry into the status of the affiliated interests of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union was, at the request of Miss Willard, appointed by the General Officers. This committee consisted of Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, Vice-President-at-Large; Miss Elizabeth Preston, President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of North Dakota, and Miss Margaret Hilles, President of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Delaware. Miss Hilles found it impossible to serve, but Mrs. Stevens and Miss Preston met at Chicago during the latter part of October, and, together with the other affiliated interests,

thoroughly investigated the financial standing of the Temple.

The report of this committee was given by Mrs. Stevens at the Buffalo Convention, and was of a discouraging nature concerning the probability of the final ownership of the Temple by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Miss Willard bravely threw herself into the breach, pledging to give her fifty-ninth year to an effort to retire the Temple Trust Bonds, saying: "I shall not come around making any soft words to the Local Unions nor the White Ribboners. They have done enough. Turn we now to the Gentiles. I shall only try to help get enough to retire the \$300,000 Temple Trust Bonds, thus holding the balance of votes, but shall not try to own the whole Temple. The White Ribboners shall not be disturbed. They have done nobly. They have become weary. I do not wonder that they are a little discouraged, and what I would like to do is to lift the burden." Miss Cornelia Dow, daughter of Gen. Neal Dow, of Portland, Me., was nominated by Miss Willard, and appointed by the Convention, as custodian of this fund.

The Convention endorsed Miss Willard's plan of going to the people of wealth with an appeal for the money necessary to retire the Temple Trust Bonds, and a resolution to that effect was carried. During the weeks intervening between the Buffalo Convention and the beginning of Miss Willard's illness in New York, she did all that she could in the way of interviewing people in Chicago and elsewhere, but without marked results. One of her last acts was to prepare the letter, since widely circulated, which was to be sent to men and women of wealth throughout the Nation, telling the purpose of the Temple and what it stood for in her thought. This letter, though prepared some weeks before her death, was not published until after that sad event. Her fifty-ninth year came all too soon to a close, and the work which was to have occupied its months was left only just begun.

After her "going away" the general officers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, as soon as they could at all rally from the shock of their great loss, took up the burden her tired hands had laid down, pledging themselves to send out her letter, and by every other means in their power to further the enterprise. They were encouraged by letters, which came to them from all over the Nation, to believe that not only her original plan of retiring the Temple Trust Bonds might be carried out, but that through the impulse of public sympathy and sorrow the Temple itself might be paid for. Acting upon this thought, they issued a call for the formation of citizens' committees in every State, whose work it should be to raise money for the Temple as a memorial building to our departed leader. March 20th was set apart as a special memorial day, and they asked that the collections taken on that day might be forwarded to Miss Cornelia Dow. In nearly every State this work was taken up; committees were appointed in large cities, and in some places almost a house-to-house visitation was made. The ultimate date set before the women for the raising of this money was July 1, 1898, since Mrs. Carse had repeatedly stated in the *Union Signal* and elsewhere that at that time the offer of \$50,000 made by Mr. Marshall Field would expire. In addition to the work of the General Officers, the Temple Trustees have continued their endeavor and made a supreme effort toward raising the required amount.

On July 1, your General Officers held a meeting to consider the present status of the enterprise, and found that through their own efforts, combined with those of the Temple Trustees, the results are as follows:

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This leaves, provided the conditional pledges are met, a deficit of \$157,500 before the Temple Trust Bonds of \$300,000 can be released.

Stock donated, not available for bonds, \$67,000.

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MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
Superintendent of Press.

## BAY VIEW INSTITUTE.

The Bay View Institute convened at Evelyn, July 21st, forming part of the Assembly program from the 21st to 30th. The first evening a reception was given to the visiting members of the W. C. T. U. Texas, Colorado, Missouri, Ohio, New York, Massachusetts, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and California were represented. Mrs. Rounds, State President of Illinois, also President of Bay View Institute, occupied the chair. Five States were represented on the program. Bible readings were given by Mrs. Eldridge of Indiana. The topics, "What is True Recreation?" and "A Question of Privilege" were given by Mrs. Grant, of Illinois. "Hygiene in the Home," "Childhood, Its Cares and Culture," by Mrs. Vie H. Campbell, of Wisconsin. "Our Weapons, and How to Use Them," "A Model W. C. T. U. Woman," by Mrs. Mary E. Kuhl, of Illinois. "How Indiana Secured an Anti-Cigarette Law," "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed," by Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, President of Indiana W. C. T. U. "A Study in Social Science," "The Psychology of Crime," by Mrs. C. Faxon, of Michigan. "A Christian Nation. Why and Why Not?" "The Economy and Humanity of Prevention," by Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President of Indiana W. C. T. U. "The Value of Police Matron Work," by Mrs. Jane McKinney, of Michigan. "The Value of Devotional Music," by Mrs. Read, of Illinois, and "The Value of Medal Contest Work," by Miss L. Newton, of Indiana. Each topic was allowed ten minutes for presentation and twenty minutes for discussion.

Bay View W. C. T. U. anniversary was celebrated at the Auditorium with a lecture entitled "The Worth

of Wage Worker," by Mrs. Lenore Lake, Vice-President of the C. T. A. S. of America. All meetings were largely attended and great interest shown.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.  
TRUSTEES.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia ave., Indianapolis; Mrs. Phebe R. Curryer, Corresponding Secretary, 1320 College ave., Indianapolis; Mrs. Mattie Chandler, Recording Secretary, Friendswood, Ind.; Mrs. Mary J. Flick, Vice-President, Lawrence, Ind.; Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Treasurer, Greensburg, Ind.; Mrs. Louise Wardner, LaPorte, Ind.; Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, Amo, Ind.; Mrs. G. E. Stanton, 441 Cherry street, Indianapolis; Mrs. Annie Johnston, Fairmount, Ind.

It is now four years since the Hadley Home opened its doors to receive its children. All this time the struggle for existence has kept up with a steady gain in its favor. In the march of events, new conditions arise and must be met. It has been demonstrated by experiment that we can never fully protect our girls from vicious associations until we have a teacher in the Home, and stop their attendance at the village school. We must trust the W. C. T. U. workers, under God's guidance, to make it possible for us to have a school in the Home, by providing the necessary funds to carry it forward. We must prove ourselves worthy of the trust we have undertaken. Benevolent men and women have laid their offerings at our feet, because they had faith that we could work out some of their high ideals. Let us not disappoint them. There are now 17 girls in the Home, and three more expected. Do you know we have no bath-room?

The old debts have nearly all been cancelled. Less than \$100 will finish them. Our Superintendent and Matron have rendered ten months' service since they were paid. The farm has added its products. \$97 has been received from sale of cattle, \$53 from sale of hogs, leaving 16 head of cattle and 30 head of hogs on the farm. The large barn is completely filled with clover, hay and oats. The corn crop gives fair promise and the garden and poultry are supplying the table with healthful food. While the projectors of this enterprise are living and are helping to push it forward, is the time for stress to be put on effort to raise the money and make the improvements that are necessary for the comfort and health of the inmates. Relieve the officers, and bless the children. Less than this argues lack of ability to appreciate an opportunity for great possibilities. Those who have done so much will do more, if every Union in Indiana will show a willing hand and send a liberal contribution.

LUCRETIA HOBART,  
President.

MRS. McWHIRTER filled the following engagements: South Bend, the First Baptist church, Sunday, August 28th, 10:30 A. M.; South Bend, Picnic and Temperance Convention at Springbook Park, Tuesday, August 30th, presiding and addressed the morning session; Lucerne, Picnic, August 31st and will be at Angola, Steuben County Convention, September 1st; Muncie, Mothers' Meeting, September 8th; Albany, Delaware County Convention, September 9th; Lapel, Madison County Convention, September 13th; Logansport, Cass County Convention, September 16th.

MRS. LOUISE S. ROUNDS, President of Illinois W. C. T. U., has consented to attend some of our County Conventions. No braver, more valient temperance orator can be secured to present our cause to the people than Mrs. Rounds. Those who desire her services will receive a speedy reply by addressing her at 1116, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

LINDLEY AND PHLOX UNIONS are holding contests about every two or three weeks. Many gold medals will be the result.

MISS MARIE BREHM, National Superintendent of Franchise, who has done efficient work in Indiana, will be available for work after the State Convention.

## DEAR SISTERS OF THE W. C. T. U.:

I have sent out blanks to every Superintendent of Social Purity in the State, to be returned to me by September 15. But a comparatively few Unions have Superintendents, while nearly every Union does some work along this line. If you have done any Rescue work, legislative, given out literature, held public meetings, etc., will not the Corresponding Secretary or President please report to me? Have you a Curfew law? Is it enforced? What is its effects?

Any Superintendent who fails to receive a blank will please write me at once. FRANCES G. BOYER,  
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THE DEKALB COUNTY CONVENTION was held at Garrett, August 20. We were highly favored by having Mrs. Mattie Cammack with us. Her practical talks during the day and her address in the evening were much appreciated. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. B. Jones, Garrett; Vice-President, Miss Laura Keeran, Auburn; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Blanche Stewart, Garrett; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Baker, St. Joe; Treasurer, Mrs. Silvers, Auburn. Superintendents—Jail and Prison, Mrs. Quince, Auburn; Evangelistic, Mrs. C. B. Jones, Garrett; Medal Contest, Mrs. Ada Sewell, Waterloo; Purity, Mrs. May Ehlers, Auburn; Flower Mission, Mrs. Lacky, Auburn; Sunday School, Mrs. O. A. Lang, Waterloo; Literature, Mrs. I. D. Daily, Butler; Mercy and Help, Miss Keeran, Auburn; Press, Mrs. M. A. Stafford, St. Joe.

O. A. LANG,  
Secretary pro tem.

FRANKFORT had a day of the great Redmen's Pow-wow. Mrs. Hattie Barricklow, President of the Willard Union, heard that beer was being illegally sold on the fair ground. The policeman to whom she reported told her that before anything could be done against it, she must prove the fact of the sale of the beer by buying some. This she did, after which the officer ordered that no more beer be sold. So far as known the order was obeyed.

RAILROAD RATES to LaFayette—One and one-third fare for the round trip will be granted to all those desiring to attend the Indiana W. C. T. U. State Convention, to be held at LaFayette, October 7-11.

## PLEASANT LAKE UNION.

List of new members for this year: Mrs. Ortesie Gilbert, Mrs. Lizzie Fegley, Mrs. Minnie Robertson, Mrs. Hannah Gilbert, Mrs. Estella Fisk, Mrs. Sarah Lacy, Mrs. Carrie Huffman, Mrs. Susie Long, Mrs. Emma Mountz, Miss Stella Fisk, Miss Lillie Fisk, Miss Clara Fisk, Miss Edith Lacy, Miss Nora Gilmore. Honorary members—Rev. S. L. Roberts, Mr. L. I. Maston, Mr. J. O. Matson.

## STEBUEN COUNTY.

President Mrs. Willinar, who has been a member of the W. C. T. U. two and one-half years, has proven herself a general in ability. She is not only capable of planning work, but has the force to push to completion her plans. Through her effort we have been able to have Mrs. Mattie Cammack, our State Organizer, in our county nearly two weeks. She first came to Ashley August 8th. She lectured one evening, attended a reception given her by the ladies and spoke at a Mothers' Meeting. Only those who have heard her helpful words to mothers can know the inspiration. She gives mothers to be all God intended them to be, true, helpful mothers in the largest sense of the word. She spent two days at Hudson, attended a temperance entertainment, lectured one evening, held a day meeting and organized a society with twelve members, five women and seven girls. She then went to Fremont, where she spoke two evenings and held a day meeting. She spoke at Nevad Mills Sunday afternoon and at Ray Monday afternoon and evening. Tuesday, the 15th, she went to Hamilton, where she conducted four meetings and organized a contest class. She went to Pleasant Lake (Mrs. Willinar's home) the 18th to finish her work. The local W. C. T. U. gave her a reception at the Baptist church, serving light refreshments to all in attendance. The young people furnished good music and Mrs. Cammack gave one of her sparkling half-hour talks. Friday, the 19th, there was a picnic in the Lake Wood Park, a beautiful grove of oaks on the banks of the lake. There were a number of delegates from the different Unions of the county. After a bountiful basket dinner and an hour of social talk, the President called the meeting to order. Our local Union is blessed with a number of young married women and girls who are good singers. Their fresh, young voices opened the program and furnished the music. Mrs. Willinar led in the devotional. Miss Clara Fisk rendered a fine solo, and also gave an excellent recitation, "Our Babies," in her expressive manner. Mrs. Cammack gave us a fine address, taking for her subject the parable of the Good Samaritan. Judging from the excellent attention paid her, we believe good seed was sown that will bring forth, we hope, an hundred fold at the harvest. After singing "God be with you till we meet again," we went to our homes, greatly encouraged to push on the work of the W. C. T. U.

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REV. MATTIE O. CAMMAK will lecture at South-West the coming week. We all enjoy her lectures.

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MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
Superintendent of Press.

## BAY VIEW INSTITUTE.

The Bay View Institute convened at Evelyn, July 21st, forming part of the Assembly program from the 21st to 30th. The first evening a reception was given to the visiting members of the W. C. T. U. Texas, Colorado, Missouri, Ohio, New York, Massachusetts, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and California were represented. Mrs. Rounds, State President of Illinois, also President of Bay View Institute, occupied the chair. Five States were represented on the program. Bible readings were given by Mrs. Eldridge of Indiana. The topics, "What is True Recreation?" and "A Question of Privilege" were given by Mrs. Grant, of Illinois. "Hygiene in the Home," "Childhood, Its Cares and Culture," by Mrs. Vie H. Campbell, of Wisconsin. "Our Weapons, and How to Use Them," "A Model W. C. T. U. Woman," by Mrs. Mary E. Kuhl, of Illinois. "How Indiana Secured an Anti-Cigarette Law," "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed," by Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, President of Indiana W. C. T. U. "A Study in Social Science," "The Psychology of Crime," by Mrs. C. Faxon, of Michigan. "A Christian Nation. Why and Why Not?" "The Economy and Humanity of Prevention," by Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President of Indiana W. C. T. U. "The Value of Police Matron Work," by Mrs. Jane McKinney, of Michigan. "The Value of Devotional Music," by Mrs. Read, of Illinois, and "The Value of Medal Contest Work," by Miss L. Newlin, of Indiana. Each topic was allowed ten minutes for presentation and twenty minutes for discussion.

Bay View W. C. T. U. anniversary was celebrated at the Auditorium with a lecture entitled "The Worth

of Wage Worker," by Mrs. Lenore Lake, Vice-President of the C. T. A. S. of America. All meetings were largely attended and great interest shown.

HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.  
TRUSTEES.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia ave., Indianapolis; Mrs. Phebe R. Curryer, Corresponding Secretary, 1320 College ave., Indianapolis; Mrs. Mattie Chandler, Recording Secretary, Friendswood, Ind.; Mrs. Mary J. Flick, Vice-President, Lawrence, Ind.; Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Treasurer, Greensburg, Ind.; Mrs. Louise Wardner, LaPorte, Ind.; Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, Amo, Ind.; Mrs. G. E. Stanton, 441 Cherry street, Indianapolis; Mrs. Annie Johnston, Fairmount, Ind.

It is now four years since the Hadley Home opened its doors to receive its children. All this time the struggle for existence has kept up with a steady gain in its favor. In the march of events, new conditions arise and must be met. It has been demonstrated by experiment that we can never fully protect our girls from vicious associations until we have a teacher in the Home, and stop their attendance at the village school. We must trust the W. C. T. U. workers, under God's guidance, to make it possible for us to have a school in the Home, by providing the necessary funds to carry it forward. We must prove ourselves worthy of the trust we have undertaken. Benevolent men and women have laid their offerings at our feet, because they had faith that we could work out some of their high ideals. Let us not disappoint them. There are now 17 girls in the Home, and three more expected. Do you know we have no bath-room?

The old debts have nearly all been cancelled. Less than \$100 will finish them. Our Superintendent and Matron have rendered ten months' service since they were paid. The farm has added its products. \$97 has been received from sale of cattle, \$53 from sale of hogs, leaving 16 head of cattle and 30 head of hogs on the farm. The large barn is completely filled with clover, hay and oats. The corn crop gives fair promise and the garden and poultry are supplying the table with healthful food. While the projectors of this enterprise are living and are helping to push it forward, is the time for stress to be put on effort to raise the money and make the improvements that are necessary for the comfort and health of the inmates. Relieve the officers, and bless the children. Less than this argues lack of ability to appreciate an opportunity for great possibilities. Those who have done so much will do more, if every Union in Indiana will show a willing hand and send a liberal contribution.

LUCRETIA HOBART,  
President.

MRS. McWHIRTER filled the following engagements: South Bend, the First Baptist church, Sunday, August 28th, 10:30 A. M.; South Bend, Picnic and Temperance Convention at Springbook Park, Tuesday, August 30th, presiding and addressed the morning session; Lucerne, Picnic, August 31st and will be at Angola, Steuben County Convention, September 1st; Muncie, Mothers' Meeting, September 8th; Albany, Delaware County Convention, September 9th; Lapel, Madison County Convention, September 13th; Logansport, Cass County Convention, September 16th.

MRS. LOUISE S. ROUNDS, President of Illinois W. C. T. U., has consented to attend some of our County Conventions. No braver, more valient temperance orator can be secured to present our cause to the people than Mrs. Rounds. Those who desire her services will receive a speedy reply by addressing her at 1116, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

LINDLEY AND PHLOX UNIONS are holding contests about every two or three weeks. Many gold medals will be the result.

MISS MARIE BREHM, National Superintendent of Franchise, who has done efficient work in Indiana, will be available for work after the State Convention.

## DEAR SISTERS OF THE W. C. T. U.:

I have sent out blanks to every Superintendent of Social Purity in the State, to be returned to me by September 15. But a comparatively few Unions have Superintendents, while nearly every Union does some work along this line. If you have done any Rescue work, legislative, given out literature, held public meetings, etc., will not the Corresponding Secretary or President please report to me? Have you a Curfew law? Is it enforced? What is its effects?

Any Superintendent who fails to receive a blank will please write me at once. FRANCES G. BOYER,  
State Superintendent.

THE DEKALB COUNTY CONVENTION was held at Garrett, August 20. We were highly favored by having Mrs. Mattie Cammack with us. Her practical talks during the day and her address in the evening were much appreciated. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. B. Jones, Garrett; Vice-President, Miss Laura Keeran, Auburn; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Blanche Stewart, Garrett; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Baker, St. Joe; Treasurer, Mrs. Silvers, Auburn. Superintendents—Jail and Prison, Mrs. Quince, Auburn; Evangelistic, Mrs. C. B. Jones, Garrett; Medal Contest, Mrs. Ada Sewell, Waterloo; Purity, Mrs. May Ehlers, Auburn; Flower Mission, Mrs. Lacky, Auburn; Sunday School, Mrs. O. A. Lang, Waterloo; Literature, Mrs. I. D. Daily, Butler; Mercy and Help, Miss Keeran, Auburn; Press, Mrs. M. A. Stafford, St. Joe.

O. A. LANG,  
Secretary pro tem.

FRANKFORT had a day of the great Redmen's Pow-wow. Mrs. Hattie Barricklow, President of the Willard Union, heard that beer was being illegally sold on the fair ground. The policeman to whom she reported told her that before anything could be done against it, she must prove the fact of the sale of the beer by buying some. This she did, after which the officer ordered that no more beer be sold. So far as known the order was obeyed.

RAILROAD RATES to LaFayette—One and one-third fare for the round trip will be granted to all those desiring to attend the Indiana W. C. T. U. State Convention, to be held at LaFayette, October 7-11.

## PLEASANT LAKE UNION.

List of new members for this year: Mrs. Ortesie Gilbert, Mrs. Lizzie Fegley, Mrs. Minnie Robertson, Mrs. Hannah Gilbert, Mrs. Estella Fisk, Mrs. Sarah Lacy, Mrs. Carrie Huffman, Mrs. Susie Long, Mrs. Emma Mountz, Miss Stella Fisk, Miss Lillie Fisk, Miss Clara Fisk, Miss Edith Lacy, Miss Nora Gilmore. Honorary members—Rev. S. L. Roberts, Mr. L. I. Maston, Mr. J. O. Matson.

## STEUBEN COUNTY.

President Mrs. Willinar, who has been a member of the W. C. T. U. two and one-half years, has proven herself a general in ability. She is not only capable of planning work, but has the force to push to completion her plans. Through her effort we have been able to have Mrs. Mattie Cammack, our State Organizer, in our county nearly two weeks. She first came to Ashley August 8th. She lectured one evening, attended a reception given her by the ladies and spoke at a Mothers' Meeting. Only those who have heard her helpful words to mothers can know the inspiration. She gives mothers to be all God intended them to be, true, helpful mothers in the largest sense of the word. She spent two days at Hudson, attended a temperance entertainment, lectured one evening, held a day meeting and organized a society with twelve members, five women and seven girls. She then went to Fremont, where she spoke two evenings and held a day meeting. She spoke at Nevad Mills Sunday afternoon and at Ray Monday afternoon and evening. Tuesday, the 15th, she went to Hamilton, where she conducted four meetings and organized a contest class. She went to Pleasant Lake (Mrs. Willinar's home) the 18th to finish her work. The local W. C. T. U. gave her a reception at the Baptist church, serving light refreshments to all in attendance. The young people furnished good music and Mrs. Cammack gave one of her sparkling half-hour talks. Friday, the 19th, there was a picnic in the Lake Wood Park, a beautiful grove of oaks on the banks of the lake. There were a number of delegates from the different Unions of the county. After a bountiful basket dinner and an hour of social talk, the President called the meeting to order. Our local Union is blessed with a number of young married women and girls who are good singers. Their fresh, young voices opened the program and furnished the music. Mrs. Willinar led in the devotional. Miss Clara Fisk rendered a fine solo, and also gave an excellent recitation, "Our Babies," in her expressive manner. Mrs. Cammack gave us a fine address, taking for her subject the parable of the Good Samaritan. Judging from the excellent attention paid her, we believe good seed was sown that will bring forth, we hope, an hundred fold at the harvest. After singing "God be with you till we meet again," we went to our homes, greatly encouraged to push on the work of the W. C. T. U.

LAKE COUNTY holds its convention at Hobart, September 15th and 16th.



## DEPARTMENT PLAN PROGRAM No. 4.

15 Minutes Song Service.

Scripture Lesson—94th Psalm, with comments.

Prayer Service.

Recitations—"Not Fit to be Kissed," No. 3 W. C. T. U. book, by a little girl. "The Prohibition News-boy," No. 3 W. C. T. U. book, by a little boy.

10 Minute Paper on the L. T. L. Branch. Subject—"Are We Faithful to the Best Interests of Our Children?"

10 Minute Paper on the Y Branch. Subject—"Will Our Daughters Take Our Places?" Discussion. Distribute National Leaflets Nos. 102 and 205.

Collection. Doxology. Benediction.

## HOAGLAND.

Our Union is not very large, but what workers we have are very persevering. During the month of June the Rev. Johnson, of Fort Wayne, gave us a splendid lecture. Also the evening of July 25th the "Boy Orator of Indiana," Rev. Rockwood, delivered an address. We hope the seed sown at these meetings may be the means of converting many for the temperance work. We celebrated Mother Wallace Day on August 3d. Most of the time was spent in reading the Bible references, which illustrated her life and character, and in prayer and praise. A most enjoyable time was had and we were inspired to do better work in the future. We intend to have a patriotic entertainment and social in the near future. Yours in W. C. T. U. work,

BELLE GRESLEY.

## ITEMS OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE.

Recommend (by the Convention at Logansport) for the relief of the Local Committee wherever our annual convention is entertained. We need a convention fund, therefore

*Resolved*, That each local Union be asked annually during the fourth quarter of the year to give fifty cents for a convention fund, money to be sent to the State Treasurer to be applied on the deficit. Any surplus must remain in the treasury for future conventions.

To be applied on the deficit refers to any deficit the local committee may have for convention expenses. This is apparent, for the action was taken for the relief of the local committee.

In some unaccountable way Wolcott failed to get its credit and Chalmers received more than its share. Wolcott reorganized and has a fine Union of twelve members and three honorary, getting one new member at its first meeting. President, Mrs. O. Wilson; Secretary, Mrs. Nellie T. Mershan; Treasurer, Mrs. Rachel Geigar.

NEW ALBANY, through the efforts of the W. C. T. U., has a curfew law.

CLINTON COUNTY will hold its annual convention the latter part of September at Jefferson.

FRANKFORT UNION has called the State Secretary Y Branch to organize a Y branch for their Union.

FRANKFORT UNION has an L. T. L. nine years old. They spent July 21st in the woods in commemoration of Miss Anna Gordon's birthday. They made an imposing appearance on our streets with the carriages decorated with the national colors and the children singing "Saloons, saloons must go." Three of our L. T. L. girls wear the white ribbon.

FRANKFORT UNION is circulating a petition to present the managers of the County Fair, asking that all intoxicating liquors and immoral shows be prohibited from the grounds.

FRANKFORT UNION is planning to hold a Suffrage Contest before the State Convention. They expect to send ten dollars Stirring Campaign Fund and secure a free lecture by one of the State officers. Mrs. Atlanta Bobo is the Contest Superintendent.

## CHAIRMEN OF LOCAL COMMITTEES

For our annual convention at LaFayette: Railroad, Mrs. Ray L. Stinespring, West Side; Entertainment, Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 North 8th street; Reception, Miss Addie Borum, Odell; Sunday Services, Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, 240 South Grant street; Press and Music, Mrs. J. F. Kinsey, corner Union and 20th streets; Finance, Mrs. Alta E. W. Latta; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. William Levering, corner 8th and Union streets; Bus Lines, Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 North 8th street; Decoration, Miss May Turpie, North 21st street; Courtesies, Mrs. Sarah M. Stevens, West Side.

## CONVENTION BADGES

Will be on sale at LaFayette. They will prove a very desirable souvenir for every delegate. Price 5c.

LUNCH, DINNER AND SUPPER at LaFayette Convention: Dinner, 15 cents; Supper, 10 cents, served in the Convention Church. Delegates can not all be near the church and there are several steep hills in and about the city, but this arrangement will relieve any delegate of long walks and insures prompt attendance, that we may work on program hours.

## BUS LINES.

Bus lines will take you to your homes and return you to the depot for 12½ cents each way, 25 cents round trip. This means you are to ride both ways and not try to save something for the cause by walking one way. You need not fear to reach the city in the night. If you send in your names early you will receive a card with the name of your hostess, and this card shown to the bussman insures you safe conveyance. We trust Unions will elect delegates in good time, sending names to the Chairman of Entertainment Committee.

PARKE COUNTY Convention September 9th. Have a Suffrage Contest, and use home talent.

MADISON COUNTY Convention September 13 and 14; Mrs. McWhirter with them.

CASS COUNTY, 15 and 16, and Mrs. McWhirter engaged.

MISS HADLEY, our Vice-President, is very much occupied with looking after the memorials which are to be placed in the building as per contract, and will not be available for any field work for some time.

MRS. BLAIR has changed her plans, and cannot come into the State before the last week in October. Unions taking Mrs. Blair will be notified in time to advertise.

I have sent to every County President and County Superintendent of jail and prison, blanks, and ask a prompt reply. Answer questions as numbered. It is very important that all work done shall be reported, not only that we may be represented aright, but that we may provoke others to good works. I must have my reports early in September, to make a full report to National Superintendent. God bless you every one in this labor of love, and inspire you with renewed zeal in seeking to save the lost. ELLEN K. DENNY, State Supt. Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners.

## WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

In order to have work done in this department reported at our coming State Convention, and a printed record of the same in our State Minutes, answers to the following questions must be sent me not later than the 20th of this month:

## UNIONS.

1. Give names of colored Unions.
2. Number of paid members. Number of enrolled and honorary members.
3. Number of departmennts taken up. State briefly work done in each.
4. Number of regular Union meetings held.
5. Are colored Unions represented in county executive meetings and on county convention programs?
6. Are officers and members subscribers to the MESSAGE, Union Signal or other temperance papers?

## WORK AMONG CHILDREN.

1. In Sunday Schools.
2. In contests.
3. In temperance recitations and songs.
4. In L. T. L. work, either local, county or State.

## MEETINGS.

1. Number held by Mrs. Thurman or other of our National or State speakers.
2. Mothers' Meetings—number held and interest shown.
3. What effort has been made in your community to have colored people attend and participate in prohibition meetings?

## LITERATURE.

Have you circulated the MESSAGE, Union Signal, W. T. P. A., or Mary Wood Allen publications, or other temperance or purity literature?

MARY E. SIMS,

3346 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. State Superintendent.

## MEMORIAL SERVICES.

We shall hold our usual Memorial Services at the State Convention. If Unions would send the names of their promoted comrades, and the name of some one who would speak in memoriam, we would try to give very limited time to all. Send to the State Corresponding Secretary, 711 E. 11th Street, Indianapolis.

## NATIONAL DELEGATES.

The County having organized the most Unions of any other in the group, will choose the National delegate. And the County the next largest in the group, the alternate. This is a matter that should be canvassed in the County Conventions, that the available woman might be found. One who can represent us and tell the story when she returns.

## COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

If there is one thing necessary for a County President to do it is to be in her place at the Executive Committee meeting at the Convention, October 6, 1 P. M., in the Convention Church, Columbia Avenue and Seventh Street, LaFayette. Women, will you see to it that your County President goes to this meeting? No money ever expended will bring larger returns.

Mrs. Sarah Curtiss, 240 South Grant Street, is Chairman of Committee on Resolutions for 1898.

Boone County holds its Convention September 8, at Lebanon. Home workers.

Mrs. Bullock, Elmira, New York, gives a week to Allen County, beginning September 17, at Ft. Wayne; also a week at Loogootee, beginning September 26.

Grant County holds her Convention at Marion, September 21 and 22. Mrs. Bullock and her daughter are expected for the 21st.

## A NEW UNION.

Mrs. Retta Jones writes: "A new Union organized at Frankton, the result of Mother Trish's visit there, and the untiring efforts of Mrs. Luther Lee, of that city. I have been very sick, and at the date for organization I was unable to go; but I am thankful Madison County is full of capable women, and when their President cannot go, they go for her and do the work better than she could. So Madames Wright, Knight and Hoffman, of Lapel, drove to Frankton and organized. I visited the Union last Wednesday and found twelve wide awake women present." The Union was organized with 16 members. Officers of the Union: President, Mrs. McDaniels; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jessie Rummel; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lemon; Treasurer, Mrs. John Pitzer; all of Frankton. The County Convention is at Lapel.

Wells County Convention at Bluffton or Poneto. Date, September 13—one day. Mother Trish will be with them, and that means a stirring time.

## MEDAL DEPARTMENT.

You have all reported if you have returned certificates for every medal sent out. As State Superintendent, I make out my report to the State and the National from these certificates. Do not fail to send every one in.

## NATIONAL SECRETARY.

A letter from the National Secretary to-day says: "Do tell every local Secretary to report *all the work done*; and soon now the blanks will be in your hands; gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost." Dear local Secretaries, what a burden of responsibility lies on your shoulders. Do not fail us; we depend on you.

Mrs. Balch's dates for September: Dearborn County, 9 to 13; Milan, Ripley County, 13; Jennings, 14; Floyd, 15; Clarke, 16; Harrison, 17, 18 and 19; Crawford, 20; Perry, 21; Spencer, 22; Pike, 23.

Marion County has a Gold Medal Contest at her County Convention, September 21, in charge of Mrs. Mary Bogart, Indianapolis, County Superintendent.

Miss Marie Brehm, Illinois, is at Oxford, September 5, on "Christian Citizenship Work." September 10 they hold a Woman's Suffrage Contest. Miss Brehm speaks for the Y's at State Convention, and will be with us on Sunday. She will be given some time Monday to speak on her department—"Woman's Enfranchisement." Miss Brehm is National Superintendent of this work.

## WHITE RIBBON HYMNALS.

It will be safe to bring your Hymnal to the Convention with you, name and address written on the fly leaf; it is the only way we can have a good supply of books that all may sing. If a Union has a number of copies, some delegate could be responsible for their care, and let us have our own songs to sing.

Mrs. Wyeth, of Terre Haute, called at the home of the Secretary, Monday, 29th. Reported some excellent Mothers' meetings at Terre Haute. Spoke in glowing terms of their County President, Mrs. Joyce.

Mrs. Julia Overman, of Marion, paid us a visit recently, and gave Grant County a good record.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## OUR CHIEFTAIN'S ORDERS.

By Mrs. S. L. OBERHOLTZER  
[Set to music by Mr. O. H. Hawley.]

"Beautiful with God," she said,  
Our Chieftain brave and true,  
And passed an open gateway,  
From whence the light shines through.  
Still, from the heights supernal,  
Obscured from mortal view,  
She sends us marching orders,  
"Press on and on and on,  
Till the blights of human homes  
Are all dissolved and gone."

The myths of heaven and distance  
Have faded quite away.  
Our Chieftain gone, though present,  
Is with us day by day,  
Cheering us on to service  
And prompting our delay.  
We hear the marching orders,  
"Press on and on and on,  
Till the blights of human homes  
Are all dissolved and gone."

Drilled by a length of service  
We needs must understand  
Our wise and gracious Chieftain,  
And feel the memory wand  
That strengthens feeble effort,  
And gives us faith to stand  
And heed the marching orders,  
"Press on and on and on,  
Till the blights of human homes  
Are all dissolved and gone."

She sends us marching orders,  
We follow them from choice.  
We hear the marching orders,  
We know the sweet, sweet voice.  
We heed the marching orders,  
Go forward and rejoice.  
We're under marching orders,  
"Press on and on and on,  
Till the blights of human homes  
Are all dissolved and gone."

1905 Tioga St., Philadelphia, Pa.

This song was taken from the *Union Signal*. Our Treasurer suggests that Unions send at once for the music, and let us sing it at our State Convention.—Ed.

National Convention—St. Paul, Minn., November 11-16.

Indiana State Convention—LaFayette, October 7-11.

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Will meet promptly at 1:30 P. M., Thursday, October 6th, in St. Paul M. E. church. Delegates arriving at LaFayette at noon or after, are requested to go directly to the church. All such delegates should be provided with a lunch, so that they need not seek their places of entertainment until after the adjournment of the Executive.  
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER

The names of all delegates to the State Convention should be sent immediately to Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 North 8th street, LaFayette.

## OMNIBUS LINES

Will take delegates to places of entertainment and return to the depot for 25 cents, round trip. Delegates and visitors need not fear reaching LaFayette in the night. The name of each delegate, with her address, should be sent to Chairman of Entertainment Committee immediately.

White Ribboners, urge the Y delegates and young women everywhere to attend a part, if not all, of the State Convention. We need the efforts, interest and

unselfish enthusiasm of the young women in our work. The LaFayette Convention will be large and enthusiastic. Pray earnestly and constantly from this day that its deliberations may be guided by Our Father. Especially would I ask you to pray that each delegate and visitor may receive a fresh baptism of the power of the Holy Ghost.

Let us re-kindle the Crusade fire, and count ourselves a Gideons band, marching on toward the overthrow of the liquor power, determined to march on to victory. When Prohibition is coming, the faint hearted take new courage.

Great victories have been won; there are other battles to be fought, and victory will be to the valiant and brave

Put on the armor of the Lord, and hold high our banner for God and Home and Every Land.

County Presidents' Evening will again be an interesting feature of our State Convention. Every County President will represent her County by telling about the most important work accomplished by her Union during the year.

KNOX COUNTY is systematically at work with the Suffrage petitions. They are putting workers in every voting precinct, and ask for other counties to give their plans. Eighty per cent of the men visited sign the petitions. Mrs. E. Y. Chancellor, Suffrage Superintendent, Vincennes, Knox County.

## HOWARD COUNTY

Just closed one of the best Conventions we have ever had. Mrs. K. L. Stevenson came to us in the place of Mrs. Rounds, whom we expected, but because of ill health could not be present, and I cannot say anything but praise for her. She did excellently. She pleased the people as well, if not better, than anyone we have ever had here. We had Union services at Grace M. E. Church (the largest Church in the city) and it was simply packed. Her sermon on "We Would See Jesus," 12th Chapter of John, was soul inspiring; a sermon of burning words which will never be forgotten by those who heard her.

Her subject at night, "The W. C. T. U. of the Twentieth Century," was par excellent. She held that audience spell-bound. If you want something grand get Katharine Lente Stevenson. Our collections paid our expenses.

I am so glad that she is to be at our State Convention. God grant that we may have a good Convention.

LIDA OUTLAND.

Kokomo, Ind.

The record books for the County and Local Unions are now ready. Will Unions and counties please order at their earliest convenience? These books will be exceedingly helpful to you in keeping a true record of your work. No county can afford to be without a county record book and no Local Union can afford to be without a Local Union record book. The county books are only 35 cents; the local books but 15 cents.

Any Union not having received blanks, notify your County Treasurer at once. Any County Treasurer not having received blanks, notify your State Treasurer, and others will be sent.

If receipts have not been received by those sending money, please notify the State Treasurer and duplicates will be sent. If any Local Union has not received receipts from the County Treasurer, notify her and she will send duplicates.

The County Record Book is only 35 cents. Do not fail to get one.

The Local Record Book but 15 cents. You cannot afford to be without it.

Do not fail to be at the State Convention and secure the prize offered.

Several Unions have reported that they were plan-

ning to hold the Willard reception September 28th. Cannot every Union celebrate Miss Willard's birthday in this way? Try it and report your success through the MESSAGE. Make your article short and to the point.

## RAILROAD RATES TO STATE CONVENTION

Purchase regular first-class ticket to LaFayette, requesting railroad agent to furnish a certificate stating that such ticket has been bought. The certificate, when properly signed by the Secretary at the Convention, will entitle the holder to a ticket for return journey at one-third the first-class limited fare. See ticket agent early and request him to be supplied with certificate.

## LAFAYETTE CONVENTION.

Free entertainment, except noon lunch, will be provided for all delegates attending the State Convention at LaFayette. Special rates have been secured at the following hotels for all visitors: St. Nicholas, two in room, 50 cents each per day; two in room with meals, \$1.50 each per day; single meals, 50 cents. Bramble House, single meals, 35 cents; two in a room with meals, \$1.00 each per day. There are several good restaurants convenient to the Convention Church, where meals can be secured. All members who can attend as visitors are most cordially invited to do so, and will be heartily welcomed.

White Ribboners, urge your ministers and friends to attend our State Convention. When they are better informed upon our work they will be more interested in it.

Mr. John G. Woolley will be present on Friday and deliver one of his powerful addresses on that evening. No charge for admission. All should hear him.

LaFayette asks to have this correction made: Our lunch dinners will be 25 cents; our suppers, 15 cents, in place of dinners, 15 cents and suppers, 10 cents. Please see that your delegates understand this.

Local Unions, please remember to send in your 50 cents Convention fund to our State Treasurer.

Will Unions please remember to send to the State Treasurer the 50 cents asked to help defray Convention expenses at LaFayette?

Generous arrangements are being made by the Entertainment Committee for our State Convention. The names of all delegates and the Unions they represent should be sent immediately to the chairman of this committee, Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 N. 8th street, LaFayette. Be prompt about attending to sending the names. Each Union is entitled to send the President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

The Woman's Temperance Publishing Association of Chicago will again this year send a representative to our Convention with a large stock of publications. Every White Ribboner should have "Do Everything," by Miss Willard.

A life-size picture of that matchless woman, Miss Willard, should hang upon the wall in every temperance home in America. They can be had of Mrs. Whitson, our State Treasurer, for 50 cents each

Miss Mae Turpie, North 21st street, LaFayette, is the chairman of the Committee on Decorations. Be sure and take the banners of your local and county W. C. T. U. and L. T. L.; also handsome flags. These things will create enthusiasm and interest, and will be appreciated by the LaFayette people. To be sure, it will be trouble, but be sure and consider well before you decide not to take them.

## NOTICE.

Every Union is requested to send to Mrs. L. F. McWhirter one or more copies of all programs, invitations, etc., used this year, so they may be used on a display table at the Convention. Send immediately.

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### MARION COUNTY

Held a two day's session; was entertained by Irvington Union, at Irvington, in their Christian Church. Thirteen Unions represented by fifty-two voting delegates. Mrs. Ada B. Leck, County President, re-elected by a strong vote; Mrs. Hattie Moorman, Vice-President. The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, declined to serve another year, and Mrs. May Bogart was chosen as her successor. The former Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ella Disette, and the Treasurer, Mrs. Mary A. Tarlton, were elected for another year's service on the informal ballot.

Marion County W. C. T. U. acknowledging Divine guidance in all its movements, in regular Annual Convention assembled, does hereby resolve that we return our thanks to the pastor and members of this beautiful edifice for its use, and to the citizens and Union of this attractive suburb for the cordial reception tendered us.

*Resolved*, That Marion County recommend to her Unions to follow out as nearly as possible the plan of work for the coming year to be given out by our State as being the best consenses of thought to direct our efforts that we have access to.

*Resolved*, That there is no reason for change of front in any sense, but a general cry of "go forward," hence we stand by our cardinal principles and will push them to final victory.

*Resolved*, That in this hour of our greatest bereavement, we must close our ranks and stand by our World's National and State Executive. Love for our beloved Frances Willard, who fell asleep in Christ, would prompt us to this policy, even if the best good of our cause did not demand it.

*Resolved*, That we magnify Department work, and give our voice in favor of State Superintendents furnishing blanks for the local Unions through the County Superintendents, and that we carefully and prayerfully give ourselves to win the children and the young people.

*Resolved*, That we should give our support and recognition to our Temperance Hospital, and appoint a County Superintendent who will push the work of local Superintendents, that our Unions, as well as the general public, may make the most of this strong force in our reform.

### LIST OF OFFICERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS OF LA PORTE COUNTY.

The following were elected at the annual convention, LaPorte, Sept. 16, 1898:

County President, Mrs. M. Paxton, LaPorte; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. J. Harrison, LaPorte; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. G. Young, Michigan City; Treasurer, Mrs. I. N. Worthley, 605 Buffalo street, Michigan City; Superintendent S. T. L., Mrs. L. Geist, Westville; Superintendent Parliamentary, Mrs. R. Cross, LaPorte; Superintendent Jail and Prison, Mrs. D. J. Baldwin, Michigan City; Superintendent Temperance Literature, Miss Mary Holland, LaPorte; Superintendent Purity, Miss Lizzie Tabor, LaPorte; Superintendent Press, Miss Gennette Paxton, LaPorte; Superintendent Evangelist, Mrs. M. A. Baumgardner, LaPorte; Superintendent Sabbath Observance, Mrs. C. L. Bovard, LaPorte; Superintendent Franchise, Mrs. Lucy Clark, Westville; Superintendent Good Citizenship, Mrs. W. F. Fargher, LaPorte; Superintendent Narcotic, Mrs. Morse, Michigan City;

Superintendent Flower Mission, Mrs. C. Wood, Michigan City; Superintendent County Fair, Mrs. M. Paxton, LaPorte; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. I. N. Worthly, LaPorte.

### ALLEN COUNTY.

The W. C. T. U. of Allen county met in convention at Harlan, Sept. 1, 1898. Three Unions were represented and gave very encouraging reports, giving proof that the W. C. T. U. banner is still being upheld in Allen county. The County President, Mrs. Omo, gave an address on "The Woman's Crusade," showing the progress in the temperance work. Some excellent papers were read and discussed, namely: "The Needs of the Hour," by Mrs. Emily McIntosh. "Why the W. C. T. U. Seeks the Ballot; Upon What Principle It has a Right," by Mrs. Luce. "Twelve Reasons Why the Women Should Vote," by Mrs. Minnich. The following gentlemen spoke: Rev. Zimmerman, Rev. Peters, Rev. Oberholtzer and Dr. Omo. The following officers were re-elected: President, Mrs. Omo, Harlan; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Minnie E. Barkley, Fort Wayne; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. D. Craig, Fort Wayne; Treasurer, Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland. The convention adjourned and all went home feeling refreshed and filled with new energy, determined to work more earnestly the coming year.

IDA J. MCINTOSH,  
County Press Superintendent.

### WELLS COUNTY.

The convention met in Poneto, September 13th. There are three W. C. T. Unions in the county—Bluffton, Ossian and Poneto. Mother Trish was present. The following named officers were elected: President, Miss Cora Hood, Ossian; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Laura O. Chupp, Ossian; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Studebaker, Bluffton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Martha Waring, Bluffton; Delegate-at-Large to State Convention, Mrs. Sarepta Worley, Ossian.

LAURA O. CHUPP,  
County Corresponding Secretary.

### ELKHART COUNTY

Convention opened Wednesday morning, September 14, and lasted throughout Wednesday and Thursday, Rev. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins presiding with her usual devotion through each session. The papers prepared by members of the county are deserving of special mention, for each and every paper read was full of good wholesome thoughts, and showed careful preparation on the subject chosen. We regret that space does not allow the printing in full of all the proceedings at this Convention, for we feel it is one of the best we ever had. Mrs. Luella McWhirter was with us a limited time, and encouraged as well as instructed all who were fortunate enough to hear her address.

Miss Clara Sears, State Superintendent of the Y Branch, instructed her hearers along the line of her work. Thirteen new members were added to the list, making 78 active Y members for Goshen. On hearing this report the audience arose and sang "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," from the fullness of their hearts.

Officers and Superintendents were elected for the coming year as follows: County President, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; Recording Secretary, Miss Cordelia Clark, Bristol; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Laura C. Phoenix, Middlebury; Treasurer, Mrs. Aravilla Vail, Goshen; Superintendent Special Temperance, Mrs. Mary McDonald, Nappanee; Evangelistic, Rev. M. A. Tomkins, Elkhart; Press, Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen; Y Branch, Mrs. Amanda Kauffman, Goshen; Assistant Y Branch, Miss Hattie Culp, Nappanee; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. O. W. Cunningham, Goshen; Literature, Mrs. Kautz, Nappanee; Suffrage, Mrs. R. C. Travers, Elkhart.

We feel we have an able corps of Superintendents that will make a special effort to bring their respective Departments up to the standard they belong, and where every right minded Superintendent should make at least an outward show of the work they have accomplished.

The music enjoyed during the Convention, with one or two exceptions, was furnished by the members of Elkhart County and Y Branch, and was a pleasant feature of the Convention.

The following resolutions were adopted:

We, the representatives of the Elkhart County W. C. T. U. in Convention assembled, realizing that God has led us through twelve years of organized effort to exterminate the liquor traffic with all its evils and so hasten the coming of His Kingdom, whose law is written in our members, all declare the following resolutions:



*Resolved*, That each Union appoint a Superintendent of Scientific Temperance, and we urge special work along that line.

*Resolved*, That we, as members of the different Unions, seek to be informed upon all lines of work, that we may be more effective workers for the Master.

*Resolved*, That we work earnestly in our own local Unions to secure signatures to the Suffrage petitions to be sent to the State Legislature this coming winter, also to agitate the question of Woman's ballot.

*Resolved*, That we are grateful for all courtesies extended to us by the Church, musicians, the press and kind hospitality the visiting delegates received from the ladies of Goshen. MRS. A. P. DAUB.

Press Superintendent.

#### CASS COUNTY.

The Cass County W. C. T. U. met in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Logansport, September 16, 1898, and was opened by Mrs. J. VanBuskirk, who read a scripture lesson and led in prayer. Convention was then called to order by President Mrs. Alice Geary, and proceeded to carry out program as prepared. The program had been carefully prepared and was well carried out. All of the five Unions were represented, and the reports showed an increase in Unions and membership.

Cass County has taken up twelve different departments of work. Reports of the different departments showed they had taken an interest in their work.

An interesting feature of the Convention was the President's address and the paper prepared by Mrs. Phoebe Campbell, of Galveston, "Our Uncle Sam." Five ministers were present, which was very encouraging.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Alice Geary; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Carter; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Gould; Treasurer, Miss Anna Lott. Superintendents—Narcotics, Mrs. Butcher; L. T. L. Mrs. M. J. Paugh; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. E. L. Grable; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. M. J. Stevenson; Press, Mrs. Jennie Rogers; Medal Work, Mrs. Warne; Sabbath School, Mrs. Ault; Parliamentary, Mrs. Mary Washburne; Evangelistic, Mrs. C. P. Wright; Literature, Mrs. Joseph Guthrie; Flower Mission, Mrs. Ida McElheney; Legislative Committee, Rev. McDonald, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Logansport.

All sessions were well attended. Our State President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, was present with her words of cheer and encouragement.

Convention voted to take up Franchise this year. The evening meeting was addressed by the State President, Mrs. McWhirter. MRS. JENNIE ROGERS, Logansport, Ind. County Press Superintendent.

#### CLINTON COUNTY.

Clinton county met at Jefferson with five out of the seven Unions present, and in all sixty voting delegates present. The old officers were all re-elected, and all from one Union. The convention, with three dissenting votes, decided to invite the State Convention to Frankfort next year.

##### PLAN OF WORK.

1. Each Union to organize one Union or L. T. L. this year.
2. Each County Superintendent to visit each Union and help the local workers.
3. Each Union to appoint a sick committee.
4. Push the work of circulating franchise petitions.
5. Defer raising money for Temple.
6. Unions to bear the expenses of their presidents to the county executive meeting.
7. County W. C. T. U. to lend its support and influence to the Prohibition party.
8. Have Purity conference in connection with spring convention. Harriet Steckle, Frances Boyer, committee.

##### SUPERINTENDENTS.

Sunday School, Mrs. Parlman, Frankfort; Literature, Miss Ada Van Sickle, Jefferson; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Miller, Sedalia; Press Work, Mrs. Walters, Rossville; Purity, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Frankfort; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Kilmer, Frankfort; Narcotics, Mrs. Frank Holland, Frankfort; Evangelistic, Mrs. Emma Condon, Frankfort; Railroad Employees, Mrs. Campbell, Frankfort; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Entekin, Frankfort; Flower Mission, Mrs. Frank Hinds, Frankfort; Franchise, Mrs. Barricklow, Frankfort; Fair Work, Mrs. R. C. Clark, Frankfort; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Maud Ohl, Mulberry; Medal Contest, Mrs. Coapstick, Sedalia (I think); Y Secretary, Georgia Wines, Frankfort; L. T. L. Department, Mrs. Emma Sayler, Frankfort.

#### WELLS COUNTY.

Although for a brief period the dark clouds of war hovered over our shores and contagious diseases have swept our land, the unflinching perseverance of the brave Christian women who march under the spotless banner of purity has met with no check, and to-day they stand firm to battle for God and home and every land.

Early in the year 1898 the dark angel of death kissed to sleep the brave, true, sweet woman, Frances E. Willard, and although for a time fear was entertained that the work, which for twenty-four years she had been carrying forward, would be sadly paralyzed, her precious memory has inspired us to do our best to push forward our grand work.

Women whose timidity has prevented them from taking active part in any meeting, have come loyally to the front and enrolled themselves among the loyal workers of the White Ribbon army. Notwithstanding opposition and indifference, the membership of the Wells County W. C. T. U. has been increased by twenty-eight. We now number seventy-six.

Ossian and Poneto have each been benefited by two lectures. The Poneto Union takes the lead in the county in the establishment of a library. The Bluffton Union has done a vast amount of evangelistic, charitable, reformatory and rescue work. It is safe to affirm that never in the history of the White Ribbon work in Wells county has there been more zeal in the cause than at the present writing.

During the past year I have not been altogether idle, although I have not seen the work accomplished during the year that I had hoped would be done. During the year I have written fifty-four letters and two postals. I have written two articles for publication in the *Phalanx*, two for the *MESSAGE*, and two for the *Bluffton Banner*. These articles are independent of my work as Recording Secretary of the Bluffton Union.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
County Corresponding Secretary.

#### FRANKFORT W. C. T. U. RECEPTION.

The beautiful home of J. H. Fear and wife was the scene of one of the prettiest events of the season. It was an informal reception given by the Frankfort W. C. T. U. in honor of Miss Clara Sears, State Secretary of the Young Woman's branch. She presented the necessity of temperance work among young men and women and the practicability of her plans so forcibly that many of the young ladies expressed a willingness to take up the work, and hereafter there will be a Young Woman's Branch of the Frankfort W. C. T. U. After her remarks she was introduced to those present by Miss Georgia Wines, local Y Secretary.

Delicious refreshments were served in the dining-room, dainty Y's of white paper tied with white ribbon being the souvenirs. During the evening Miss Aholtz, of Missouri, favored the guests with instrumental music. Miss Sears, by her true Christian character, won many friends among the young people while in the city.—*Crescent*.

#### FRANKFORT UNION.

The Frankfort Union held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Mills, on North Main Street, Friday evening, with a large number present.

The President, Mrs. Sayler, gave her annual address, which was very inspiring to all present. She urged the members to make the coming year better than the past. Mrs. Walden gave a talk, telling of the good that has been accomplished through the W. C. T. U. here and elsewhere. The main object of the meeting was the annual election of officers. For President, Mrs. R. C. Clark; Vice-President, Mrs. Sayler; Secretary, Mrs. Chloe Fortune; Treasurer, Mrs. Walker; Vice-President for the Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Dwyer; for the Methodist Church, Mrs. Stotter; Baptist Church, Mrs. Marley; U. B. Church, Mrs. Reynolds; Christian Church, Mrs. Phillips, were elected.

#### ASHLEY UNION.

President, Mrs. Emma Barger; Recording Secretary, Miss Anna Gardner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alma Shaw; Treasurer, Mrs. Ella Belyea.

Ossian Union closed the year encouragingly. A medal contest resulted in a collection of \$11.00; Miss Myrtle Cook carried off the medal. Miss Elsie Fields won second prize. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, Miss Cora

Hood; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Laura O. Chup; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Krevson; Treasurer, Mrs. Serepta Worley. L. O. CHUPP,  
Corresponding Secretary.

#### PARKE COUNTY.

The program for the Parke County W. C. T. U. annual convention, held at Bloomingdale, Sept. 9th, was well carried out. Some of the reports especially indicated care and skill in their preparation, as well as good work done. The addresses, papers, etc., by Rev. Sallie M. Woodard, Miss Mary Cox, Rev. L. B. Woodard and Mrs. Emma Coleman were of a character to do credit to any occasion, and called forth an animated discussion. A somewhat novel feature was to have one of our brothers discuss the duty of woman in the temperance work. This was well done by Brother Woodard, and allowed our members to pleasantly retaliate in the discussion by saying, "You have pointed out our duties, now listen to a recital of your own, etc."

The following officers were elected: Miss Ida Cox, Coloma, President; Mrs. Jennie H. Newlin, Bloomingdale, Vice-President; Mrs. Lou M. Spray, Bloomingdale, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Dora Woodard, Coloma, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Lou M. Spray, Bloomingdale, Treasurer.

A Franchise Committee was appointed to continue the petition work begun at our Fourth of July meeting. The suffrage contest in the evening, conducted by Miss Mary Hadley, was a pleasant affair—good music and an interesting class of seven girls. Miss Jessie Thomas won the medal and Miss Pearl Tow a year's subscription to the *MESSAGE*. Net proceeds go to our Industrial School. It is planned to have the contest work continue as a part of our suffrage campaign. REPORTER.

#### ADDRESS BY MRS. McWHIRTER.

Mrs. Luella McWhirter, State President of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, gave an excellent address in the W. C. T. U. rooms yesterday afternoon, which was well attended. Mrs. McWhirter is the possessor of a lovely Christian character, and is a true womanly woman in every sense of the word. Realizing herself the great responsibility that each individual is under to God and humanity, she sought by her earnest words to give her listeners a higher view of life. Especially interesting were her words to mothers. Mrs. McWhirter is the mother of two daughters and understands fully the needs of childhood. We wish all the mothers of this city could have heard her.—*La-Porte Herald*.

#### LIST OF NEW MEMBERS.

LaPorte, Mrs. Fannie DeGanno, Mrs. Fields, Mrs. Dora Benton, Mrs. E. R. Hart, Mrs. F. Ketcham, Mrs. Evelyn Churchill Kollock, Mrs. J. B. Closser, Mrs. Matilda Chase Wilson, Mrs. Mary Frances Fargher, Mrs. R. Cross, Mrs. Belle Biegie, Mrs. Dora Banta. Terre Haute, West Side, Mrs. Emma Bellenger. Bristol, Mrs. Mattie Sudborough, Miss Mary Garman, Mrs. Prudence Merritt, Mrs. Louise Corpe.

Mrs. Laura Ross, Mrs. Pearl Neligh, Mrs. Mary Rothrock, Mrs. Gant, Mrs. Everroad, Mrs. Oscar Bowman, and Miss Carrie Stout.

Will the Union to which these belong please give their name?—Ed.

#### W. C. T. U. DAY AT OMAHA.

The Trans-Mississippi W. C. T. U. Day occurs in connection with the Exposition at Omaha, Oct. 28th. The National Council of Women will occupy the three days previous to this date, and some of the most notable women in the country will be in attendance. The program for Temperance Day will include the names of Mrs. Beauchamp, the Recording Secretary of the National W. C. T. U.; Mrs. Louise S. Rounds, State President of Illinois; Mrs. Mary Wood Allen, of Ann Arbor, and Mrs. Matilda Carse, of Chicago. Railroads will offer not only the usual Exposition rates, but better ones at that time, as it will be the last week of the great fair, and attractions of various kinds will be crowded into each day. FRANCES M. FORD,  
Secretary Bureau of Education.

LOGOOTE UNION holds a Chrysanthemum show in November, for the purpose of sending the *School Physiology Journal* to every teacher in the county. (What is to hinder other counties from acting on this wonderfully wise example?—Ed.)

MRS. BULLOCK can give Indiana a few dates immediately after our State Convention. Write the Corresponding Secretary for dates at once.



## GENERAL DEPARTMENT WORK.

Everybody has a department in this life assigned to them, and our mission is to awaken them to the understanding and responsibility of it.

The individual who does not respond by this awakening is either indifferent or malicious; either state is to be deplored in this age of enlightenment.

In trying to choose from among our many departments one that we think would accomplish the most good, we find ourselves at a loss which one to select, and thinking them over carefully, we learn we cannot afford to slight any one of them. What prompts us to do the work? is often asked. Love! Unselfish love, untiring love for humanity.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, without departments, would be like a river without tributaries. It is through them the Union increases or diminishes, according to the energy and push brought to bear on them. Therefore our greatest need is unfaltering Superintendents for these departments. They are essential to the life of the Union.

It requires great tact for a Superintendent to interest indifferent persons in some of our departments, and be able to present her way of thinking; for there is always two sides to everything, and everybody thinks their side is the best.

There are many workers who will never be much known on this side of eternity, but our cause will go onward and upward, and great will be our reward in heaven.

We have no time for vacations during the heated term of the year, for the devil, like a roaring lion, seeks souls in summer as well as in winter. He has so many ways to ply his cunning that we must constantly "Watch and Pray." Cordially yours,

Mrs. A. P. DAUB.

611 South Main Street.

[Ed.—This is one of the six papers of note, and it would have a place on our State program except for the fact that it came after the time limit had expired.]

## OFFICIAL CALL FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The twenty-fifth annual Convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the People's Church, St. Paul, Minn., November 11 to 16, 1898.

The basis of representation to this Convention is as follows: The General Officers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, together with the four General Officers of each State and the State Y Secretaries, the Boards of National Superintendents, Organizers, Evangelists, Chairmen of Standing Committees, Presidents of affiliated interests, editors and publishers of the official organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and editors of State W. C. T. U. papers, are ex-officio members of the Convention. In addition there may be one delegate-at-large from each State and Territorial Union and one additional delegate for each five hundred paid-up members, also one delegate for each fifty dollars which shall have been paid into the National Treasury from the Loyal Temperance Legion.

It is earnestly hoped that this year the attendance may be full and representative. Since the number of delegates elected depends so largely upon the promptness with which the dues shall be paid and the proportionate amount forwarded to the National Treasurer, it is urged upon each member of every local Union to see to it that she be not in arrears and also upon each County, District and State officer to urge promptness, not upon the local Union alone, but upon their respective treasurers in forwarding the dues.

The sending out of this official call is a sadder event this year than ever before. Since the clans were summoned last year we have passed through the deep waters of a sorrow such as from the very nature of her whom we mourn could have come to but few organizations. She whom we so loved and who for so many years so grandly led our hosts has passed beyond our sight. For a season we are separated. Our faith claims that she has not left the work nor lost interest in it, and yet the human heart will claim the visible presence of the loved one; we cannot fail to "sigh for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still." Therefore, our coming together at St. Paul will be fraught with far more of pain than of gladness, and yet, because the work still remains, because of our very love for her, let us come together in the strength of numbers, and above all in the strength of our Lord, our Leader, to do the work for which she gave her life and to which she calls us with a renewed consecration.

This will not be alone a Memorial Convention. It

will be the twenty-fifth Convention since the Crusade. The sacred memories of our God-inspired origin will be about us even more closely than in former years. We shall hope that as many as possible of that brave band of heroic women who counted not life dear unto themselves so that they might save the home, will be with us at St. Paul. There will be, we trust, a Crusade atmosphere about us through all those days, hallowing our grief, strengthening our faith, uplifting our spirits, leading us as our Crusade mothers were led, to "give to the winds our fears," to go forward to a new quarter of a century of conflict, of devotion to great principles and of faith in a God of righteousness. There will be sore perplexities before us in this Convention. A record of twenty-five years makes that inevitable. Let us believe that the God who called us into being has an open door through all difficulties if only we keep our eyes fixed singly upon Him and follow where He leads.

Dear sisters, the motto which your General Officers chose at the beginning of the year has come to mean more and more to us as the months have gone by—"I will trust and not be afraid." The God of our Crusade mothers is our God to-day. Surely He has other, greater work remaining for us if but we will measure up to that work. Shall we not each one in the secret of her own heart resolve that whatever one individual can contribute of consecration, of love, of the charity that thinketh no evil, of the hope that never faileth, that believeth all things and endures as "seeing Him who is invisible," that much we will give to swell the sum total of power which shall make this Convention the most notable in our history, even while the saddest, and that shall send us forth chastened yet triumphant, to a new year of work for God and Home and Native Land?

Signed, on behalf of the National W. C. T. U.

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,

Acting President.

KATHARINE LENTE STEVENSON,

Corresponding Secretary.

## FIELD NOTES.

CARL CAMMACK teaches in the Marion Central Loyal Temperance Legion.

Mrs. DR. VOTAW, of Marion, has made a medley of temperance pictures of temperance people and historic places in the temperance march. This picture made a part of the decoration at the Grant county convention, and was much admired.

Mrs. M. A. TOMPKINS, Mrs. Alice Geary, Mrs. Dr. Bland, of Boston, and Mrs. Stafford, of LaFayette, were in attendance at the Grant county convention.

SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND PAGES of literature has been distributed in Grant county in the past year.

JOHNSON COUNTY is preparing for a chrysanthemum show and will serve lunch. One loyal country member has donated ten turkeys.

A LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION has been organized at Hadley Industrial School.

Mrs. CAMMACK's latest scientific temperance lecture is, "The Full Stature of a Perfect Man," and is well spoken of.

THE PARENTS show considerable attention to scientific temperance at Auburn, and many attended the County Institute.

IN ONE of our scientific temperance meetings a woman came forward at the close and said: "We ought to have a Union here and pledge the boys against alcohol and tobacco." Another woman standing near said: "It won't do any good; they will use it anyway." We were reminded of the Scripture: "And one said, an angel spake unto him, but others said, it thundered."

THE SUPERINTENDENT of Public Instruction of Grant county has invited the W. C. T. U. to a place on the program of the Township Institute this year, to represent the scientific temperance phase of education. They accept gladly.

ONE OF THE CITY SCHOOLS in Syracuse, N. Y., has been named the Frances E. Willard. A very fine etching of Miss Willard has been procured, framed in carved oak and will be presented to the school by the Willard Union of that city.

LOGANSPOUT WEST SIDE officers for this year are: President, Mrs. Anna Warne; Vice-President, Mrs. Austin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. J. Paugh; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Carter; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred. McDermott.

WE SHALL have occasion to use some suffrage matter about the middle of October. Any one having anything on this subject that will help on in our campaign, send it to the Corresponding Secretary—short articles, short papers, incidents, statistics, etc.

ELKHART CENTRAL meets every two weeks. Number of regular and special meetings, thirty; average attendance ten—a gain of three. Held four Mother's Meetings, with an average attendance of twelve—a gain of five over last year. Eleven Gospel Temperance meetings in the Churches, one of this number was held on the Island, and one was a memorial service for Miss Willard. Have given out 6,275 pages of literature. Sent in two clubs to the MESSAGE—39 copies in all. Five Union Signals taken. Red Letter days observed. August 3 a picnic at Island Park. One lecture by Miss Anna Shaw. State Normal Institute in charge of Rev. Mattie O. Cammack. Two contests, one by married ladies and one by our young people. Had our booth on the Fair grounds for a week. Carried on eight departments of work; 43 members enrolled, 37 paid dues, 12 honoraries. Lost three members by death, three by removal and two non-payment of dues. Mrs. Cammack gave us a second lecture.

Mrs. R. C. TRAVIS.

## A MESSAGE FROM "THE MESSAGE."

At the close of each W. C. T. U. Convention year our State paper, the MESSAGE, silently bears a message to all of our membership, whether subscribers or not. Let us help it to utterance and give thoughtful audience to the tidings it bears.

During the year it is thrown out on its own responsibility, with orders to do its work, serve the cause, and not to incur a debt to the State. If it has not served the cause faithfully and acceptably up to the measure of its ability in bearing the messages of the workers, it must be corrected.

If it has a little surplus of funds in its treasury, it may cheerfully turn this over to the State.

If it has incurred a debt, those who have been its guardians, and borne its burdens, must pay it.

During the year it is virtually an orphan, with the State Central Committee or State officers for its guardians, and dependent upon the membership who called it into being, and whom it strives to serve for support.

But at the close of each year it comes back to its own; lays its defeats or victories at the feet of its parentage; surrenders its commission or assumes the air of a young Princess and claims its just heritage.

What heritage did the State propose for it? A subscription list of 3,000 or more, or one equal to our membership. Has it received this? In some local Unions it has, but in a few Unions 50 per cent of the membership do not take it. Has it kept good faith with the State as to the amount and character of its contents?

As it compares its first issue—the typical one—with its last one of unleaded type, in answer to this question, and refers to many similar issues with supplements, it feels a sense of integrity and honor, and that thrill of happiness that comes of the "full measure pressed down and running over."

Can it continue its periodical visits and helpful messages to our members without debt with its present subscription list?

It can by the continued sacrifice of a few. But God will not bless the many in permitting this undue sacrifice which a little conscience, thought and effort on the part of each member would so easily remove.

The MESSAGE builded better than it knew when it set forth the conditions on which it might be continuously published, and said in its first issue of December, 1896: "If the paper is taken by our members generally, it will be a happy, cheerful, independent little message, borne about on its own wings, wafting good tidings to all."

Will our membership yet be entirely true to their part of the compact with the MESSAGE, and ready to say, Here am I. Send me to do my whole duty in this matter?

[The editors of the MESSAGE are in accord with the foregoing correspondence, and agree that the paper is not an orphan at the State Convention, but comes home to its Convention Mother with the plea, "I have done my best, and now what is the pleasure of the Convention concerning me for another year?"

Supposing the State will make its usual encouraging answer, let it back this encouragement up with something practical. Let those whose subscriptions expire now or will soon, come to the Convention prepared to renew, and also bring with them the subscription of their local Unions at club rates.

If they subscribed in December or later, this timely renewal will not shorten their yearly subscription, but will form a basis for the success of our work the coming year.]



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by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## ON TO ST. PAUL.

### HURRAH FOR INDIANA.

Gained 1,000 paid members since September 25, 1897. This entitles her to a place on State Benefit Night at St. Paul, and will probably secure the Banner offered by Miss Frances Willard to the State making the greatest increase in membership.

The Indiana delegation and visitors will leave INDIANAPOLIS via the BIG FOUR ROUTE, at 11:45 A. M., November 10; arrive at Chicago at 5:30 P. M. Leave Chicago at 6:30 P. M. via CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL route. Arrive at St. Paul 7:30 A. M., November 11.

### THE OFFICIAL ROUTE FOR

..Indiana Delegates and Visitors..

### WILL BE VIA THE BIG FOUR AND THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL.

An excursion rate of one-and-one-third fare for the round trip will be granted. Delegates and others attending the Convention should purchase one-way through tickets to St. Paul. The agent selling the ticket will furnish a receipt certificate, which, when signed at the Convention, will secure a return ticket from St. Paul for one-third regular fare.

The Fare for the Round Trip, from Indianapolis, upon the certificate plan, will be just \$22.00.

The regular fare from Chicago to St. Paul is \$11.50. The fare for the round trip from Chicago to St. Paul, upon the certificate plan, will be \$15.35.

### BIG FOUR ROUTE.

Trains leave Indianapolis for Chicago, 7:10 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 4:15 P. M.  
Trains leave Chicago for Indianapolis, 9:00 A. M., 1:00 P. M., 8:30 P. M.

### Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Route.

Trains leave Chicago for St. Paul, 6:30 P. M., 10:15 P. M., 8:30 P. M.  
Trains leave St. Paul for Chicago, 8:10 P. M., 2:55 P. M., 6:55 P. M., 8:15 A. M.

We consider it a great advantage to arrive in St. Paul early in the morning, so that delegates may go to places of entertainment and visitors secure hotel accommodations and return to the People's Church in time for the opening of the Convention.

Returning, our Indiana people may leave St. Paul at 8:15 A. M. in order to have a daylight ride down the Mississippi and across the State of Wisconsin.

All persons interested in the W. C. T. U. who can possibly attend the St. Paul Convention, are urged to do so. At no time in the past has Indiana been entitled to so great a part in a National Convention.

We want all of our counties represented among the visitors and hope that our White Ribboners will make a special effort to go and to urge friends to go. We have selected the CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL ROUTE from Chicago to St. Paul, which passes through the principal cities.

Its Dining Car Service is strictly first-class. The route is the best patronized of any of the lines in the Northwest, passing through the principal cities of Wisconsin and Minnesota, including Milwaukee, La Crosse and Winona, traversing the celebrated Lake Region of Wisconsin and passing through 150 miles of the most picturesque scenery of the Mississippi Valley.

Those near Indianapolis will enjoy going through with the party, I am sure. All who can not meet us at Indianapolis, we will expect to meet in the CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL DEPOT, at Chicago, where all our people will be given an Indiana badge. Meet us there.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

### TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE W. C. T. U. OF INDIANA, HELD AT LA- FAYETTE, OCTOBER 7-11, 1898.

If any State organization has cause for thanksgiving, that one is the Indiana W. C. T. U.

The convention at LaFayette was by far the largest, best and most enthusiastic annual meeting that has ever been held in our State. There were 272 voting delegates, over one hundred more than attended the convention a year ago.

The spirit of harmony and sisterly love was everywhere apparent, and a deep spirituality seemed to pervade the very atmosphere. The magnificent new St. Paul's M. E. Church was thrown wide open freely and without reserve. Nothing was left undone by the pastor, Dr. T. J. Bassett, and the Board of Trustees that could add in any way to the comfort and convenience of delegates and visitors.

We were publicly welcomed by representatives of the Commercial Club, the Medical and Ministerial Associations. The ministers did not leave it all to their representative, for many of them attended the convention and personally extended a cordial welcome. The President and other members of the Board of Trustees of the convention church also, from the platform, gave cheery welcoming words.

We were treated in the kindest manner by the press of the city. It had nothing but good words for us and the cause we represented. All the proceedings were fully and accurately reported in the daily papers, and criticism was apparently out of order.

The exceptionally fine music was an important feature of the convention. Mr. D. E. Studebaker, of Bluffton, directed the music for the day sessions, while that of the evenings and the Sunday mass meeting was in charge of Prof. J. F. Kinsey, prohibition candidate for treasurer on the State ticket.

The State is now free from debt and has nearly \$300 to begin work with this year. The remaining indebtedness of \$400 on the Hadley Industrial School was raised by subscription in a surprisingly short time. With our army of new recruits, together with the renewed courage and activity among the older members and with no debt to hold us back, what may we not accomplish this year?

The suffrage petition and campaign work is to be persistently and systematically pushed. More than seven hundred new members have been gained for Indiana this year.

Mrs. McWhirter had given out the word that she could not serve as President another year. There was much rejoicing among the women when she finally yielded to their earnest solicitations and consented to allow her name to be used. She was re-elected by a splendid majority, as were also all the other officers. Miss Clara Sears was again elected as Y Secretary, and Mrs. A. R. Gordon as Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion. A few changes were made in the list of Superintendents and a new department added, that of Purity in Literature and Art.

The Superintendents' reports showed that there is marked advancement in all lines of the work. An interesting feature of the report given by the Superintendent of Sunday school work, was the display of a red, white and blue pledge card chain, several hundred feet in length.

An increase of more than 800 columns published in the newspapers as reported for the year, is noted in the press department.

The medal contest department has earned several hundred dollars for the work this year. Carl Rutter, of Terre Haute, received a diploma from the medal department, awarded to those that have won all the medals from the silver to the diamond. When introduced Mr. Rutter delivered an original address which was most enthusiastically received. How proud and happy his mother will be when she receives the letter of congratulation and appreciation which the Secretary of the convention was ordered to send her.

There were two "convention babies." They were Frances Alberta Boyer, of Frankfort, Marcia Moorman, of Indianapolis. Each one was carried to the platform and taken in the arms of our President, who with tender, loving words bestowed upon her the White Ribbon badge. The yellow ribbon was presented by Mrs. Gougar. One of the babies is a paid-up member of the W. C. T. U. The great mother-heart of the convention went out to these little ones so early in life dedicated to the work for God and Home and Humanity. (All children in W. C. T. U. homes ought to be.—Ed.)

Master James B. Gipe, President of the Indiana L. T. L., was presented to the convention, and spoke with earnestness and enthusiasm in regard to the needs of the work.

The evening meetings were full of intense interest.

Mr. John G. Woolley was at his best, and he was greeted by a most magnificent audience of 2,300 people. He held the attention of his hearers to the end, the enthusiasm frequently bursting forth in sounds of applause.

The Sunday mass meeting was a great success, and every seat in the church was filled. Mrs. Helen Bullock, of New York, spoke on "Methods of Work," Mrs. Gougar told of the Prohibition victory in Canada, and Miss Marie Brehm, of Illinois, in a convincing manner, explained why women were entitled to vote. Mr. Harry Maxwell, D. L. Moody's associate, the evangelist and singer, spoke of his experiences in the army camps where he has spent much time.

I wish all the women could have heard him tell of what he has seen of the great work of our organization among the soldiers and of the grateful appreciation with which the comfort bags, housewives' literature and other things were received by them.

One of the LaFayette dailies made special note of the large number of girls and young women that were seen in the convention, but I was particularly impressed by the unusually large number of young men who attended the evening and Sunday services.

A pleasant thing to remember was the reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Gougar to the delegates and visitors, at their elegant new home. It was estimated that there were 350 that accepted the invitation.

Our State convention has passed into history, and a new year of work opens before us. Let us go forward with renewed courage and "press on and on and on."

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

### INDIANA HAS GAINED 1,000 MEMBERS— HURRAH FOR INDIANA!!!

Indiana has won and all honor to the women of the Local Unions.

Send your representative to St. Paul to help receive the prize and bring home the enthusiasm of the Convention. Let every Union send one, if possible. We must make a gain of 1,500 this year. We will then have reached the highest point in membership that Indiana ever reached. We can easily reach this number if every Local Union will begin at once. Do not say, "Our Union is small and we can do but little." "In Union there is strength." "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there will I be in the midst." If the W. C. T. U. work is God's work, then he will help us make the work what it should be if we do our part. He has most wonderfully blessed the work during the past year. He is ready and willing to continue His blessings.

Of the 266 Unions that paid dues last year, 168 gained in membership. Of the 76 counties that paid dues, 50 gained in membership. The four counties having the greatest membership are: Marion, 301; Grant, 236; Madison, 225, and Elkhart, 199. The four counties making the greatest gain are: Madison, 147; Wabash, 108; Elkhart, 81, and Benton, 81. The counties that have either doubled or more than doubled their membership during the year are: Allen, Benton, Dearborn, Madison, Parke, Randolph, Vigo, and Wabash. The Unions that have either doubled or more than doubled their membership are: Petersburg, Talbot, Frankfort, Willard, Moores Hill, Dillsboro, Eaton, Goshen Y, Nappanee, Middlebury, Bristol, Covington, Princeton, Sheridan, Plainfield, Pennville, Anderson Y, Wallace, Hindoostan, Morgantown, Goodland, Albion, Coloma, Bloomingdale, Milroy, Ray, Brownsville, Terre Haute W. Side, Wabash, North Manchester, Wolcott and South Whitley. Many other counties and Unions have gained, but space will not admit of the names being given.

When the State Minutes have been received by you, you will see that every debt and bill has been paid, leaving a balance in the treasury of \$293.14. From this fund the State Superintendents have already received their appropriations in full. This, I believe, has never been done before so early in the year. This, my dear Sisters, has been made possible by your untiring efforts. Allow me to congratulate you upon your success. Also allow me to extend to you my warmest thanks for the ready and generous response to the card sent out for the 130 additional members necessary to give us a part in Benefit night at the National. Compare the present gain of 1,000 with the number gained before the call was made, and you will say with me that "nothing is impossible for Indiana." For your help, your prayers, your loyalty and loving kindness to me in the past, and for your confidence as shown by again calling me to this place, I thank you. As space in this issue is at a premium the regular quarterly report will not appear until next issue.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

November 27, use Red, White and Blue Cards for National S. S. Pledge Chain. Secure of Mrs. S. B. Irvine, St. Paul, Minn.





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## Superintendents of Departments

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## FRANCHISE PLAN OF WORK UNTIL DECEMBER 15, 1898.

My great desire and prayer to you, sister workers in this department, is for concerted action in circulating the suffrage petitions asking that the word male be stricken from the Constitution of the State of Indiana. Do not fail to secure the name of every man and woman that will sign it. We must push the work to the utmost for the coming six weeks. I have already a few petitions sent in. One long roll with only one column of names. Dear Sisters, do please have the names secured and placed below the petitions in this manner:

## FORM OF PETITION.

No. 1. To the senate of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899.

No. 2. To the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Indiana, 1899.

We, the undersigned citizens of the.....County, in the State of Indiana, pray the proposal and passage by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, at its session in the year 1899, of an amendment of section 2, article 11, of the constitution of the State of Indiana, striking out the word male therein.

Men.

Women.

Copy this petition form twice, address one to the Senate and the other to the House of Representatives. Ask each person to sign both. These are two distinct bodies and a petition is needed for each.

Be sure and prepare two petitions, one for the House of Representatives, one for the Senate, and have each name signed to both petitions. When filled, or when you have secured all the names you can, send both petitions to me with the name of the superintendent, the town and county in which the signers live. I must prepare them for presentation to the Legislature. Do please have them in by the 15th of December. I have the correct form of petition printed and will send them to those whose names I have, and to all who will apply to me for them. You can paste them above the names you have if your petition is incorrect. We need money for this winter's legislative work at Indianapolis. How many counties will donate money for the Franchise Campaign? How many local Unions will donate to the Campaign? How many individuals will donate to the Suffrage Legislature Campaign? Please send all donations to Mrs. A. T. Whitson, State Treasurer, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

M. A. TOMPKINS,

State Superintendent of Franchise.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Plan of work outlined for 1898-9: 1. To have a Superintendent appointed in each county who shall report the work of this Department to the State Superintendent, whose duty it shall be to visit County Institutes and Associations. Confer with the County Superintendent of schools, and give a general supervision of the work in the county, together with such advice and assistance as teachers, Unions and Local Superintendents may require. She will need special literature, copies of the Scientific Temperance Law, copies of Indorsed Text Books, etc., all of which should be provided at the expense of her county.

She should obtain reports of colleges or normal schools indirectly affected by the law, and especially the public institutions, such as the State University, State Normal School, Homes, Institutes and Asylums, if any exist in her county.

She shall furnish such items to the press as she shall deem of special interest, and make arrangements if possible, for at least one lecture on the subject before the teachers of the county and its discussion in the Annual Institute.

2 A Local Superintendent in every Union and an assistant in every township where there is no Union, who shall report to her County Superintendent.

Whose duty it shall be to distribute literature, visit schools and Township Institutes, take subscriptions for the *School Physiology Journal*, request leaders of institutes to appoint discussions on the subject, appoint committees from Unions to visit schools, furnish notices for the local press, and endeavor to have at least one public lecture on the subject, and a lecture in every

school where time will be given for it. The school-room lectures may be given by local physicians, well informed members of the Union, or the Local or County Superintendents.

3. For the Unions: Entertain teachers socially, offer prizes for essays on Scientific Temperance subjects, provide Temperance Songs and Recitations to be used in the public schools when called for.

Visit your schools in a body or by committee, when the subject is discussed. Encourage the work and your Superintendent.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE LITERATURE

Scientific Temperance Law cards, two cents each. Scientific Temperance Law leaflets, ten cents per dozen. List of Endorsed books and address of publishers, leaflet, ten cents per dozen. Package Department Literature, ten cents. Order of Mrs. Adah W. White, Oxford.

## PUBLICATIONS.

*School Physiology Journal*, monthly for teachers. Price fifty cents, club rates thirty-five cents. Scientific Temperance Bulletin. Price twenty cents. Alcohol and Hygiene. Price twenty-five cents. Facts about Tobacco. Price ten cents. Notes for Temperance Teachers. Price twenty-five cents. Order of Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass.

## QUESTIONS FOR REPORT AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

1. Name of County.
2. Name of County Superintendent.
3. Number of Local Superintendents or Assistants.
4. Number of teachers in County.
5. Number who use the revised Text Book.
6. Number who use endorsed books for primary work or reference.
8. Total number subscriptions to the *School Physiology Journal*.
9. Number Teachers supplied with Law Cards
10. Number visits to Schools by Superintendents.
11. Number visits to Institutes by Superintendents.
12. Number visits to Schools or Institutes by patrons in the interest of the work.
13. What efforts have been made socially to win the co-operation of teachers.
14. Number County prizes offered.
15. Number local prizes offered.
16. Number public lectures.
17. Number school room lectures.
18. Entertainments given.
19. Literature distributed.
20. Items furnished the press.

Oxford.

ADAH W. WHITE,

State Superintendent.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I am very much encouraged. The outlook for our department is brighter than ever before. The children are to be taught faithfully, thus sayeth the Lord side of the temperance question. November 27th is Universal Temperance Sunday. Let us bend all our energies toward the universal observance of that day. When many people of many faiths and beliefs unite and work systematically much can be accomplished. Send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, St. Paul, Minn., for programs. You have the plan of work which will help you. The Pledge Chain will be continued. I am looking for great things, especially from those of you whom I met at State Convention. Let me know the result of November 27.

ALICE G. GEARY.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.—Mark II: 27.

The necessity for much work in this department is recognized by Christians everywhere, but to us of the W. C. T. U. the need comes with double force, for it is a very important part of our mission to change present conditions so as to make it easier to live a Christian life.

Sabbath desecration is seemingly on the increase, but the line is being drawn and we will not be satisfied until Indiana shall be known far and wide as a State in which the Lord's day is observed as a holy day and not a holiday.

When the women of the W. C. T. U. join forces and work shoulder to shoulder, with Jesus as their leader, they can accomplish what they wish.

Let me urge a complete organization throughout the State for this important work. Every county should have a Superintendent; and let me urge the appointment of a Superintendent for every local Union.

Will the County Superintendents please send me their names and addresses at once, and also give me the names of the local Superintendents, as far as possible, that I may know just who my helpers are?

We want every minister in the State, not only requested, but urged to preach at least one sermon upon this all important subject; and every church, mission and praying body of Christians to have a special season of prayer in behalf of a better observance of the Sabbath day.

Further plans will be given in a later issue of the MESSAGE. Let every one do her best, and God will bless our efforts.

KATIE WERT HOLLER.

557 N. Scott Street, South Bend.

## QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT FUND PLAN—PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER.

We suggest 28th, 29th or 30th, but local Unions decide for themselves, considering local conditions. Open with song service. Use White Ribbon hymnals, pages 33, 106 and 116. Read 106th Psalm. Follow with volunteer prayer service, led by the Chairman of the meeting. Ten minute paper on Narcotics, with

discussion and reading of the Cigarette law, found in 1897 minutes. Ten minute paper on Purity in Literature and Art. Discussion. Collection. Temperance doxology. Benediction. Union seated in a body. Superintendent of Literature distribute leaflets on these Departments, as the audience pass out for home.

## FLOWER MISSION

The county superintendents will please urge the appointment of flower mission superintendents in each local Union in their county and ask them to give their report to you by the first of December so that I can have yours by the fifteenth.

If at any time you have a question about the work, please feel free to write and ask me about it.

The outline below is the one I request you to follow. Trusting that you will all join me in making this year the best year of our flower mission work, I am yours in His name, ANNA LOUISE CARR, Aarderson. Superintendent.

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE FLOWER MISSION.

No. of persons brought to Christ.....  
 " Bouquets and baskets of flowers distributed.....  
 " Text cards used.....  
 " Bibles and testaments given away.....  
 " Signers to pledge.....  
 " Scrap books given to invalids, almshouses, jails and prisons.....  
 " Magazines and books given away.....  
 " Papers and tracts distributed.....  
 " Poor families helped.....  
 " Sick taken driving.....  
 " Visits to sick.....  
 " Half hours spent in reading to the sick.....  
 " Nights spent in caring for the sick.....  
 " Destitute visited.....  
 " Public institutions visited.....  
 " Sent to the hospital or almshouse.....  
 " Flower mission socials.....  
 " Growing plants given to invalids, inmates of hospitals, prisons, etc.....  
 " Garments given to the needy.....  
 " Pounds of groceries given away.....  
 " Glasses of jelly given away.....  
 " Cans of fruit given away.....  
 " Meals given away.....  
 " Floral designs sent to funerals.....  
 " Children's organizations that have assisted in the work of this department.....

## FAIR WORK.

Having been elected superintendent for Fair Work for Indiana, at the last W. C. T. U. State Convention, I urge upon every county superintendent to hold one day's session for gospel temperance and prohibition work. If more days are found convenient, would advise medal contests, which are very instructive and educating to any community. Urge the appointment of a woman on your Agricultural Board, a woman who has a willing mind to work in this holy cause. When I see mothers weeping over sons who have fallen into the habit of drink in our camps from the canteen system I feel it is time for all women to work in this holy cause. I urge all county superintendents and local unions to sow literature of W. C. T. U. principles, especially our state paper *The Message*, *The Union Signal*, *The Young Crusader*, *The Voice* and *The Patriot Phalanx*.

## QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED AT END OF THE YEAR

How many gospel temperance meetings? How many medal contests held? How many pages of literature distributed? Name of each kind. How many conversions at gospel temperance meetings? for there will surely be some. MRS. M. A. L. COLTON, Franklin, Johnson County Ind.

## LITERATURE

Let us make a special effort this year to get every member of our Union to subscribe for the MESSAGE, if they will not get the Union to take it for them. The women must keep in touch with the State officers, and work to a plan. In clubs of twelve, subscription is 25 cents. Persuade your Unions to subscribe for the *Union Signal* and MESSAGE for every minister in your county, also every editor. Only 75 cents. In reply to the cry that comes to me, "How will I raise money for my work?" I have gotten up a program for a social, "Called a W. C. T. U. Conversation Party," which can be secured at the rate of thirty for ten cents, with all directions, by sending to me.

I have a new leaflet which, with a sample of the program, will be sent to every County and Local Superintendent. New Superintendents send in your names at once, so they will go to the right persons. The following is an outline of the report blanks which will be used this year:

1. How many pages of Literature?
2. " " *Union Signals*?
3. " " MESSAGES?
4. Which leaflets do you find are liked best, the one page, or longer ones?
5. What suggestions can you offer that will help the work in your county or Union?
6. How many Department Superintendents have ordered literature from the W. T. P. A. through you?
7. How many ministers supplied with *Union Signals* and MESSAGE?
8. How many editors supplied with *Union Signals* and MESSAGE?
9. At how many public assemblies have you distributed literature?
10. Can you suggest any way to assist the work in the State? New ideas thankfully received.

GEORGIANA MOSER.

Loogootee.



## L. T. L. BRANCH.

STEBEN COUNTY Convention—An unusual degree of interest throughout, notwithstanding the sickness of Mrs. Ellars deprived us of her valuable assistance, direction, and encouragement. Our program was well carried out and the climax of our enthusiasm was reached in the wisdom and repartee of the "Minister's Hour." Good music interspersed the program, which was greatly enhanced by the fine solos given by Mrs. Stacy, of Chicago; Mrs. Dorn, of Angola, and Mrs. Figley, of Fremont. We enjoyed a good time, filled with pleasure and profitable suggestion for our work in years to follow.

MRS. SARAH R. TAYLOR,  
Angola. Recording Secretary.

## YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH.

To the Y Unions of Indiana I extend loving greetings. I rejoice with you in our gain in membership over last year, having twenty-two Unions and Branches this year and only five last. God has said, "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

Our National Y Secretary, Mrs. Ella Boole, says "What pays so well for the investment of time and labor as to arouse young men and women to an interest in the Temperance and Purity work? Hundreds of young women will be better women because of the Y. W. C. T. U." How true are her words. The coming year we want to help hundreds, yea, thousands to be Y's. Pray for us. Open the way for an organization. Send for literature. Work for a paid membership. Please send for an Organizer and have a Y Branch to your Union. The first quarter's blank will be sent the Unions and Branches December 1.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## COUNTIES.

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY held their annual convention in the Y. M. C. A. parlors of South Bend, September 28. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, presided, and made a most excellent address on Suffrage, besides giving many practical thoughts on our work. Her services were most heartily appreciated by the Unions.

Reports from the Secretaries and Treasurer showed the work to be in a very prosperous condition. The county has seventy-five active and thirteen honorary members. Besides regular meetings, they have had lectures, held gospel meetings, mass meetings and mothers' meetings; observed red-letter days, and Mrs. Blair has given chalk-talks in schools; Temperance Sunday one thousand leaflets were distributed in the different Sunday schools.

At the Sunday School rally held in the Baptist Church, where fourteen schools were represented, over twelve hundred signed the pledge. Cards were strung on white ribbon. This work was done by Colfax Avenue Union.

Central Union made over two hundred and fifty visits to the sick, carrying bouquets to nearly all Chapin Park Union sent a barrel, valued at \$25.00, to "The Rescue Home." Thousands of pages of literature have been distributed, and bibles given away.

The W. C. T. U. Unions have secured the Curfew law for South Bend, the value of which has already been demonstrated.

Mrs. Weld, County Superintendent of Scientific Temperance, reported visiting schools and finding the teachers anxious to instruct their pupils in the requirements of law.

A paper on "The Progress of Temperance," was read by Mrs. Staples.

Mrs. Fassnacht gave us "A Memorial from the life of Miss Willard." Mrs. Campbell read a poem on the same subject. Mrs. Shontz gave a very interesting talk, and Mrs. Hatch, as a delegate from the Progress Club, came before the Convention to ask the co-operation of the Unions in securing a Police Matron for South Bend. By a unanimous rising vote the Unions responded to the proposition.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Daisy Shontz; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Maria Gorsuch; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Cora Sarle; Treasurer, Mrs. Katie W. Holler, all of South Bend; one officer from each Union.

This is only a partial report of the work accomplished. We must remember the thought left us by Mrs. Browning: "Measure not the work until the day's out and the labor done, then bring your gauges. If the day's work is scant, why call it scant? Affect no compromise. And, in that we have nobly striven, at least deal with us nobly, women though we be; and honor us with truth, if not with praise."

MARY P. BUGBEE.

BLACKFORD COUNTY Annual Convention was held in the M. E. Church at Millgrove. The County President and National worker, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, were present and managed the Convention splendidly. Other home workers helped to make the Convention interesting. Two Unions represented. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Stahl, Hartford City; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sarah J. Knight, Hartford City; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lottie Races, Millgrove; Treasurer, Mrs. Rebecca Emsuriles, Hartford; Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Sarah J. Knight, Hartford City; President of Work, Mrs. S. D. Anderman, Hartford City; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. A. E. Lee, Hartford City; Mercy and Purity, Mrs. Lina Paulson, Montpelier; Suffrage, Mrs. Lottie Races, Millgrove; Medal Contest, Mrs. Alice Stewart, Hartford City; Flower Mission, Mrs. Charley Leonard, Hartford City; S. T. I., Mrs. Brady, Hartford City; Evangelistic, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City; L. T. L., Mrs. Carrie Martin, Hartford City; Parliamentary, Mrs. T. Shull, Montpelier. MRS. SARAH J. KNIGHT.

FULTON COUNTY, at their Annual Convention, were favored with Miss Annie Downey's effective services. They made a change in their County officers, Mrs. Dr. Shafer, of Rochester, is now President, and Mr. Ida Wagner, Treasurer.

LAKE COUNTY Annual Convention was held at Hobart. Delegates were present from Crown Point and Hammond. A very interesting program was carried out. Good audience present, showing interest and giving encouragement. Our worthy County President, Miss Alice Sohl, was re-elected for another year. The sessions were all well attended. The next annual Convention will be held in Hammond in September.

PORTER COUNTY Convention was held September 30 at Valparaiso with a good attendance. The program was extremely interesting and helped to add to our membership. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. L. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Elizabeth Rice; Recording Secretary, Jane Sampson; Treasurer, Miss Alice Keach. Mrs. Rounds gave the evening address on the subject, "The unsolved problem" and won great applause. Our county work has been much hindered on account of sickness during the entire year in the family of our president. We hope the coming year to take up department work in our unions and extend our usefulness as we have not been able to do heretofore. ELIZABETH RICE.

ELKHART COUNTY. Our delegates arrived home in safety from the State convention and we all enjoy the reports and join our voices with other counties in a long, loud hurrah for Indiana. We feel amply rewarded for all we have done and hope to continue in the work. "There is nothing impossible for Indiana." Mrs. Tompkins sent us a number of franchise petitions that are being prepared for signatures. We are contemplating our anniversary next month and fully expect to observe it royally.

Our Y branch is so elated over again capturing the State banner they feel equal to almost any emergency. We are very proud of our Y branch.

The Garvin concert company visited our county and did much good work for the temperance element.

Mrs. Shelt will lecture on "Systematic Giving" the coming Thursday.

We hope to have Miss Brehm with us in the near future.

Although not very large, yet we feel we are helping the good work on. Our mothers' meetings are greatly enjoyed and well attended.

Rev. Caine will hold a Gospel Temperance meeting next Sunday. The W. C. T. U.'s will help furnish the music.

MRS. A. P. DAUB,

Press Superintendent.

CLINTON COUNTY has organized the second Union since the State convention, at Farmer's Chapel, by the County President.

WARREN COUNTY has organized the third Union since the State convention, at Mineral Springs, by Mrs. Allie Anderson.

## A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL BOARD, ENDORSED BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

We recommend the stirring campaign to meet the necessities of our Industrial School. Any county, whose every Union will hold a medal contest by the time of our Mid-Year meeting, and send the net proceeds to the Treasurer of the Board for the School, shall have an organizer enroute for a week.

Miss Hobart, President of the Hadley Industrial School Board, writes: "Everything is favorable for the success of this Home, but we must plan ahead to meet our running expenses. A school is now established in the building, the Indianapolis School Board having generously loaned us 29 desks to help furnish the school room. All the girls are in school, with Miss Cora Angell, of LaPorte, as teacher. She is a member of the Y Branch of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and comes well recommended. How the burden has been lifted from the Executive Committee, by the noble response of friends, at the State Convention, in providing for the debts of this School. The Lord will bless you "Inasmuch as ye did unto these little ones, ye did it unto me"

## FIELD NOTES.

THORNTOWN AND ZIONSVILLE W. C. T. Unions each have secured a Curfew Ordinance.

BOONE COUNTY President has held two W. C. T. U. medal contests this summer.

PERU UNION will send a barrel of fruit to our Hadley Training School.

MRS. MARY C. WOODY, of Guilford, North Carolina, National W. C. T. U. Evangelist, has been sojourning in Indiana. She attended our State convention. We extend to her a most cordial welcome and an invitation to remain among us.

MRS. M. A. TOMPKINS, our efficient Suffrage Superintendent, visited the convention of Ontario, Canada, held at New Market recently. Sunday afternoon, October 16th, she held services in the town hall, presided over by the mayor. The hall seated five hundred, and was crowded to its utmost capacity, and only criticisms of praise were bestowed on our Hoosier representative.

MRS. D. T. SMITH, of Bluffton, writes profuse thanks and words of appreciation for the premium given her at the State Convention for the last quarterly reports. The life sized picture of Miss Willard, framed, was the premium given to this faithful, efficient worker.

## VERY SAD ACCIDENTS.

MRS. Z. H. STANLEY, of Liberty, President of Union county, buried her baby Ross, Friday, 10 A. M., from the Presbyterian church. In some unaccountable way the little fellow set fire to his clothing, and died from the effects. There are no words coined to measure the sorrow.

Our Vice-President, Miss Hadley, met with a painful experience while in the street near the postoffice, in Indianapolis, just about to take a street car. The hind wheel of a wagon which dashed by between her and the car, ran over her foot, making a very severe bruise, but breaking no bones. It means patience as well as suffering.

LINDLEY UNION met last Tuesday at the home of Miss Kate Leebrick, the new President. The interesting report of our State Convention was by the delegate, Mrs. Vessie Buroker. Afterwards lunch was served by the hostess. The collection taken was divided between the Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings and Scientific Temperance Instruction, for literature.

GUILFORD, organized the last of September, holds a contest this month about Thanksgiving time. They held their first public meeting October 21st, in the M. E. church, and carried out a most stirring program.

WOLCOTT Union meetings are all well attended, which greatly encourages the workers.

ARCADIA Union has gained two members since it was organized, September 16th.

Kentland Union has had Mrs. Blair for a chalk-talk. She organized an L. T. L. Since Miss Willard's death twenty dollars was sent to the Temple. No delegate was sent to the State Convention.

Marion Central W. C. T. U. had Mrs. Ellen D. Blair Oct. 27th, for the benefit of their Loyal Legioners.

Pern Union has thirty active and three honorary members. Hold meetings once in two weeks.

One woman in Grant county walked eight miles to attend the County Convention of the W. C. T. U.

Since the evenings have become cooler the meetings at the Solder's Home at Marion, are "booming," having signers to the pledge every meeting. The W. C. T. U. with the willing assistance of the ministers, have kept these meetings going during the past six years, twice a week.

President of Deer Creek Union, Grant county, cooked all night preparing dinner for Thresher next day, that she might be able to attend the State Convention next day.

Wayne County Convention will be held at Boston, Nov. 11th.

The Mary F. Thomas Union of Richmond, have completed their new church, known as the "North End Mission." It was dedicated Oct. 30th.

The Marion Central W. C. T. U. have challenged the South Marion W. C. T. U. to a spelling match in the near future. The winners to receive the collection.

While attending the convention at LaFayette Julia Averman, State Superintendent of "Work among Soldiers and Sailors," held a meeting in the "State Home" located there, and procured one hundred signatures to the pledge, and find the women there eager for a W. C. T. U. to be organized in their home.

Mrs. Susanna Hadley has been re-elected President of Plainfield Union.

The Loyal Temperance Legion of Marion is growing each week in interest and numbers. Mr. Walter Arnold is their efficient President.

Mr. Thomson will accompany his wife, Mrs. Laura Thompson, to the convention at St. Paul. Urge all the husbands to go.

Ella Boyd, a most faithful, persistent and successful W. C. T. U. sister, has moved from Sedalia, Clinton county, to Camden, Carroll county. That means a new Union at Camden, and added impetus to the County Union.

Mrs. W. M. Stahl, President of Blackford county, addressed the County Sunday School Convention on "How to Instruct the Children in the Temperance Lesson."

Western Grove Union, Hancock county seat, two delegates to the State Convention. They will furnish meals for the November election at one, possibly two, precincts. Temperance literature will be distributed through the schools of the township. The Superintendent of S. T. I. has permission of the trustees to give her illustrated Temperance lecture to the schools. A young woman has joined since the State Convention, also an honorary member.

Mrs. Moffit, who served as Corresponding Secretary of Wayne County Union for ten years, will move to Alexandria, where she will be welcomed into Madison County's White Ribbon sisterhood.

Our Mrs. Ellen K. Denny has visited many Unions this fall. From these sources we learn of her appreciated labors. She also attended the National Prison Congress, at Indianapolis.

Franchise Petitions. The politicians are saying if "only a few women sign, then it will be evident that only cranks want the ballot." Urge every woman to sign. Remember to have two copies of petition, one for the 'Senate' and one for the 'House of Representatives.' Have everybody to sign both—men's names in one column, women's names in another.

Mrs. Kate Riddle is the new President of Alton Union.



THE FIRST UNION after State Convention.—Where? Grant County, to be sure, at Matthews. Mrs. Cammack and others went over and organized a Union of eight members. The place is marked on the maps, New Cumberland. Officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Alice Whorton; Secretary, Mrs. Maryette Dunn; Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Lyons.

#### THE DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION—THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LETTER.

We would naturally turn first to the report of the Plan of Work Committee, which we give below:—Dear Co-Workers—Will you study it and make yourselves familiar with it? Then the next in order is the additional plans given to us by our Central Committee. These should be read in our local Union meeting, and if it happened that the day was stormy and but a few members present for any cause, then read and discuss them at a second meeting. And go to work to win. As County Presidents were asked to suggest subjects for the papers of note, those subjects will be given in the December MESSAGE, and this will give County Presidents time to send in their subjects to Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. Eleventh street, Indianapolis. If there are any Unions still entitled to a free lecture on the stirring campaign Plan—if in any way they have been overlooked—we urge them to send in their claim, and it will be attended to. One lady or Union is entitled to a copy of the Thumb Nail Sketches, by Miss Willard. The letter notifying us has been mislaid. Will the party write again? Do not fail to make note of the program for the first Quarterly Department meeting for December. We suggest December 26, 27, 28 or 29, because at that time a great, round moon will shine down on old mother earth, to help the people not blessed with electric lights. However, local Union chose such dates in December as will best suit local conditions. Look in the December MESSAGE for the directory of County Presidents and Superintendents, and it should be the duty of the Recording Secretary to send to the State Corresponding Secretary, the names of any changes in the officers of the Union or county, also report if their Union has prepared a program for the year. And another very important matter is, has every old Union a local Corresponding Secretary's book? If not, send for one, 15 cents. Has every County Corresponding Secretary a Record book? If not, send for one, price 35 cents. You can not afford to do without these books, when they are prepared for you, and waiting on the shelves, unused. Treasurers have their books they order of the State Treasurer, 15 cents, local; 35 cents, county. Do not get this mixed. Secretary's get their books from the State Secretary—711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis. Treasurers get their books from the State Treasurer—3335 North Meridian street.

We believe that every Union which prepares its own program, should send a copy to at least one of the State officers, that we may be in touch with every Union. No one can tell; it may be our last, but let it be our best year, in His service.

MARY E. BALCH.

The Central Committee offers the following, as incentives for immediate action, in addition to the Plan of Work, endorsed by the Convention:

Any person sending in at one time 24 subscriptions to the MESSAGE, with the money, shall receive a copy of Miss Willard's Do Everything Policy.

Any Union sending in a subscription list equal to its paid membership, shall receive a copy of the Union Signal for its W. T. P. A. agent, if not otherwise supplied. In that case, to any woman the Union selects.

Any county sending in a subscription list equal to its paid membership, by January 1st, shall receive a life size picture of Miss Willard.

Every Union of less than 20 members, that makes a gain of five by September 25th, 1899, when the State Treasurer's books close, shall have a place on the Honor Roll, at next State Convention.

Any Union of 20 members and over, that makes a gain of ten members by September 25, 1899, when the State Treasurer's books close, shall have place on the Honor Roll, No. 2, at the next State Convention.

Any county which organizes two Unions by the time of the Mid-Year meeting, and has paid to the State Treasurer dues for not less than five members each, shall have a State Organizer enroute for one week.

#### PLAN OF WORK ENDORSED BY THE CONVENTION.

1. We recommend that a program be made out by the State Officers, for the use of Unions not having their own. Program printed in the MESSAGE, and copies of the paper furnished Local Unions for the postage.

2. That the life membership plan be continued, the money to be divided as follows: \$10.00 to the State. \$5.00 to the county and \$10.00 to the Local Union.

3. That the Department Fund plan be continued, and the money used for helping Local Superintendents. EDITOR. If we understand that the collection taken at the Quarterly Department Meeting is to be retained by the Local Union, then there is no Department Fund plan. We feel constrained to advise following the original plan, sending one-half of the money to the State, one-fourth to the county, and one-fourth to the Local Union, and all the money to be used for Department Work and nothing else. If we interpret the clause (and the money used for helping Local Superintendents), in the broadest and best sense, it accepts the original division of the money.

4. We favor County Normal Institutes on the Schedule plan, as to date, place and leader, and that we utilize as much as possible our State and Local Superintendents and evangelists in which the Institutes are held.

5. We approve of the papers of note.

6. In organizing new Unions the organizer will say if every member will now pay twenty-five cents of their dues down, and all consent to having the twenty-five cents go to pay for a copy of the MESSAGE, the State will then send a copy of the Union Signal to the women they choose to act as W. T. P. A. agents.

7. Newly organized Unions will be entitled to a copy of the minutes, the Secretaries' and Treasurer's Record Books, and such other helps as the State can provide.

8. We recommend the plan of the State Superintendent of Franchise, which is, that a chairman be appointed in each county, and a committee of three in each Local Union to make a canvass of the county by voting precincts with the following addition: the State Suffrage Committee having special supervision over unorganized counties, or those with but few members.

9. The General Officers, Organizers, and Branch Secretaries should hold a conference as early as possible in the year to avoid any confusion in the field work.

#### LIST OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION AT ST. PAUL.

General Officers: President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis; Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, Indianapolis; Recording Secretary, Mattie O. Cammack, Marion. Delegate at Large, Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington; alternate, Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis; for sending in the second largest list of subscribers to the MESSAGE. L. T. L. Delegate, Mrs. Amanda R. Gordon, Argos; alternate, Mrs. Kate T. A. Straw, North Manchester. List of Delegates for membership, each representing 500 members and over: Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francesville; Miss Eliza F. Baker, Otterbein; Mrs. Phebe Doan, Westfield; Mrs. Emma Joyce, Terre Haute.

1. Allie Anderson, Francesville; Mrs. L. J. Horner, Monon.

2. Miss Eliza F. Baker, Otterbein; Mrs. Kate Baricklow, Frankfort.

3. Mrs. Phebe L. Doan, Westfield; Mrs. Mary E. Sims, 3350 Central Avenue, Indianapolis.

4. Emma Joyce, 1214 N. H. street, Terre Haute; Mrs. Eva Evertson, Mt. Vernon.

5. Mrs. Laura Thomason, Greensburg; Mrs. Ella Davis, Richmond.

6. Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. Emma Hedges, New Castle.

7. Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland, Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd.

8. Mrs. Hannah Willanar, Pleasant Lake; Mrs. Amanda Hauffman, Goshen.

#### IMPORTANT.

Many Unions have not yet sent in the fifty cents for the Convention Fund. This amount is scarcely missed from the Local Unions, but it means a great deal to the Local Committee at LaFayette, who entertained us so beautifully. Let me urge you to send at once, and thus relieve them of the burden of a debt.

Blanks will be sent to the County Treasurers the last week in November. Will County Treasurers please remember to forward to the Local Treasurers at once? If blanks are not received by the Local Treasurers by the fifth of December, please write the County Treasurer for them. If County Treasurers do not receive blanks the last week in November write the State Treasurer at once.

Promptness in our work means much. Please be prompt in the collection of dues, that this quarter may go far ahead of the corresponding quarter last year.

A. T. WHITSON.

Bloomington Union is very much encouraged by the splendid year's work of Indiana W. C. T. U., as reported at our late State Convention. We expect to continue the circulation of the suffrage petition, and plan for more Department work. How will little Indiana feel at St. Paul, being entitled to so large a share in Benefit Night, and what will she do if Luella and the rest of them come marching home with the National Banner? Verily for victories already won, she ought to praise God and take fresh courage.

VICE PRESIDENT BLOOMINGTON UNION.

South Bend Colfax Avenue Union has fourteen active and six honorary members; meetings twice each month. It owns a circulating library. The departments are Scientific Temperance, Sabbath School, Mothers Meetings. The second meeting of each month is the Mothers Meeting. Light refreshments are served by a parlor caterer.

The program was written out for the year with the woman's name who was to lead each month and the subject. The following topics were used: Home-making and Home-keeping, Women of the Bible, Clothing for Infants, Proper Food for Children, Children's Literature, Dangers to Our Girls, Dangers to Our Boys, Proper Punishment, Training the Will, The Mothers and the Public School. Papers were written by the leaders and the subjects thoroughly discussed, Department leaflets were distributed pertaining to the various subjects. Teaching Truth, Child Confidence, Rewarded, Almost a Man, were read aloud in the Union and discussed, and Almost a Woman is being read now by the members. Good work is being done

in the Sabbath School department. Mrs. Gorsuch, superintendent, aided by the church vice presidents, by their efforts twelve hundred boys and girls signed the pledge and a grand union Sunday School rally was held, where the cards were displayed, then sent to Mrs. Geary, State Superintendent Sunday Schools.

LOGANSPOUT CENTAL UNION has elected the following officers and Superintendents: President; Mrs. J. VanBuskirk; Vice President, Mrs. C. P. Wright; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. E. Howe; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Rogers; Treasurer, Mrs. Alice G. Geary; Superintendents—Temperance Literature, Mrs. Jennie Rogers; Sunday School, Mrs. Hattie Kerause; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Mary J. Stevenson; Press Work, Mrs. Alice G. Geary; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Kake Overholser; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. L. E. Howe; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Esther L. Grable; Evangelistic, Mrs. R. A. Butterworth; Jail, Mrs. C. P. Wright; Flower Mission, Mrs. Jane Cornwell; Medal Contest, Mrs. Nannie Gipe; Purity, Mrs. Mary J. Washburne; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Lizzie Troutman.

#### CONVENTION ECHOES.

Our city seems to be thoroughly aroused to the interest of the Woman's Christian Temperance Work, the result of the State Convention, recently held here.

A new lease of life has been given us, and persons who have seemingly been indifferent along this line, have become awakened to the large amount of good that is being done through this White Ribbon movement.

Friday evening, the 21st, a reception was held at the residence of William Levering. This was well attended, and a number of members added to the Union.

Sunday afternoon, the 23d, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union gave a fine program at Willard Hall. Addresses were made by Helen M. Gouger, Ella J. Davis, of Richmond, State Evangelist, and Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, County President. The subject of the speakers being the State Convention, discussing some of the features of the work, and the results of the Convention that have been most prominent, since its close. A large audience was in attendance, music was furnished by the Willard Hall Choral Club, under the direction of Prof. Kinsey, his son Carl presiding at the piano.

The past week, four of our Ministers, with their wives, have donned the White Ribbon, which gives encouragement along this line.

The LaFayette Union has plans on foot, arranging a contest for membership, and hopes soon to report the fact that she is the banner Union of the State.

We have caught the spirit of enthusiasm, and hope for long and lasting results.

MRS. J. F. KINSEY,  
President LaFayette W. C. T. U.

The convention did more to break down the prejudice of this conservative city, i. e., the idea that the Women's Christian Temperance Union was a talking union, and not a doing one, than all other influences combined.

A young man called at the church, and of necessity, remained during a part of the morning session. As he came in he said to one of the ushers (myself), "the idea of a crowd of women like that attempting to fight such a gigantic evil as the rum traffic is to me absolutely ridiculous." After being in the meeting a few minutes he remarked, that "if all the women had as much sense as the presiding officer they might do something;" and when he heard the reports of the actual work done in the State, he acknowledged himself vanquished.

The entire Convention went to prove the old motto, "In union there is strength." And as one man remarked, "When it is a union of women fighting what they hate like they do the devil himself, it seems to me absolutely impregnable."

Last Sunday a little girl in a Sunday School class said they had formed a children's W. C. T. U. like that one that was at St. Paul, and they were going to each bring a penny every week to help the women fight whiskey and tobacco.

They had no suggestions from any one; but one or two of their home delegates had entertained, from whom they heard of the great work of the Union, and its need of financial help.

No one who heard Miss Brehm on Sunday afternoon will forget her keen wit, her terse illustrations, and her apparently complete comprehension of the way in which to present cold facts to prejudiced people in order to convince and not anger them.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union showed that, in all their work, they would have no common place speakers to present what they realize to be vital truths. This was seen when they selected not just a good lecturer, but the best in John G. Woolley, and the audience which greeted him proved that no matter how narrow and prejudiced "the people," may be, they like to hear a man who is not afraid to reveal their sin to them, and who tolerates absolutely no compromise with what he believes is absolute sin.

One man said of him "He came down on my democratic toes pretty hard, but after all I don't know but what may be they need bruising."

To those who attended, I believe the "County President's Night" was the crowning session. It was not only amusing, but very profitable in that it showed what a very diversified crowd of women can do, even with two minutes. Some tried to report a year's hard work, others picked out a single important movement to report as an example, while still others simply announced that the half could never be told in two minutes.

To sum up the impression of the uninitiated women who attended the Convention, we would say, in the words of Josiah Allen, "We always knew we wuz good, but we never realized how dumb good we wuz before."

Sincerely,  
LELIA BASSETT.



"Not by Might Nor  
By Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF OUR STATE L. T. L.

Now that the conventions are all over, their deeds recorded in the history of the W. C. T. U., it is time that we begin to make new history, and in order to do this we must do something. What member of the W. C. T. U. can look upon the history of 1898, but with a feeling of righteous pride and thankfulness? for in that year she increased her membership 1,000 or more, had a place on the National program for benefit night, and the beloved President carried home the Frances Willard banner. But stop, we are talking of our L. T. L.'s; what they did do, or rather what has been done for them, for the L. T. L.'s can not work alone. We can help our mothers very much about the home, but we can not keep house; so with our L. T. L. work, we can do much, but we can not run an L. T. L. without the mothers.

And now what we want to ask is this: As this is the time of the year when children, as well as grown up people, are making good resolutions, and thinking of the clear white page they mean to turn over on New Year's day, and cover up all the mistakes of the past year, we want every white ribboner in Indiana to resolve to do something for the L. T. L., and we want to ask, especially, that our State and county officers take a more active interest in this department than has even yet been taken. The children are ready, and waiting to be organized into Legions, if the mothers will only take the lead. We ought to have a large increase in membership to report at our State L. T. L. Convention. If we do not have, whose fault will it be? Somebody's surely.

And now a word to the children. You know we have thirty departments of work in the State; that is, our mother's have, but we can not take very many of them. There are, however, a few that we can and of one these is Proportionate and Systematic Giving, or tithing our money. There is no boy or girl who does not sometimes receive pennies, and some get nickels and dimes, and some more. Well now, let those of us who have not already done so, get a small box with a tight lid, write on it John's or Mary's (or whatever name it may be), tithe box, and that means, The Lord's box. Every tenth penny you get put in that box. You see that isn't giving very much, because you keep nine pennies and give the Lord one, but you will be surprised how money will grow, and then think what you can do with it if you want to buy badges in our L. T. L. (and all legions should have them), and when your leader says Who can bring five or ten cents to the next meeting, we want to get our badges? why every boy or girl who has been tithing his or her money, put up a hand. They don't have to wait until they ask mother; they know they can get it, because they have it in the Lord's box, and this is his work.

I wonder how many children would like to see an L. T. L. column in the MESSAGE, with Mrs. Gordon as editor? All who would, will please drop me a card, and if we get enough names, perhaps we can get the column. Of course all Legioners ought to take the Young Crusader, and many will, we think, when they get their tithe box established. Yours for the L. T. L. of Indiana.

JAMES C. GIPE.

1730 Broadway, Indianapolis.

## THE MEMORIAL WHITE RIBBON NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The St. Paul Convention was held in the People's Church, with a seating capacity of over 6,000. It was situated in a beautiful part of the city and well arranged for convention purposes. Lunch was served at noon and evening in the Sunday school rooms. The convention was largely attended. The platform was most beautifully decorated. At no time in the past has there been more elaborate floral decorations at our National conventions. Upon the platform was the vacant chair, over which was draped the White Star Spangled Banner which rested during the last days of our Chieftain's life about her bed. Upon this banner were laid many tributes of flowers, which made the chair indeed a chair of bloom. Behind it and a little to the right sat the Acting President, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, with her jet black hair, her large, stately figure and her earnest, motherly face, which seemed to be a token of the great heartedness and magnificent character of the woman. By her side sat Miss Anna Gordon, and to the right and left were tables for the Secretaries and for the Treasurer. Upon a great easel was a beautifully executed picture of Miss Willard, the gift of a New York woman. Behind the pulpit and against the choir rail hung some magnificent State banners. To the right of the platform stood a white silk banner about ten feet high, which contains a painting of the Madonna. This, in former years,

was the gift of Mrs. Emily D. Martin, of New York, costing \$500. The galleries were decorated with bunting and State banners and underneath, suspended from one pillar to another, was the Sunday School pledge chain, thousands and thousands of cards such as were exhibited at our State convention, Indiana contributing a larger part than any other state. There was a gloom over the convention, the great magnetic leader was gone, but in the deliberations there seemed to be a determined effort on the part of each and every delegate to redouble their efforts for the advancement of the cause. This seems to have been the feeling of many workers, for at no convention has there ever been reported such an increase in membership. Seven states made an increase of over 500. Indiana made the greatest gain, which was 1,150, for which she received the Frances Willard White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner, also the old battle-scarred National membership banner and the Y banner. These things do not have a tendency to puff us up, but rather make us feel more determined than ever before that we will go on to victory and refuse to pass on these banners at the end of the year. In order to keep them we will need to do much personal work.

The Memorial service was held at the hour when Miss Willard has for years delivered her annual address. The service was beautiful and impressive. The reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer were very encouraging. The first evening of the convention was Welcome Night, and a right royal welcome was extended by the Governor of the State, the ex-Governor, the Mayor and representatives from the Commercial Club, Ministerial Association and other associations, and by the President of Minnesota W. C. T. U., young, fair haired Mrs. Scovel, who stirred the hearts of comrades, and who elicited praise from all. The responses were given by some of the brightest and best White Ribbon representatives from the East, the Pacific coast, the Southland, the Middle States, and the Northwest. The great house was filled that night, and enthusiasm ran high.

On Saturday work began in earnest, the delegations being seated under their bannerettes as States and Territories, the pages with regalia on, and all delegates with a beautiful white satin badge, upon which in silver letters were "Memorial Convention, St. Paul, Nov. 11 to 16, 1898," in the center being a picture of Frances Willard. These, the Indiana delegation wore with a white badge, upon which was printed, "Indiana, 1,050 gain." The gain, however, was 100 short of the actual fact.

The Indiana delegation sat just between the National Superintendents, and the Ohio delegation, and across the aisle from our banner was the Missouri delegation, and further away, and across the aisle sat the South Dakota and Kansas delegations. During the many days of Convention life we found these neighbors very congenial.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, of Maine; Vice President, Miss Anna Gordon, Illinois; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, Illinois; Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, North Dakota; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara Hoffman, Missouri; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, Kentucky. Mrs. Katherine Lente Stevenson, the former Corresponding Secretary refused to serve and had on this account previously been elected President of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U.

The National decided, after many hours of deliberation, that it would no longer consider the Temple an affiliated interest. Many invitations were received for the next Convention and it was decided to accept the one from Seattle, Washington, because for years there has been a desire on the part of the Western coast people for a Convention and it has been promised to them. I hope that every Indiana man and woman who can arrange to go to Seattle next October will do so. In addition to the cordial invitations from the various organizations of the city of Seattle there came a telegram to the National Secretary stating that the Chamber of Commerce would present \$1,500 to the National Treasury if the Convention was held at Seattle. This surely indicates a great desire on the part of the Western people to have a white ribbon convention.

### L. T. L. BRANCH.

The next best thing to attending the convention is reading the minutes. Therefore send for the State Minutes and read the report of Legion work in the State. It is booming and Indiana is coming to the front to stay.

Let us renew our energies for the coming year and make it still better. ARGOS.

AMANDA R. GORDON,

State Secretary.

There is great responsibility upon the Local President. In order to keep all members of the Union interested, all must be kept busy. Many join who are willing to work, but because they are not given something definite to do they become indifferent and give their time to some other work. Local Presidents, you are the leaders; much of the responsibility of the success or failure of your Union will depend upon your ability to lead. Send for minutes of last State Convention.

Those who desire the services of our Oratorical Contest Organizer, Mrs. Ada L. Squires, of Martinsville, should write to her immediately. Mrs. Squires will organize and train oratorical classes, and hold contests. She will make house to house visits, interest the people in the W. C. T. U., add new members to Unions, and organize new Unions. Mrs. Squires, as an elocutionist, is entertaining; as a lecturer, she is earnest and convincing. She wins her audience.

Every Union should now arrange to have an Organizer, or Evangelist for one week. The Organizer makes house to house visits, holding a meeting for women, girls, or children each afternoon, and gives a public address each evening, and two public addresses on Sunday, Saturday only being reserved for rest. The Evangelists will co-operate with pastors, make house to house visits, hold special meetings upon any plan deemed practical by the Union.

These Indiana workers are especially informed upon our State work. They are earnest, effective laborers. They will revive the membership, increase the interest in your community, and add new members to your Union.

The collections at the meetings, and the honorary membership fees will usually pay all the expenses and leave a surplus in the treasury.

The following letter from our World's President was received by Mrs. Lizzie Thomas, of Evansville. The corresponding secretary received one as gracious in reply to her letter written as per instruction of the convention.

EASTNOR CASTLE, LEDBURY, Nov. 3, 1898.

My Dear Friend—I have received your letter and beg you to thank the friends of the Indiana W. C. T. U. for their loyal greeting, their kind sympathy and their loving words which you have expressed in your letter. My earnest wishes and constant prayers are for the success of the work to every land. With affectionate greeting.

Your faithful comrade,

ISABELLE SOMERSET.

—South Bend Central Union has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Cora W. Sierer; Vice-President, Mrs. M. S. Durham; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Katie W. Holler; Treasurer, Mrs. Ada Carpenter Barnard.

—It is true that the saloon does make business, but what kind? Ask the policeman, ask the officials of the jails, penitentiaries, insane hospitals and poor houses. Ask the merchant, the butcher, the baker, and the shoe maker. Then ask God to lead and direct us all in plain paths to the after extinction of the utter liquor business.—Back Bone.

—Mrs. Teats, of California, a Purity lecturer, has been engaged at Frankfort, in our State. Letters from there speak in strong commendation of her work. Write to Mrs. Balch and secure her for your Union.

—The Frances E. Willard Union, of Richmond, is the new name for the Richmond Union.

—Make your friend a Christmas present of a yearly subscription to the MESSAGE.

—Bridgeport Union held a Suffrage Contest last month, from which they realized over \$20.

—There is vigorous petition work being done in Marion County. The suffrage petition is being taken to many churches to be signed.

—Bloomington Union held a Medal Contest in November, the proceeds to be given to the Hadley Industrial School.

The First Christmas in America, a new concert exercise for the Sunday School, edited by Mrs. J. F. Kinsey. If you are tired of that same old "chestnut" of a Christmas Tree, and want something entirely different, that is inexpensive in arrangement and can be prepared with a few rehearsals, this new exercise is just what you are looking for.

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"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

Please notice that all business communications should be sent to, and all remittances made payable to Amanda T. Whitson, Business Manager of the MESSAGE.

Nebraska, in recent State Convention, adopted, with only one dissenting vote, Iowa's plan for supporting a State W. C. T. U. paper. The plan is, that out of every membership due, which is \$1.00, that 25 cents must go to pay that member's subscription to the State paper. By this means every woman reads the paper and becomes interested. Local interest is greatly increased. As local interest increases, new members are sure to follow. Iowa has tried this plan for three years and could not be induced to return to the old way. In one of the Eastern States the subscription list to their State paper is double their membership list. One lady said the paper was only 25 cents a year, and many pay a dollar and send the paper to those they think will become interested in their work. It has proved quite successful.

Make the MESSAGE a Christmas present of your yearly subscription. The most suitable Christmas present for the MESSAGE is a fine, large club from your Union. Who will send the largest?

The following was received by the State President in April, 1897, and is published by request:

### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That it is the desire of the society of the W. C. T. U. at Vincennes, Indiana, that the State President of the W. C. T. U. of the State of Indiana, formulate and prepare a petition to be signed by the legal voters of said State, and to be presented to the Honorable Body, the Legislature of the State of Indiana, at its next regular session, to convene at Indianapolis, praying that Body to take such steps as seem most expedient to have the word MALE stricken from the Constitution of the State of Indiana, thereby granting free and equal suffrage to all citizens over the age of twenty-one years, regardless of sex.

SECTION 2. That the State President send one of said petitions to every society of W. C. T. U. in this State, with instructions to have them presented to each voter in the township or county where such society is located, and if possible, have him sign the same.

SECTION 3. We further desire that the society in each county in this State select some influential man known to be favorable to the cause of equal suffrage, to present said petition to the Legislature, immediately after its next assembling.

SECTION 4. That said men be requested to meet at Indianapolis on an appointed day, during the session of said Legislature, and present said petition, and urge the consideration of the same, in the strongest possible manner. Prepared and offered by

ELIZABETH J. CHANCELLOR.

April 6, 1897.

### WORK AMONG FOREIGNERS.

Will the County Presidents please help me so that I can do better work? If there are foreigners in your county won't you please write me? Tell me their nationality so I can send literature and above all, will you not appoint a superintendent so the work can be better done? I do so much wish to have Unions formed among the foreigners. If it is possible to procure a column in any foreign newspaper that may be published in your county, please inform me as soon as possible and I will send you the material for said column. I pray you to give my request a place in your plan of work. God will bless you for what little help you may render in this department of our work.

MRS. ANNA KILMER,  
State Superintendent.

### ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

I hope every Union in your State will begin at once to organize Anti-Cigarette or Anti-Tobacco Leagues in the public schools. If you find it impossible to organize during school hours, then organize at some other time, but organize we must. Read what Fred. W. Byers, Surgeon-General of Wisconsin, says: "I re-

gret to say numbers of our young men, otherwise desirable, were rejected by the Medical Department of Wisconsin for enlistment in the late war, because of defective nutrition and impaired or diseased nervous systems, due in most cases, when investigated, to cigarette smoking." Surely it is time to enlist our boys in the anti-cigarette warfare, and I call upon all good people to help. Send two cent stamp for constitution. Send petitions by the thousands to Congress in favor of the Interstate Commerce bill. This is a bill to regulate the cigarette trade in the states, allowing states to pass laws forbidding the sale, importation and manufacture of the cigarette. Have petitions signed by organizations and individuals. Send two cent stamp for petitions and instructions. MRS. E. B. INGALLS,  
National Superintendent Anti-Narcotic W. C. T. U.

### MERCY DEPARTMENT.

I should like every county to appoint a superintendent for the Mercy Department this year who will make a special effort for the prizes I shall offer. First, to the superintendent who organizes the largest number of Bands of Mercy, aggregating the greatest number of members, I will give \$1 worth of literature. Second, to the superintendent who secures the most signatures to the Bird pledge I will give 50 cents worth of literature. I will furnish the Bird pledge to any superintendent desiring to work for the prize. Mrs. Howe, of Blackford County, secured the prize of \$2 worth of literature offered last year for greatest amount of work reported. Let every one try this year.

At the end of each quarter I wish each county superintendent would send me answers to the following questions. I wish to try quarterly reports. Send in answers the last of December, March, June and September. Cut these out for future reference or keep the paper: How many bands of mercy have you organized? How many members each—children, adults? How many signatures have you secured to the bird pledge? How many pages of literature have you distributed? What kind? How many ministers have you requested to preach on the subject of cruelty to animals? How many did so and of what denominations? Have any articles been written for the press? How many? Have you done anything to create sentiment against vivisection? If so, what? State anything else of interest that has been done along the line of humane work. Keep these questions, please, and answer at the times stated. LOU. E. RALL,  
Superintendent.

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

The necessity of much work in this department is recognized by all, and more especially by those having sons, husbands or brothers in our encampment posts or navy. One important step in our department is petitioning President McKinley to abolish the pernicious "canteen" system from army encampment posts and navy. The canteen is supposed to keep the soldiers out of temptation of the saloons outside of the camp, but it has resulted in making it easier for the soldier to be led astray by bringing the temptation in the camp or ship.

I am much encouraged with the work that has been done in the past six months, but let us not "weary in well doing," but rather renew our energy for the coming year's work.

The following is an outline of question blanks to be used this year:

1. In your county or town how many soldiers' homes, hospitals, posts or encampments?
2. How many meetings have you held for soldiers? Sailors?
3. How many pages of literature distributed? Comfort bags, delicacies, etc.?
4. How many letters written to soldiers in the army or sailors in the navy?
5. Have you co-operated with G. A. R. or W. R. C. in observing Memorial Day?
6. How many flags have been placed on school houses?
7. How many souls have been saved among soldiers and sailors?
8. How many honorary members secured among soldiers or sailors? How many Unions formed?
9. How many boxes have been sent to the army or navy? Contents?
10. Do you take and read the Union Signal?

The battle-cry this year is, a Superintendent in each Local Union. Trusting you will all join me in making this the very best year in our work, I am yours in His name, JULIA OVERMAN,  
Superintendent.

### PURITY.

I am hoping, working and praying for large results in the Purity Department this year, and if each Union will make a note of what they do in this line and report, we will come to the next State Convention with a song of praise on our lips. Secure a superintendent if possible, if not, then let the secretary keep account of the work done and report to me quarterly, not forgetting to give her name and address. Mrs. Teats, National Purity Lecturer from California will be in our state for a short time on her way back from the National Convention and I would urge every Union to avail themselves of the opportunity to get a national lecturer of so fine a reputation for only half her care fare from the nearest point.

I would recommend Purity Conferences in connection with the Spring Conventions in which the various phases of the subject are presented and discussed. Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, 240 S. Grant street, LaFayette, field worker in this department, will be available for work at these conferences or any other time convenient. Write to her about dates or to the State Corresponding Secretary.

We need the co-operation of those outside our society to do the most effective work and the best way to obtain this is through the White Shield and White Cross Societies. The pledge of these societies and a carefully prepared course of lessons for semi-monthly study appears monthly in the *New Crusade*, the official organ of the Purity Department. No Union or Purity Superintendent can afford to do without it. The paper has been enlarged and the price raised to \$1.00. If you send \$1.00 before January 1, you will receive the paper for two years. You can obtain the manual and pledge cards for the White Cross Society of Mrs. Mable Conklin, 28 New York avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. For information concerning the White Shield work, also for pledges and manuals, write Rose Wood-Allen, Ann Arbor, Mich. Where organizations can not be effected the manuals and pledges can be used in the Sunday schools and young people's societies. If you need rescue work in your town address Mrs. Isabelle Wing-Lake, the Temple, Chicago.

### QUESTIONS FOR THE QUARTERLY REPORT.

Have you done any rescue work? How many erring women have been appealed to? How many erring women have been rescued? How many visits have been made to houses of ill repute? Is the girl employed in the home, the office or the store most often led astray? What have you discovered to be the most active causes that lead girls into lives of sin? Have you a Rescue Home in your town? Is there an industry connected with the same, if so, what is it? Give name and address of matron. How many churches have adopted Rescue Work as belonging to Home Missionary Work? How many subscribers to the *New Crusade*? How many pages of literature given out? Have you done any White Shield or White Cross work?

FRANCES G. BOYER,

208 Aughe Street, Frankfort, Ind.

Superintendent.

### ORPHANS' HOMES, HOMELESS CHILDREN.

DEAR SISTERS—I will give you an outline plan of work for this year, 1898-9, trusting that each county will recognize the department by appointing an earnest active woman for its superintendent and send her carefully written address to the State superintendent. This department has much to do this year; the field is ready for the harvest. Many dependent children are unprovided for, and as the "storms of winter" are upon us, it means much to those who know something of the needs of this class of humanity. Those counties not having homes, let them be ready for organization at once, and your State superintendent will gladly aid you in all things. County presidents, urge your unorganized neighbors (not in the W. C. T. U.) to take up this work. You may thus throw out the "life line" in counties where other departments may not so easily be recognized. A few suggestive questions as the following may aid throughout the year's work: Have you a superintendent for Orphans' Home department? If not, will you appoint one? Have you an orphans' home? If not, will you endeavor to secure one? If no home, how do you provide for dependent children? How many dependent children in your county seeking aid? Is public sentiment in favor of an orphans' home? If not, why not? Have you ever asked your ministers to preach sermons on charity, etc. Have you ever held a public meeting with the view of establishing an orphans' home? Have you ever petitioned your county commissioners for a home or suggested to them to visit homes already established as a convincing proof of the worth of such a method? Will you not strive earnestly to establish and maintain a home in your county for dependents? If you have an orphans' home, is it a success? If not, why not? Is your matron a true christian temperance woman? How many children in the home? How many owe their present condition to the liquor traffic, directly or indirectly? How many children have found permanent homes during the year ending September 1, 1898? Will you aid the home management in finding homes for their children, doing so with great wisdom? Have you ever tried to assist the home management by securing of them contributions of money, food, clothing, literature or legacies, remembering that only 25 cents per day per child is the sum granted by law for the maintenance of these children? After having done all possible, report the "much or little" to your State superintendent by September 1, 1899, and she will be truly grateful. Wabash, Ind. IDA R. BENHAM,  
State Superintendent.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Willard Union, of South Bend, gave \$4.30 worth of Sabbath Observance literature to be used for the advancement of this department. Do you want your county to have a share in this generous donation? If County Presidents will appoint Superintendents and send me their names at once, I will mail leaflets to each of them until the supply is exhausted—one hundred pages of literature and twenty-five Sabbath Observance pledge cards.

Through the efforts of Sabbath-loving and Sabbath-observing people all Sunday work on street contracts in South Bend was recently stopped by the police, and merchants are being prosecuted for keeping their places of business open on Sunday. This is a step in the right direction.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

### LEGISLATIVE WORK.

The following received the unanimous vote of the Convention at LaFayette: That Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, State Superintendent of the Franchise Department; Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Lizzie Hann, 2129 College avenue, Indianapolis, be made a State



Suffrage Committee, empowered to employ the National Superintendent of this department, Miss Marie Brehm, to assist in the effort. This Committee shall make use of every available force to facilitate the success of the undertaking. To meet the demand for money, a legislative fund shall be secured, making it a special point to see the friends of this question outside of W. C. T. U. membership. Local suffrage workers, begin at once sending the money to the Treasurer of the Committee, Mrs. Whitson. Money paid out on order signed by Mrs. Tompkins and Mrs. Hann. We urge that the petition work be systematized as much as possible, canvassing by precincts and pushed vigorously.

Our Committee is all right—reliable, capable, diligent, persevering, wise—but we must co-operate. Some women have been appointed to certain places and duties. Will they feel their responsibility and write this Committee frequently, that they may have some idea of what is going on in the field about them? There may be men and women whose hearts are interested in this struggle. Consider yourselves appointed, circulate petitions, collect money, make donations and write the Committee. No work is as expensive as legislative work, and a W. C. T. U. treasury never has any surplus and we must not incur debt. Now will we have the faith to go and gather up the money which the Lord means we shall have for this special effort? Amen and amen.

#### THE MEDAL DEPARTMENT—WHAT NEXT?

A Suffrage Contest. Net proceeds, all or one-half, to go to the legislative fund to prosecute our legislative work for woman's enfranchisement. The Medal Department must distinguish itself in this respect. Which Medal Superintendent will hold the first contest? Which will send in the largest amount of money? Which will get a class of young men? These three shall each receive a valuable souvenir from the State Superintendent. To work! To work!

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent Medal Work.

#### ORGANIZATION.

While the legislative work is absorbing and imperative, the work of organization is the very foundation of everything and must go on. Local and county workers, please correspond with the Superintendent of this department, Mary E. Balch, 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis, and we can be mutually helpful. We need to know each other's plans, and we trust there is much planning for new Unions for additional organized counties. Our organizers desire to be kept busy, and no State in the Union has women better qualified than our own. They compare well with the National workers that come into our State, and being so much more familiar with our own plans and methods, are more desirable. For 100 new Unions this year and a gain of 1,500 new members!

MARY E. BALCH,  
Superintendent Department of Organization.

#### UNFERMENTED WINE

The securing of unfermented wine at communion in our churches by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union should be of the greatest interest to us. Dear sisters, we are banded together for the Master's work. Let us see to it that our dear Lord is not wounded in the house of his professed followers by the use of alcoholic wine at the communion table. The cup of blessing, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? Ye can not drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of devils. Christ's blood shed for the remission of sin could not contain a poison for both soul and body. So, dear co-workers, let us labor to free every church in this State from this sin. Appoint superintendents in every Union; visit the churches; talk to the pastors and members; get the sisters to prepare the cup of blessing so that no alcohol may be offered at our Lord's table. Dear local workers, we appeal to you for help in this department and hope and trust we shall not only find you willing but earnest workers for the dear Master. If the local superintendent will just think for one moment she will see that all reports for county, State and National must come from local workers. God bless our faithful women in our Union. Let me give you just an idea on work. It is true that to-day God's children are influenced by the Pauline plea as they were not in the past? Expedience will move them to remove alcoholic wine from the Lord's table when they are not convinced of the two wine theory of the Bible. These are the ones who sometimes grow careless or indifferent. Push the good work and report. God bless and keep you.

Questions, I hope, will be answered by both county and local Unions: How many sermons secured on this department of our work? At how many county conventions has this department of work been presented? Have you used the columns of your county and local papers in the work? At how many meetings, public or parlor, has the literature of this department been used? How many churches in your vicinity use unfermented wine at the Lord's table? Have you circulated the communion wine pledge at any of the churches? Have you made it a subject of prayer at your meetings?

JULIET R. WOOD.

711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis.

#### PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Again I come to you in earnest appeal for your co-operation in the Department of Peace and Arbitration, not claiming that it is the most important of all our departments, but that it is of vast importance, and that this is the especial hour for agitation and education on this subject. Our work is all for God and Home and Native Land, and just now we are confronted with a growth of military spirit and military rule that can

only work danger to our homes and detriment to our country. The interests then of home and country demand that by careful study of this subject we may be able to understand the real import of this military craze and may intelligently oppose it. To this end I appeal to County Presidents to see that each county has a Superintendent of Department of Peace and Arbitration and invite such Superintendents to correspond with me, that we may help one another in this line of work. The few counties in which this department is organized did creditable work the past year, but what could we not do if all were enlisted in this "peaceful war?"

How good it would be to be able to report a Peace meeting held somewhere in each number of *The Message* through this year. Shall we not try? Yours for that blessed time

When man to man the world o'er  
Shall brothers be for all that.

H. LAVINIA BAILEY,  
Superintendent.

**ORGANIZING UNION**—It was a plan of Mrs. Balch that each Union should make an effort to organize other Unions. Remembering this, Mrs. Steckle and Mrs. Boyer, the committee, had the idea incorporated in Clinton County's Plan of Work. As a result of this plan, Clinton County has another new Union. It was organized at Manson by the Jefferson Union and begins work with seventeen members, four of whom are honoraries. Several others have signified their intention of joining the Union.

The Willard Union of Frankfort had been working in co-operation with the county Prohibition chairman toward the organization of a Union at Manson. A program had been arranged and the plan was to hold a meeting and then organize. While awaiting word from the chairman as to the time to go, it was learned that Jefferson had gone in ahead and organized and Willard was one day too late. While Mrs. Boyer is a little disappointed that Willard Union is not the mother of the new one, she is quite proud of the fact that she is its grandmother, as the Jefferson Union is her child.

#### PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Mrs. Lavinia Bailey, our State Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration, writes:

I find in a recent address of Mrs. Josephine E. Butler these strong and hopeful words, which I feel like passing on to some of you who stand as watchmen on the tower.

Mrs. Butler says:

"Do you ask me, am I discouraged? No, I am not. I have never been discouraged, and never shall be. \* \* \* Every one who puts her hand to this work, or any work of righteousness, is a fellow worker with God, bringing nearer the time when He will give us victory all along the line. But the manifestation of His power is not for the future only; it is for to-day, for to-morrow—for all the days and for all the years, if only we have faith enough to claim it."

#### THE PRESS.

Our department has made wonderful progress during the past year. The women are learning more and more to appreciate the great value of keeping the reading public informed in regard to the great work being carried on by our organization. The press of our State can be made one of our most powerful allies. Whether or not this be so depends largely upon our own women. For the most part the editors are willing and anxious to publish our items, often more willing than the women are to supply the material. I most earnestly entreat that no editor be permitted this year to offer in vain the use of his columns. We can not afford to refuse to accept a helping hand held out to us. It is the universal testimony that the press has helped the general work of the Union wherever it has been used; therefore no Union should be without a press superintendent. Let me urge every superintendent to keep careful account of her work, in order that she may have full credit for all that she does. Will the county superintendents please send in quarterly reports and urge their locals to do the same? Send next report to me by December 15th. The following questions are to be answered:

How many local superintendents in your county? From how many have you received systematic reports of work accomplished? How many Unions have more than one press superintendent? How many papers published in your county? How many supplied with W. C. T. U. matter? How many daily papers take our items? Weekly, religious, reform, agricultural, miscellaneous? How many columns of matter furnished? What proportion original? How many superintendents take the *Union Signal*? *Message*? How many send items to the *Message*? How many newspaper offices supplied with *Union Signal*? *Message*? What efforts have been made toward the purification of the press in your county? What success has attended the efforts?

Will every county superintendent please send in her name to me as soon as she is appointed? Also locals in counties where there is no county officer? I will cheerfully answer all inquiries in regard to the work of this department.

FLORENCE E. VANCE,  
208 E. Walnut Street, Frankfort. Superintendent.

#### COMMUNICATIONS.

**MAPLETON**—The cosy house of Mr. and Mrs. McClintock was given to the ladies of Mapleton W. C. T. U. and their guests on the night of the 22d for a reception to new members and an echo meeting from the National. Much to our regret, through the inclemency of the weather, many were not able to attend who had expected to do so. We were proud to have with us

for the evening our State President, Mrs. McWhirter, and her husband, also our State Treasurer, Mrs. Whitson.

Miss Mattie Hale had charge of the music and rendered a fine solo, which was greatly appreciated. The Indiana song was divided, the Union singing first two verses, the Ys the third, L. T. L. the last, and then giving their salute and rah and thus we worked all in.

The report of the National, given by Mrs. McWhirter, was fine, but it was when she touched on her own favorite theme that the deep thought and eloquent words aroused the hearts and minds of her hearers and rapt attention was given to every word that fell from her lips and so glad to have heard her. I did not understand this was that way, and so it is our people do not understand the great and grand teachings of the W. C. T. U., but we say come again and we will do you good.

Mrs. Whitson spoke of the great work represented at the National done in our Sunday school and spoke of the great need of pushing this work with the children. Mr. McWhirter had a pleasant word for all and we enjoyed having him with us.

Mr. Risley, pastor of Mapleton M. E. church, was then introduced to the Union as a new member and made a few impressive remarks, in which he said he greatly desired to be on the right side. Also Mr. J. A. Bailey, a Prohibitionist of several years' standing, became a member, for which we greatly rejoice. Several new names were secured for the Ys and then cream and cake were served, to which all did ample justice.

Following is an extract from the letter received by our State Corresponding Secretary from Mrs. D. L. Smith of Bluffton upon her receipt of the life sized portrait of Miss Willard as a prize for efficiency as County Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Smith not being present at the State Convention, the prize was taken by her white ribbon sisters, who presented it to her at a meeting of the union:

BLUFFTON, Oct. 14, 1898.

It becomes my pleasant privilege to make acknowledgments to you and the remainder of the staff of officers of the W. C. T. U. of the State of Indiana for the very lovely tribute of affection which was bestowed upon me at the recent convention.

I feel that my poor effort to be faithful to my trust is not worthy of such recognition. I had no idea of competing for the prize, and was treated to a complete surprise this afternoon when the picture of our promoted leader was presented to me at the meeting of our local union. I think I can safely say it was the first time when words failed me. I can scarcely yet realize that I am the happy possessor of the copied features of the queen of women. I feel certain that I shall feel inspired to do better work when I study the face which carried a rift of sunshine into thousands of sad hearts, made sad by the rum traffic and its attendant immoralities.

#### SUMMARY OF THE WEEK'S WORK BY THE LOOGOOTEE W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Bullock, the National Organizer, has come and gone and we feel that much good has been done, and the results are far reaching. Six evening addresses were given, three parlor meetings were held. Two days of convention work and one address before the city public schools upon Scientific Temperance. Twenty-one new members were welcomed into the Union and a Senior L. T. L. organized, with Mary Pearl Wood as Superintendent, with a membership of seventeen. A Junior L. T. L. of 39 children under ten years of age was organized, in charge of the "Y" branch of the Union, consisting of twenty-two members, two different girls to have charge of the class each month. Printed programs have been arranged for nine months. Georgiana Moser, Superintendent of Y branch. Twenty-one boys signed the pledge, who are not members of the L. T. L. Our young people are nobly standing for temperance.

Mrs. Allie Anderson spent a few days at Atlanta. She held meetings and did effective house to house visiting. Eight members were added to the Union.

At one public meeting the collection was not taken for the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Anderson announced that if any one present desired to contribute to our cause they could do so at the close of the meeting. One envelope was received which contained a five dollar bill, and another containing one dollar. This woman certainly has power to reach the hearts of the people.

#### MISSES VINCENT AND CUMMINGS.

—Our newly-appointed 'round-the-world missionaries—two Australian women—are in this country, and it is their plan to give some time to your State. Their terms make it possible for the smallest and most needy Union, as well as others, to secure their services, and any Union failing to avail themselves of this great opportunity of increasing their strength and numbers will make a great mistake. They are fine speakers, consecrated workers and always do a grand work. May every blessing come to you through them.

JESSIE ACKERMAN,  
World's Missionary.

—Unions desiring the services of these sisters will please write immediately to our State Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis, Ind.

—Miss Georgiana Moser, of Loogootee, State Superintendent of Literature, has published a very instructive and helpful leaflet containing a plan of work which should be in the hands of every literature superintendent. This same earnest worker has devised a very unique program for a Progressive Conversation Party. Copies to be placed in the hands of each guest with a pencil. Before the game begins partners are secured, which change each time the bell rings. These programs can be secured of Miss Moser at the rate of thirty for ten cents.



—Marion County Executive voted to meet the first Saturday of each month at the White Ribbon House.

—Is every member of your Union a subscriber to the *Message*? If not, can you not make it so by Christmas?

—South Bend, Colfax Avenue Union: President, Daisy D. Shoutz; Vice President, Emma Pridmore; Secretary, Ida Smith; Treasurer, Emma Linard.

—Mapleton Union is the first to raise \$5 towards Marion county's pledge fund for Hadley.

—The Young People's Union of Carmel, Hamilton county, was organized May 3, 1898. Through the influence of this enthusiastic organization Carmel now has a curfew ordinance and bell, which is proving to be a great benefit. Is this not worth our organizing, if we do nothing more?

—Jefferson is circulating and getting signatures to the suffrage petition.



HADLEY SCHOOL TRUSTEES DIRECTORY.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia avenue, Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Mary J. Flick, Vice President, Lawrence, Ind.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Socwell, Corresponding Secretary, 840 N. New Jersey street, Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple, Ind.  
Mrs. Louise Waldner, LaPorte, Ind.  
Mrs. Anna Johnston, Fairmount, Grant County, Ind.  
Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, Amo, Hendricks County, Ind.  
Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind.  
Mrs. G. P. Stanton, 443 E. Tenth street, Indianapolis.

#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

Three days spent in the Home have been occupied in looking into its home-workings and superintending the placing of a force pump in the laundry room. This pump is to draw water from the outside cistern in sufficient quantities for laundry work and bath tubs until better facilities can be afforded for proper bath room. Peace and plenty continue to reign in all departments. General good health prevails among the girls and officers in charge. The day-school has added a feature of interest. The beautiful chapel has been transformed into a beautiful, commodious, modern school room equipped with desks, blackboards, boxes of word-builders, etc., as used in the public schools throughout the State. We propose to carry forward the State outline of studies, as do all the public schools of the State. There are twenty-two girls now in attendance, this being the total number in the Home, but several more are expected soon. The teacher, Miss Cora Angell, is a faithful, loyal worker.

The Board of Trustees is making earnest effort to secure a portion of the public school fund to support our school. Our present Superintendent of Public Instruction thinks we are entitled to it, while the local officers do not so understand it. So the effort must continue.

The estimated corn crop is 500 bushels, which was raised by our young-man-farmer, who is now gathering and storing it into the cribs.

And now, dear sisters, we want you to know that our burdens have been greatly lightened by your sympathy as expressed by your liberal pledges given at the State Convention. When these pledges are realized, and we are free from debt, with running expenses provided for, a new ERA will be opened to this institution.

Mrs. Hannars will speak to you through the columns of the *MESSAGE*. Loyally, yours for Hadley.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

Dear Sisters.

I had hoped to meet you at the State Convention, and speak with you face to face, but was disappointed. I will do the next best thing, write to you. We now have twenty-two girls in our Home. We devote Friday afternoon to sewing. Dear sisters, I believe many of you would like to help in this good work, and let me suggest to you how you may help us. First, by following the example of the Peru Union, that sent us a barrel of canned fruit. Many thanks to them for their thoughtfulness. A bolt of dark gingham to make the girls work aprons, would be appreciated very much, also a bolt of toweling. Some times when I write to Unions, it is a long time before they have a meeting and a longer time before they have any money. Cast off clothing would be very acceptable. The girls are learning to make their own clothing, and take great interest in making over clothes. We are all very well at this writing, and have a great deal to be thankful for not having had to call a physician in the two years past, that I have been here. If you decide to send us anything, please include some quilt scraps for the little girls to learn to sew on. The

reason that we ask for fruit is that we think it necessary to health. We put up all the fruit that we could afford to buy. We have a fine lot of fruit trees put out, and some that we hope will soon bear.

Our good and kind President has been out for several days getting some permanent work done in the laundry, and conveniences for winter. Your sincere worker,  
CLORINDA J. HANNARS,  
Superintendent.

My Dear Miss Hobart:

Our teacher wishes us to write a letter to some one. I am well. Thanksgiving will soon be here and I will be glad of it. I like to go to school and I like our teacher. I think she is very nice. But sometimes she makes me stay in if I am bad. I don't like it very well. I like the children and I think they are nice. We have twenty-two girls now. I like Mrs. Hannars and Aunt Nan and Mr. Burke. I think they are nice. I like to stay at the Home. I think it is a nice place for the little girls that have no home. They are kind to them here. I go to Sunday School every Sunday and to church, and I think it is nice. I hope I will grow up to be a good lady and help get good homes for little girls. I am studying reading, writing, arithmetic and music. We have cows, horses, pigs and chickens here.

Your loving friend,

JULIA BOLTON.

(10 years old, in Second Grade.)

#### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.

##### RECEIPTS—DUES.

Geneva.....\$0 50	Pendleton.....\$6 00
Hoagland.....3 50	“ Y.....4 50
Ft. Wayne, Willard. 2 00	Frankton.....3 50
Harlan.....2 00	Ind'p's, Meridian...14 50
Petersville.....4 00	“ North East. 50
Columbus.....5 50	“ Tarlton.....3 00
Hope.....1 50	“ Y.....1 00
Oxford.....3 00	“ South East. 3 00
Boswell.....3 00	“ Wallace.....3 00
Otterbein.....18 50	“ Central.....5 50
Otterbein Y.....4 00	“ Y.....1 00
Oxford Y.....3 60	“ Mapleton.... 50
Hartford City.....5 00	“ Lucy Thur-
Montpelier.....4 00	man (col).....2 50
Milgrove.....2 50	West Indianapolis.. 4 00
Thorntown.....5 00	Valley Mills.....1 00
Zionsville.....1 00	Irvington.....1 00
Lebanon.....50	Center.....50
Logansport, Central 10 50	Bridgeport.....3 00
“ W. Side 2 50	Broad Ripple.....3 00
Galveston.....1 00	Plymouth.....2 50
Lucerne.....4 00	Bourbon.....1 50
Brazil.....5 00	Argos.....3 00
Frankfort.....12 50	Shoals.....3 00
“ Willard.....10 00	Loogootee.....4 00
Mulberry.....2 50	Hindostan.....1 00
Rossville.....2 00	Bloomington.....6 50
Sedalia.....50	Martinsville.....5 50
Jefferson.....2 00	“ Y.....1 50
Alton.....3 00	Morgantown.....1 50
Montgomery.....1 00	Mooresville.....1 50
Dillsboro.....8 50	Brooklyn.....1 50
Mooreshill.....5 00	Monrovia.....8 00
Greensburg.....19 50	Goodland.....1 50
West Port.....2 00	Albion.....3 50
Waterloo.....1 00	La Otta.....2 00
Eaton.....5 00	Ligonier.....3 00
Albany.....3 50	Wawaka.....1 00
Muncie.....2 50	Bloomington.....4 00
Hillsboro.....4 00	Tobinsport.....2 50
Birch Creek.....4 00	Petersburg.....2 00
Jasper.....50	Valparaiso.....4 00
Goshen.....5 00	Hebron.....2 38
Goshen Y.....7 50	Cynthiana.....50
Nappanee.....9 00	Mt. Vernon.....1 50
Middlebury.....1 00	Medaryville.....2 50
Bristol.....50	Francesville.....1 00
Elkhart.....9 50	Greencastle.....2 00
Wakarusa.....2 50	Union City.....50
Covington.....5 00	New Pittsburg.....3 00
Brookville.....2 00	Cedar.....7 00
Princeton.....4 00	Modoc.....5 00
Upland.....8 00	Manilla.....2 00
Deer Creek.....5 00	Milroy.....4 00
Fairmount.....11 00	Carthage.....2 50
South Marion.....2 50	Shelbyville.....10 00
Back Creek.....50	Morristown.....2 00
Marion.....9 00	Angola.....2 00
Jonesboro.....50	Freemont.....50
Oak Ridge.....3 50	Ashley.....1 50
Mary Hadley.....2 00	Pleasant Lake.....5 00
Worthington.....2 00	Ray.....4 00
Plummer.....1 00	South Bend, Central 5 50
Westfield.....6 50	“ Colfax ave 2 50
Carmel.....2 50	“ North Side 50
Carmel Y.....5 00	LaFayette.....29 50
Atlanta.....3 50	East LaFayette.....3 00
Western Grove.....2 00	Central LaFayette.. 5 50
Greenfield.....1 50	Romney.....50
Coatesville.....2 00	Stockwell.....50
Mill Creek.....1 00	College Corner.....3 50
Fairfield.....4 00	Liberty.....3 50
Avon.....3 00	Bath, Willard.....3 50
Hadley.....1 00	Evansville.....9 00
Spiceland.....3 50	Lamasco.....2 00
New Castle.....1 25	Dana.....4 00
Greensboro.....1 50	“ Y.....2 00
Kennard.....50	Terre Haute, Central 2 00
West Middleton.....1 50	“ Thurman 1 00
Kokomo.....7 50	Wabash.....22 50
New London.....50	South Wabash.....75
Lindley.....2 00	North Manchester.. 8 00
Greentown.....3 00	Wabash, colored.... 4 00

Huntington.....\$4 00	Fredericksburg.....\$1 00
Red Key.....2 00	Hardinsburg.....4 50
Pennville.....10 00	Livonia.....2 50
North Vernon.....50	Richmond, Willard.. 8 80
Franklin.....3 00	“ M.F. Thomas 14 00
Freelandville.....2 00	Fountain City.....2 00
Vincennes.....12 00	Centerville.....2 00
Crown Point.....3 00	Boston.....50
Michigan City.....7 50	Bluffton.....6 50
Westville.....1 00	Ossian.....50
LaPorte.....26 00	Burnett's Creek.....1 00
Bedford.....2 50	Monon.....2 75
Anderson.....11 50	Wolcott.....5 00
Anderson Y.....4 50	Reynolds.....1 50
Lapel.....5 00	Chalmers.....1 50
Elwood, Willard.....2 50	Churubusco.....2 50
“ Brehm.....2 00	Columbia City.....1 00
“ Y.....2 00	South Whitley.....2 00
Alexandria.....1 50	

Cash on hand July 1st.....	\$123 38
Sale of Annual Reports.....	25 98
“ Willard buttons.....	35 25
“ Fair Cottage supplies.....	2 85
“ Literature.....	60
“ Order and receipt books.....	3 35
Stirring Campaign.....	5 00
Convention Fund.....	5 50
Department Fund.....	1 00
County dues.....	3 00
L. T. L. dues.....	33 94
Total.....	\$1,024 88

##### DISBURSEMENTS.

National dues.....	\$157 05
Y dues.....	23 09
State L T L. dues.....	16 97
National “.....	36 02
Willard buttons.....	11 49
Organization.....	24 82
Balance due MESSAGE fund.....	1 84
Convention badges.....	15 00
Printing.....	26 00
Railroad agent.....	11 00
State Superintendents.....	61 00
Literature.....	4 00
President's appropriation.....	25 00
“ postage.....	18 60
“ supplies.....	4 94
“ expenses to National Executive....	9 60
Vice-President's postage.....	2 68
“ traveling expenses.....	3 70
Corresponding Secretary's appropriation.....	144 00
“ postage.....	16 39
“ supplies.....	13 58
Recording Secretary's appropriation.....	5 00
“ postage.....	2 25
“ supplies.....	65
Treasurer's appropriation.....	68 75
“ postage.....	16 00
“ supplies.....	2 32
Hadley School fund.....	5 00
Deficit on 97 Convention Badges.....	5 00
Balance on hand.....	293 14
Total.....	\$1,024 88

AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

In memory of Mrs. Mary Behymer, beloved sister and treasurer of the Indianapolis North-East Union who departed this life on November 19.

As it has pleased our dear Heavenly Father to call from our midst this beloved sister, we, as a Union, tender the bereaved family our love and sympathy in this hour of sorrow and bereavement.

In the death of this sister the Union has lost a noble, earnest worker—there is a vacant place in our Union and a vacancy no one can fill. Sister Behymer was a lovely woman, always presenting a Christian life and never tired in the work for the Master.

Our Union on earth is broken, but one more tie is added to the Union in Heaven where the little white bow is changed to the white robe. We will meet her there if we are true and pure in heart. Her last words were, “I am going home.”

TILLIE MORRIS,  
Secretary.

#### OAK RIDGE W. C. T. U.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His all-wise providence, to place on our dear sister, Anna Johnson, the hand of affliction in the death of her son, Earnest Johnson.

WHEREAS, We realize for her and family those pleasant meetings and kindly greetings are over until the joyous reunion on the celestial shore.

Resolved, That in this mysterious dispensation of Divine Providence, we extend to her and family our heartfelt sympathy and bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, also published in the *Message* and our local paper.

MARY CANDY,  
JENNIE NEALE,  
CARRIE HAINLEY,  
Committee.

#### PICTURES OF FRANCES E. WILLARD.

Aquarelle Tint.....	\$0.35
Dark picture, board.....	40
“ “ enamel paper.....	10
Light “ board.....	40
“ “ enamel paper.....	10
Etchings.....	2.00

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Neal Dow Picture.....	15
Parliamentary Rules.....	
Frances E. Willard Pledge, each.....	03
50 for 25 cents, 100 for.....	1.00
On Heights of Power. Song by Frances E. Willard and Lady Henry Somerset.....	35
Photographs, Cabinet.....	25
“ Large.....	35
Memorial number <i>Union Signal</i> .....	05
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"Not by Might Nor  
By Power,  
But by My Spirit"

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"Woman's Cause Shall Win."—*White Ribbon Hymnal, Page 101.*  
Tune—Auld Lang Syne.

The conflict deepens o'er the land;  
'Tis one of woman's might,  
And she is firmly moving on  
To battle for the right;  
Once more her voice rings clearly out,  
To lift the race from sin,  
And who can fail to plainly see,  
That woman's cause shall win?  
The clans of liquor ne'er have met  
Such wondrous foe before;  
And they are busy canvassing  
The prospect o'er and o'er.  
Yet, view the question as they may,  
Thro' whisky, beer or gin,  
They must confess the truth at last,  
That woman's cause shall win.  
Man boasts that he controls the world  
With mighty hand and brain;  
But woman's heart is mightier far—  
'Tis heart at last shall reign.  
The one is selfish at the best:  
The other is akin  
To heaven itself, and that is why  
That woman's cause shall win.

## WOMAN'S CAUSE SHALL WIN. WOMAN'S BALLOT WOULD ABOLISH THE ARMY CANTEEN.

May you all resolve to make this our greatest year  
in love and labor for God and Home and Humanity.

Arise, Christian women, and ask for the ballot to  
protect your homes. How many names have you se-  
cured to your suffrage petition? Distribute leaflets  
and other literature on Franchise, agitate, educate.

The *Union Signal* and the *MESSAGE* one year, for  
\$1.10. To ministers, the *Union Signal* and the *MES-*  
*SAGE*, for one year, 75 cents. The *MESSAGE* and the  
*New Crusade*, for one year, for 70 cents, for all sub-  
scriptions sent to Mrs. A. T. Whitson before March 1st.

Ask influential men and women to write personal  
letters to the members of the General Assembly from  
your county, urging them to support our woman's  
cause.

The following committee was elected at the State  
Convention, to have charge of the Suffrage campaign:  
Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Chairman; Mrs. A. T. Whitson,  
Treasurer; and Mrs. Lizzie Hann was asked to serve  
as Secretary. Mrs. Whitson resigned on account of  
pressure of other duties. Mrs. Hattie Brand was  
chosen to serve in her place.

Send all Suffrage petitions to Mrs. Lizzie Hann,  
2129 Collage avenue, Indianapolis.

Send all money for Suffrage work to Mrs. Hattie  
Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

Miss Marie Brehm, National Superintendent of  
Franchise, will speak in the Friends church, Indian-  
apolis, on Sunday, January 15th, morning and  
evening. Miss Brehm has won many friends in this  
city, and she is an earnest, forceful speaker, who has  
the courage of her convictions. All White Ribboners  
and friends of temperance in the city and suburbs are  
invited to be present. Go early in order to secure a  
good seat.

If the *MESSAGE* does not reach you by the 10th of  
each month please notify the business manager at  
once. It is greatly desired that every subscriber  
should receive every copy. Many new clubs have been  
sent in. Many more are needed. A large number of  
former subscribers have renewed, for which we are  
very thankful. Every member should be a subscriber.  
Push the work during this month, and if possible make  
your list equal your membership. Some Unions have  
voted to take 25 cents from the local membership dues  
and send for the *MESSAGE*, thus making every member  
a subscriber. Can the 25 cents advance local work  
any faster than by using it in some other way? Every  
woman should be up-to-date in our entire State work.  
Without the State paper she cannot be informed upon  
State work. Do not fail to urge the *Union Signal* also.  
Only \$1.10 for both papers,

## FROM OUR L. T. L. SECRETARY.

A Happy New Year to Indiana's faithful soldiers  
in the battle for right against the licensed liquor traffic.  
God bless and keep you. "For hereunto were ye called,  
because Christ also suffered for you, leaving an exam-  
ple, that ye should follow in his steps."

Through this medium I wish to thank all those  
kind friends who assisted in making it possible for me  
as L. T. L. delegate to attend the National Conven-  
tion at St. Paul. I hope to be able to transmit through-  
out the state the inspiration and benefit received from  
intercourse and interchange of thought obtained at  
this wonderful gathering.

Later, I will send personal letters to all, giving  
plans of work for the year. Let us try for the honors  
of a delegate to the next National, which means dues  
into the national treasury. AMANDA R. GORDON,  
Argos, Ind.

## L. T. L. AT STUARTSVILLE.

Whole number enrolled 51, seniors 12, juniors 39;  
whole number of regular meetings 28, whole number  
of attendance 711, average attendance 25 $\frac{3}{8}$ . Ten pub-  
lic meetings held at the church the first Sunday night  
of each month, consisting of literary program, always  
having a good attendance. Collections amounting to  
\$2 89. We had a picnic on the 4th of July, clearing  
several dollars. We treated the L. T. L. children to  
ice cream. At the regular meeting the children are  
divided into three classes and three young ladies assist  
as teachers.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, National Superintendent of  
Franchise, is again in Indiana. This gifted and tal-  
ented woman needs no introduction in our state, as she  
has for three or four years past spent weeks and months  
with us. Unions have engaged her services over and  
over again. No higher compliment can be paid to a  
speaker. Miss Brehm remains with us during Janu-  
ary and February; most of that time is already taken.  
Any other unions desiring to engage her, please corres-  
pond with me at once for terms and dates. Unions  
will not regret securing her services. Indiana would  
be glad to claim her as her own, but Mother National  
has first claim. AMANDA T. WHITSON.  
3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

## MONTHLY LETTER FROM OUR STATE OR- GANIZER, MRS. MATTIE O. COMMACK.

I came home from the southern part of the state  
the 17th of September and with the exception of the  
time spent at National and State Conventions and a  
week in Wabash county, the time has been spent in  
Grant county. The 28th of November I packed my  
grip and stepped over to Wabash and was met by Mrs.  
Kidd, who drove with me six miles into the country in  
the face of a blinding snow storm, where we presented  
the cause of protection for the home by woman's  
ballot. The audience was small, but intelligent and  
thoughtful, and every brother who came up to shake  
hands said, "It is right the women should have the  
ballot." After the meeting we drove back to Wabash-  
to be ready for next day's work.

The morning of the 29th the members of the Wa-  
bash Union began to call about 8:30, and kept coming  
until eleven. Each one coming at the hour most con-  
venient for her, and many little pleasant chats were  
had concerning the line of work that was nearest each  
woman's heart.

After an early dinner we started for our next ap-  
pointment at Lincolnville. They were expecting us.  
The large, successful Loyal Temperance Legion, that  
carried off two of our state banners, did the singing for  
us and it was well done. Lincolnville is ready for a  
union and Mrs. Kidd will organize shortly. It was a  
cold ten mile drive back to Wabash the next morning,  
but we reached the south side about noon and was

warmly welcomed by Mrs. King, who gave us our din-  
ner, which was very much appreciated. A mother's  
meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Malott. In the  
evening we again presented the subject of woman's en-  
franchisement, which was agreeably received. Per-  
haps speaking in a Friend's church where most men  
already believed in the ballot for women, made it  
easy for both speaker and audience. From Wabash  
we went on to North Manchester, where there is more  
than a score of valiant White Ribboners. They have  
divided themselves into two sections and the section  
that gains the most new members is to be banqueted  
by the other section. Some of our appointments near  
Manchester failed, but the time was put in, in Man-  
chester. The minister of the Christian church allowed  
us the pulpit twice and our preaching did not seem  
to interfere with the revival services at all. We at-  
tended a Teacher's Institute on Saturday in Manchester  
and presented the cause of Scientific Temperance. On  
the whole Wabash county is making great strides.  
They hope to double their membership this year.

Grant county is wide awake, as usual. One new  
Union and another one forming. Marion, Central and  
South Side both increasing in membership and good  
workers. They spelled against each other, and had  
quite an interesting time, and each added a mite to  
their treasuries. South Side won the victory. They  
are brag spellers.

Each Union is holding Mother's Meetings, with in-  
teresting programs, after which they serve refresh-  
ments, take a silver offering, and distribute literature.  
It takes the full receipt to make a perfect Mother's  
Meeting. Upland and south Marion have each special  
opportunities. South Marion has the Normal College,  
with its 500 students, and Upland, Taylor University,  
with near 200. These young people must be brought  
into line. The temperance and prohibition sentiment  
is very good at Upland, and the young prohibition  
preachers and the W. C. T. U. are turning the ways of  
the wicked up side down.

The students of the Normal College have been  
giving some splendid temperance theatricals, which  
are greatly appreciated by the public.

Clubs for the *MESSAGE* are being made in all the  
Unions, and the paper is very much liked indeed. One  
President wrote and said, hurrah! hurrah! for the  
*MESSAGE*. Isn't it fine? Suffrage number excellent."

The County Executive met in November and added  
two weeks to the two that had been given previous to  
our field workers, and a part of the time was spent  
in attending Teacher's Institute, and placing the fol-  
lowing plan before them: Each teacher in the town-  
ships will offer a premium for the best essay on Scien-  
tific Temperance in his school. Then the W. C. T. U.  
will form a class in each township with the winners  
from each school, and give a premium for the best  
essay on the same subject, and then the County Super-  
intendent of Public Instruction takes the winner from  
each township and gives a third premium for the best  
essay on the same subject. Of course, new productions  
are to be prepared for each contest. Teachers and  
Superintendent are in sympathy with the plan.

We went over to Jalapa, the Indian reservation,  
spoke in the public schools, and lectured at night  
on Scientific Temperance, and the natives were some-  
what surprised. Did not know there was so much in  
the temperance question, and warmly invited us back.

The Suffrage petition is being circulated in the  
county, and few refuse to sign it.

Mrs. Wilson, our most efficient President, is eager  
to increase the membership of the county to 500, and  
we think more than likely we will do it.

Of the good things this county is doing, there is no  
end. Go thou and do likewise. M. O. COMMACK.

Crown Point has 3000 inhabitants, fourteen saloons,  
and one W. C. T. U. with twenty-four members.





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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### ORGANIZATION.

I am pondering over the problem each day, all the spare time I have, planning and re-planning, looking over the largeness of the field, studying the hindrances and praying for the women to have a burden on this point, too. Such a heavy burden that they will write me at once and say how can we plan to reach this town or that town? Telling me what they can do and asking if I can supplement their efforts and so accomplish the desired end—organize a union. Dear sister, as you read these few lines I pray the subject of organization will come over you like a burning fever that you cannot escape from except you organize and write me your plans and wishes. MARY E. BALCH, Superintendent of the Department of Organization.

### CONTEST PREMIUMS FOR 1899.

Beginning January 1st, 1899, and closing October 1st, 1899. The county that holds the most diamond contests, a flag that no one will be ashamed to carry on any gala day. The county may go outside of its own imaginary wall of boundary lines to make the classes if they have the enterprise to do so, but the county taking the premium for most diamond contests cannot also count itself entitled to the premiums for grand gold and small gold contests.

The county holding the greatest number of grand gold contests (and the number must exceed four) shall have a free diamond medal. If there should be a tie between two or more counties we will cast lots. The county holding the greatest number of small gold contests (and the number must exceed five) shall have a free grand gold medal; and if there is a tie between two or more counties we will cast lots.

Now, in justice to the young people and in justice to the system and the best interests of the cause, do let the medal workers reach out this year and not be satisfied with always holding silver contests. We should be ambitious for our young people to graduate in this department and receive their diploma. Read carefully the conditions and go to work. Counties in grand gold and small gold work need not go outside of their county lines; and in the diamond work, if Grant county should call on Marion county for a contestant to fill the class, and Marion county representatives brought the medal home, the credit would go to Marion county.

"In love preferring one another," must be the spirit and motto of our service.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

### SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

As I have just returned home from a trip to the northern part of the State, taken after the State Convention at LaFayette, I hasten to send a greeting to you at the beginning of this, another year's work. I would say to all of my local and county superintendents, Let us never weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not. We are doing well when we are trying to extend God's plan of finance. Truly, it is the only plan that "works well." Can we not create a great enthusiasm in regard to our department work this year in all the counties in the State? I desire that all of you seek to gain the promise of every minister you meet that he will preach a sermon on this subject in his pulpit. Each of you can do this, and I believe if the ministers present the matter to

their people great good will be accomplished for our Master, because when the people adopt this rule of giving, Christian work will not be so hindered on account of finances. By January, at least, I expect to have some new tracts on our work ready for you, which I trust will be very helpful. Now, please keep an exact account of literature distributed, meetings held, and sermons and addresses on the work, so you can give good reports. I wish all the county superintendents would require quarterly reports from the local superintendents. I believe by so doing our department work would show greater advancement, because the work would thus be kept well in hand all the year. Will be glad to hear from all of you telling me about your plans for work this year. S. M. SHELTON, State Superintendent.

### HEALTH, HEREDITY, PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Our aim in this department is to educate the people in this scientific phase of our W. C. T. U. work. To this end I urge each superintendent to ask ministers to preach on some text from the Bible that pertains to the preservation of the body in order to do God's work. A good text is found in Romans 12:1. You will find ministers glad to do it. They will become interested, and may be induced through this means to become members. See that your ministers and teachers have literature on this subject. See that some one presents the subject to Teachers' Institutes.

Let every superintendent send me her name and address, that I may know who she is, in order to help her in this department. I will send programs and printed matter to anyone interested enough to urge her Union to hold at least one meeting this year in this department. Questions to be answered: 1. How many such meetings held? 2. How many sermons preached? 3. How many Teachers' Institutes addressed? 4. To how many W. C. T. U. county conventions presented some phase of this subject? I will send more plans through these columns later on. Subscribe for the MESSAGE and you will find them. CLARA AGNES BOYD.

Rockville, Ind.

### NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

I should like every county to appoint a Superintendent for the Department of non-Alcoholic Medication, and report the same to me as soon as she is appointed. This being a new department in our State it will require some little effort on the part of every one to get the work under headway in each locality. Let every Union hold at least one meeting during the year in the interest of non-Alcoholic Medication, read papers, distribute literature, etc. We must educate our own people. When the names and addresses of Superintendents are sent to me I will communicate with each one as to methods of work. I would be glad to have Corresponding Secretaries or County Presidents report any work done in counties where there are no Superintendents of this department.

Hoping to hear from every county in the State early in the year, I am truly yours,

LOUISA F. J. SMITH,  
State Superintendent.  
Wabash, Ind.

### NARCOTICS.

The year we have entered so prayerfully, so hopefully and so zealously, is now well under way. Are we standing firm, or are we encouraged or discouraged, as circumstances seem favorable or unfavorable? Surely the fight we have entered is a good one, and is worth many prayers, many tears, and much work.

I hope this year that we can get our work more thoroughly organized. This we can do easily if each one does her part. Blanks for quarterly reports have been sent to all whose names have been reported to me. Let each County Superintendent get from the local Unions each quarter some form of report that she can use in reporting to me. If we carefully follow this plan our State report next year will be fuller and show more clearly what Indiana has done.

I have constitutions for anti-Cigarette Leagues, which could be used in public schools. Write me for them and let us have many new leagues before next May.

Public opinion is much in advance of that of three years ago before the new law was introduced. Let us not loose ground, but keep the good work moving by circulating literature. MRS. PAULINE PITTINGER.

### INSTITUTES FOR 1899.

The very gratifying results reached in our Institute work the past year should encourage us to plan liberally for the work of 1899. The convenience and economy of the Schedule Plan, which has been re-endorsed by the State, make it possible for every county to hold an Institute at very moderate expense and have the

service of one or more State or National workers in addition to the able—though sometimes latent—local talent, which should without fail be utilized or developed.

A program of topics will appear in the next issue of the MESSAGE, together with a schedule of dates, places, workers and other details necessary to the success of the work. While we wait for it, how many will assist in preparing it by writing to the Superintendent and proposing subjects to be discussed, or new and helpful methods of presentation or other features to be carried out? Everybody is invited to do so, and especially county presidents and other county or local superintendents of Institute work. Now, let there be a landslide of subjects and suggestions for the advancement of the work—so great that we may not be able to include on the program or even to formally acknowledge a tithe of them. They will nevertheless be very gratefully received and carefully considered, and will help on the noble cause we all so much desire to promote.

Hoping to hear from you, please address me at Bloomingdale, Box 63. Also write the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Balch, at once that you are preparing to hold your Institute according to the plan adopted by the State, that she may place you in the schedule of dates, etc. Address her at 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis. Yours in service,

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.

### PLAN FOR PRIZE ESSAY CONTESTS IN THE SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE WORK.

Will you not please urge upon the attention of your Unions the necessity for and the benefit to be derived from prize essay contests on Scientific Temperance subjects?

Holidays are over. Fewer public and school entertainments are taken part in by the pupils than at any other season. The long stretch of unbroken work gives an excellent opportunity to work up these contests.

The plan is for each Union to offer a prize, perhaps a first and second, for the best essay upon an assigned subject, having them read in public or submitted to private judges. Where it is possible to have a public reading of the essays, more than the expenses can usually be made by charging a small admittance fee. Then let the county offer a prize and the different Unions send their prize winners to contest in this, also. A most excellent entertainment can be arranged by interspersing music or adding a few good declamations if the class is small.

The following is offered as a suggestive outline for an essay, which, together with the rules, can be changed to suit the Union or Superintendent having the work in charge. Ask your teacher to make them known in the schools and have them printed in your local papers:

Subject—"The Evil Effects of Alcohol and Narcotics."

1. Their nature.
2. Their manufacture and sale.
3. (a) Their effects on the human body.  
(b) Their effects on the human mind.  
(c) Their effects on the moral character.
4. Their effects on the home and society.
5. The cost of caring for its victims.

Rules for Prize Essay Contests—Writers must not be under 12 or over 17 years of age, and must observe the following:

1. Write on but one side of the paper.
2. Essay must not contain over 500 words.
3. Enclose a certificate from your teacher that the work is your own.
4. Pay your own postage.
5. Cut out and save these rules if you wish to take part in the contest.
6. Contest closes April 1. All essays must be in by this time.
7. Prizes will be awarded May 1.

ADAH W. WHITE,  
State Superintendent.

A county president writes: It looks like we are commanding respect when the Y. P. S. C. E. sends a committee to us to ask what they can do to aid us; when the Epworth League asks us to lead the temperance quarterly meeting; when the president of the missionary society asks us to prepare and present a temperance program; when the Methodist ladies of a neighboring town ask us to come over and talk on temperance or the woman question for the benefit of their church. All this has happened within one week.



## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.



## HADLEY SCHOOL TRUSTEES DIRECTORY.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT, MISS HOBART.

I send you greetings from your own little ones in the Hadley Industrial School. Twenty-two bright faces with loving hearts, gave me hearty welcome to the Home Saturday evening, the 17th inst.

These children will not know until Christmas eve all that my visit meant to them, for two noble Christian women of Indianapolis sent a bushel basket as full as it could be packed, to the Union Station, for me to safely conduct to the Home, that on Xmas eve the children may realize that the Christian spirit still lives on the earth.

Before the MESSAGE reaches you, these children will be in possession of their gifts. The basket contained thirty dolls, thirty handkerchiefs, three bolts of hair ribbon, picture cards, and candy enough for all.

Miss Margaret Day's Sunday School class of First Baptist Church, of Indianapolis, will send the *Youth's Companion* for one year to our girls. The girls of said class, each dressed one doll and gave it her own name. The girl receiving this doll will write an acknowledgment of its receipt, and extend thanks for the same. The teacher and young farmer will present each girl with a new gingham apron, that there may be a sort of uniform appearance in the school.

Mrs. Frances Potter carried to the Union Station two large pictures, which were given by our late Josephine R. Nichols, and have just now reached their destination.

The morning devotional meeting, led by Mrs. Hannars, is quite interesting. The girls, teacher, and farmer each get some thought or passage from the Bible-reading, and repeat it at the close of the reading. They have learned many passages, and are storing their minds with precious truths.

The Christmas tree festivities will occur on Saturday evening, and on Monday the day school will recite pieces and sing Christmas songs.

The officers here are striving to impress the girls with the high ideas of usefulness, and purity of word, thought and deed. No coarse jokes or slang phrases are heard here. Each month we hope to introduce to you some one of our girls. The one whose picture we present to you is Amanda Knowlton, from Rockport. She is a sweet singer, and is taking music lessons on the piano, and is doing fair work in the sixth grade in day school, also takes part in domestic duties. Her father is dead, her mother too poor to care for her. Miss Lola Partridge, a noble woman, herself a cripple from rheumatism, her hands drawn out of shape, she walking only by the use of crutches, but her stout heart prompted her to undertake the rescue of this bright little singer. She must have written very many letters, and finally succeeded in placing her in our Home.

Dear sisters, we must make this school a power for good. Is not this a greater cause than rearing temples of brick and stone? We are here rearing temples for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. L. H.

[We regret the non-appearance of the picture of Amanda Knowlton in this issue of the MESSAGE.—Ed.]

## A LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT.

We are glad for the opportunity of speaking to you again through the MESSAGE. Since my last letter another little girl has been admitted to our home, Bertha Swartzell, from Terre Haute, aged eight years. We had a very pleasant thanksgiving. Our teacher, Miss Angell, had a nice and interesting program pre-

pared. Many of the friends and neighbors were invited in to enjoy the exercises. A few days before Thanksgiving, we received a box from South Bend, from the Chapin Park Union (Mrs. Fassnacht, President.) It contained ready made clothing, which fit our girls nicely, also candies, hoods, handkerchiefs, pictures, hair ribbons and nice story books, which the children greatly enjoyed. We extend our sincere thanks to the dear sisters who contributed all the nice and useful articles which gave our children so much enjoyment. We know they will be rewarded. "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love which ye have showed toward His name." Heb. 6-10. Our children are all very well at this writing. We are anticipating a merry Christmas. Presents have already begin to come in for the children from parents, unions and friends. We are truly grateful that so many good people are interested in our dear children. This rainy and sleety morning we rejoice that they do not have to go out in the mud to school.

We recently visited our beloved President of the Amo Union, Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, who is quite ill at this time. She has been confined to her bed for about three weeks. She is our resident trustee and has been a very earnest christian worker for temperance. She has done much in contest work. At her last contest held a few weeks since, she was only able to direct the work, but it was pronounced a success. She has been a valuable instrument in the hands of God for the promotion of righteousness, and the advancement of His kingdom. Our prayers are that God may restore her again if it be His will. She has been a faithful friend to our Home, always interested in our dear children. Yours in loving service,

CLARENCE J. HANNARS.

Amanda J. Knowlton, the subject of this sketch, was born July 6, 1885, in Spencer county, Ind., near Rockport. Her father died when she was 5 years old, leaving his family helpless and dependent. She is now in her 14th year, and is a bright and promising child. Mr. J. H. Parker, County Treasurer of Spencer county, noticed her intelligence and winning ways, and became interested in her as an orphan. Endorsed by the Rockport W. C. T. U., he sent her to the Hadley Industrial School. She was thus literally rescued from the streets a homeless waif, and her future established. She is studious in school, very industrious, and much is hoped for her as she advances toward womanhood.

## A LETTER FROM A GOOD GIRL.

Dear Mrs. Wardner:

I thought perhaps that you would like to know how the girls and the Home are getting along. All the girls are well, and we are still going to school. We have got the piano in the school room. Our teacher, Miss Angell, gives us music lessons. She is very nice to us.

We are having a force pump put in the laundry, and I think that it will be nice.

Christmas will soon be here, and we are going to have a Christmas tree and Christmas exercises. I hope that you can come and hear us recite our pieces.

Miss Hobart is here now, and we like to have her come. She is going home this morning, and we will probably not see her again this winter.

We have twenty-two girls. They are all very nice. Three have come since you were here last. Amelia went away the fourth of December. She was a good girl and we were sorry to see her go. She is very sick now, and was before she went away. If she had stayed here dear aunt Nan would have had her well by this time.

Our nice windmill broke about two or three weeks ago, during a hard wind storm. The wheel and the fan blew to pieces.

I think that we received a lovely box of things from the Chapin Park Union, at South Bend, for Thanksgiving. It was so kind for them to remember us. There were clothes, fruit, and a great many more nice things that were very useful to us. We had a very nice time Thanksgiving. In the morning Miss Angell and her sister and Mrs. Hannars and Mr. Burke went to church. We had scripture verses to say at the dinner table, and after dinner we had exercises, and some of our neighbors came to hear us recite them. We had a very nice program. After the exercises were over we had some nice candy that one of the South Bend Unions sent us. I think I will close now with love, and wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I remain your little friend,

AMANDA KNOWLTON.

## PLEDGES FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The following pledges were given by County and Local Presidents and friends:

Monroe County.....	\$40 00
LaPorte ".....	30 00
St Joseph ".....	10 00
Madison ".....	10 00
Marion ".....	50 00
Marshall ".....	10 00
Cass ".....	10 00
Grant ".....	35 00
Wabash ".....	5 00
Allen ".....	10 00
Wells ".....	5 00
Hendricks ".....	5 00
Morgan ".....	10 00
Hamilton ".....	10 00
Whitley ".....	5 00
Clinton ".....	25 00
Howard ".....	10 00
Steuben ".....	5 00
Henry ".....	5 00
Blackford ".....	5 00
Newton ".....	5 00
Johnson ".....	5 00
Noble ".....	5 00
East LaFayette Union.....	5 00
Covington Union.....	5 00
Terre Haute Central Union.....	5 00
Mary Hadley Y, Terre Haute.....	2 00
Monon Union.....	5 00
Bloomington Union.....	5 00
Eaton Union.....	5 00
Wappanee Union.....	5 00
Miss Ethel McWhirter, Indianapolis.....	10 00
Mr. F. T. McWhirter, Indianapolis.....	5 00
Miss Brazier, LaFayette.....	5 00
Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, Dunreith.....	5 00
" R. C. Travis, Elkhart.....	5 00
" E. H. Blain, Plymouth.....	5 00
" Amanda T. Whitson, Indianapolis.....	5 00
" Ralph Smith, in memory of Florence Smith.....	5 00
Received by \$1.00 and 50 cents subscriptions....	14 50

## AN ENCOURAGING LETTER FROM THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Of course you saw in the last MESSAGE the notice of my election as Treasurer of the Hadley Industrial School Board. I certainly feel that this is a great honor conferred upon me. I appreciate the confidence the women of the state have in me to do the work in this capacity. I do feel my weakness and inability, but knowing that I have so many good loyal workers all over the state that will help in every way to make the Home a success, I feel then I am strong to do all that is for me to do. Many have been prompt in paying the amount pledged at Lafayette State Convention. Our dear State Treasurer was the first to send in pledge of \$5.00.

## RECEIPTS.

Nov. 26.	Amount received from ex-Treasurer.....	\$189 58
" 12	Amanda Whitson, pledge at LaFayette.....	5 00
" 15.	Georgiana Mosier, pledge at LaFayette.....	1 00
	Mary Hadley for placing Memorials.....	70 67
	Mrs. Ridgeway on interest.....	10 00
" 28	Bloomington Union, half of pledge.....	20 00
" 30.	Florence Martin, Greencastle W. C. T. U.....	5 00
Dec. 6.	LaPorte Central W. C. T. U.....	5 00
" 6.	Blackford County W. C. T. U.....	5 00
" 7.	Hendricks county.....	5 00
" 8.	LaPorte county, part of pledge.....	16 00
" 14	Wells county.....	5 00
	Howard county.....	10 00
	Newton county.....	5 00
	Delaware county.....	5 00
	Morgan county.....	10 00
	Noble county.....	3 75
	Brehm Union.....	1 00
	Atlanta W. C. T. U.....	6 00
	Willard Union, Clinton county.....	8 00
	Cadiz Union.....	1 00

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Nov.-Dec.	For coal.....	\$103 73
	Range and utensils.....	59 89
	Ella B. Wright, postage.....	7 75
	Kate Mendenhall, Board meeting.....	1 60
	Anna Johnson, Board meeting.....	3 40
	Lucretia Hobart, postage.....	4 50
	Cora Angel, as teacher, Nov.-Dec.....	30 00
	E. B. Lindger, farm hand, Nov.-Dec.....	30 00
	John Lewis, farm hand, old debt.....	20 00
	Emergency fund, Miss Hannars.....	25 00
	Louisa Wardner, Board meeting.....	7 00
	Schnull & Company, rolled oats.....	2 00
	Mrs. Stanton, postage.....	1 03
	Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, note interest.....	53 03
	Interest on Mrs. Ridgeway's note.....	17 74

REBECCA HESSONG.



## FIELD NOTES.

—Mrs. Haymond, Francesville, has an L. T. L. of thirty-two members, and Britty Grant has a Y of twenty-seven members. If every Union in the State could make as good a showing as that, according to last year's minutes, we would have nearly six thousand L. T. L's., and nearly five thousand Y's. I mean by this, why will not each and every Union work for an L. T. L. and Y branch? M. E. B.

—Bath Union has gained five new members.

—Mt. Vernon held a "Due T." December 30th. Collecting dues was one feature of the T.

—The Misses Vincent and Cummins, of Australia, sailed for England December 21st, and Indiana Unions missed another opportunity.

—Greensburg Union has four sections of twenty members each, which entitles the sections each to have a delegate to the next State convention; and they are planning even now to make the money to pay the delegates expenses, and any woman who goes will be qualified, for each section will take a copy of the MESSAGE for each member. Is there a Union in the State with better forethought?

—Carroll county officers: President, Mrs. Clara Dunkin; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara Callane, both of Flora; Treasurer, Mrs. R. L. Higginbotham, Delphi.

—Camden and Rockfield have a new Union.

—Muncie calls Mrs. Teats back for ten day's service in one of the churches, beginning the first week in January. How strange some churches fear to open their doors at all, others can give a week. Martinville would like Mrs. Teats again if there was time.

—Marion county has a new Y, to be known as the northeast Y. President, Miss Minta Mountjoy, 1614 Martindale avenue; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Rose Reddick; Treasurer, Miss Fannie Farmer. Six regular and five honorary members.

—Vigo county has two new Unions, the work of Miss Mary Hadley, our Vice President and organizer. Union first organized and not yet named. President, Mrs. Carrie Jones, Terre Haute; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ida Loveall, 106 south 4th street, Terre Haute; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Alice E. Blocksom, Prairieton; Treasurer, Mrs. Teshie K. Ward, 104 south 4th street, Terre Haute. Nine regular and one honorary member.

—Collett Park Union of nineteen regular and eight honorary members. President, Mrs. O. McDaniel, 2121 north 7th street, Terre Haute; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hester Kuhn, 1900 north 13th street; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Holliger, 1927 north 7th street; Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah J. King, 1909 north 7th street. All of Terre Haute.

—Clinton and Vigo are entitled to a week's work by an organizer, sent by the State, as they each have two Unions organized, if the Treasurer will see that their dues are paid into the State Treasury.

—The Richmond W. C. T. U. had a lecture from Prof. Hodgins in their hall, Saturday, December 17th, on Scientific Temperance Instruction, giving a history of the movement as carried on by the organization. Mr. Hodgins was listened too with marked attention.

—Wayne County Executive Committee met in Rhoda Temple, Richmond, and selected the following Superintendents: Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. C. C. Hodgins; Scientific Instruction, Mrs. C. C. Hodgins; Sunday School Work, Mrs. Ellen Davis; Mercy, Mrs. Ellen Buell; Social Purity and Rescue Work, Mrs. Libbie Chandler; Mother's Meetings and Prison Work, Eliza Morris; Railroad Work, Rena Randle; Loyal Legion, Mrs. Anna Doughty; Fair Work, Mrs. Maria Butler; Press, Mrs. Lettie Smith; Temperance Literature, Rachel Hodgins; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Mary Nichols, Economy; Flower Mission, Mrs. Mayhew, Economy; Sabbath Observance, Hannah W. Stanley, Economy; Franchise, Mrs. Mary Toms, Olive Hill. A committee of eight was chosen on County Organization.

—Martinsville Union has decided to make every member a subscriber to the MESSAGE. Their L. T. L. now numbers 165 enrolled members.

—Mrs. Hattie Steckel, Mulberry, is working on a club for the MESSAGE.

—The following resolution was adopted unanimously:

"Resolved, That we, the W. C. T. U. of Wayne county, Ind., do most earnestly protest against the admission as a member to the next congress of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, whom we believe to be a national law breaker and does not observe the laws of his own

State, in that he has a plurality of wives. We earnestly request all our unions, the churches, and all law abiding citizens to unite in asking the congressmen of Indiana to vote against the admission of Brigham H. Roberts to the congress of our Republic."

It was stated that two hundred thousand women of the Presbyterian church have already protested against congressman Roberts, of Utah, being admitted as a member of congress.

—Mrs. Belle Flowers, of Shelbyville, who visited our State and National conventions as a delegate, spoke twice at Francesville, at Westville, Otis and Burdick on her way home, holding a parlor meeting in Valparaiso. She speaks of her audience at Burdick as being composed of her former pupils of thirty years ago. She has a campaign planned for Shelby county and we trust no one will hinder, but every one lend a helping hand.

—To my white ribbon co-laborers—happy New Year greeting. More and more the thought comes to me—oh, the sin of licensed rum! The sin of legalized saloons? *Whose sin?* This is the point upon which to focus our prayers, our efforts and our ballots. Any prayer short of this will fall to the ground; any effort will be for naught; any ballot will rise up in judgment against the voter. How can the President of these United States send his message out to the people and forget to mention the sin of licensed rum?

Dear sisters, dwell on this point, *whose sin?* in your prayers, in your thoughts, daily, hourly. And be sure you can answer, not my sin—by consent or assent, not by silence or cowardice. Praise God. Not my sin.

Mrs. Teats in Indiana is winning friends and golden words of praise for her services. Some points are wishing her back a second time very much, but it is too late now. Unions were so slow in the beginning that Mrs. Teats felt she must be assured of no idle time and has gone to the state of Pennsylvania in time for beginning work there and that puts a limit to her stay here. Mrs. Teats spends a week in the revival work in one of the churches in Muncie, beginning December 30th, from there goes to North Manchester for three days, Nappanee a week, to Churubusco and out of the state. She has already added eighty to our membership roll.

## CRAWFORD COUNTY.

The Marengo Union has made a new start, elected a new set of officers and is getting down to work in earnest. They have held two Silver Medal Contests since October. Mrs. Flavia Goldman is the new President. Mrs. Etta Davis, Marengo, is County Superintendent of Fair Work. I know one of your beautiful letters would encourage and help them wonderfully.

Mrs. Katie Riddle is President of the Alton Union. Her little baby daughter, Katie Lee, was taken from her arms to the arms of the loving Father, on Saturday last. The little darling died of scarlet fever. She has the Comforter.

All our schools are closed and the Board of Health will not allow public meetings of any kind until after the holidays.

Our County Superintendent of Franchise is Mrs. Rosa Brooks, Alton. We have not many County Superintendents yet, but will send in names as we appoint them. We want to organize at English soon. The members of Marengo Union are anxious, and will help us all they can. Pray for Crawford County, and for us all. May we do and be just what our Lord wants us to do and be.

CORA J. PARR.

Henry County W. C. T. U. met in convention Sept. 20, in Friends' Church, New Castle. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. Lizzie E. Holloway, Spiceland; Vice-President, Emma Hedges, New Castle; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mary M. Hosier, Greensboro; Treasurer, Mattie E. Charles, Spiceland. Attendance not large, but interesting and profitable. A good program was carried out. Ella Davis, of Richmond, State Superintendent of Evangelistic Work, was with us. Her presence and help were appreciated.

The Henry County W. C. T. U. Executive Committee met at Clear Spring Friends' Church, Dec. 2, 1898. Superintendents were appointed for seventeen departments of work. A very good degree of interest was manifested. We started out with the new year with increased energy, and join in the sentiment that this shall be our best year's work. MARY M. HOSIER.

Francisville Y has 27 members. Mrs. Grant is President. Weekly meetings are held.

## OBITUARY.

WHEREAS, By the permissive providence of God, our beloved ex-Secretary, Mrs. Elmina Lace and family, have been bereft of a lovely daughter just budding into maidenhood; taken by angel companions to bloom in the clime of Heaven, where no adversity chills the development of life and joy. Sharing with the family in this thought, we offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayer as condolence.

LOUISA RUSH,

MARY HARVEY,

On behalf of W. C. T. U. of Fairmount, Ind.

Mrs. J. W. Davidson of Evansville, writes that the interest in W. C. T. U. work in Vanderburg county is increasing. Mrs. Helen M. Gougar lectured on suffrage recently in Evansville.

The material for the MESSAGE is already in the hands of the printer, but I must slip this in to tell you that your earnest efforts during the past quarter has not been without its reward, as we can report a gain of 121 members over the corresponding quarter last year. It is the largest membership report for a similar quarter for years.

A. T. WHITSON,

Treasurer.

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Mrs. W. A. McI.

To all who send 70 cents to this office before March 1, 1899, we will send the MESSAGE and the *New Crusade* one year.



"Not by Might Nor  
by Power,  
But by My Spirit"

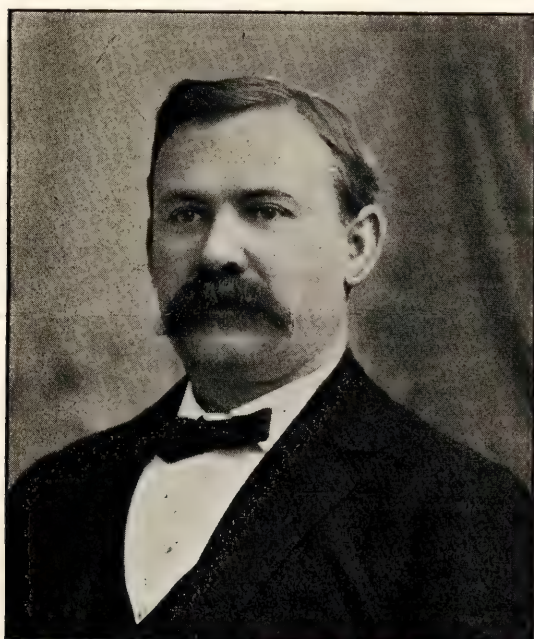
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SENATOR ORRIN Z. HUBBELL.

Senator Orrin Z. Hubbell who so kindly and generously espoused the woman's cause in asking the ballot at the hands of the Legislature of Indiana in 1899, prepared the resolutions for both Senate and House and offered to introduce it in to the Senate, which he did, and has rendered much valuable legal help without price or pay. Senator Hubbell is the descendant of the sturdy Danes. The history of his ancestors is remarkable and well worth your perusal, but I have space only for a few most important things concerning himself. He was graduated in the high school of Butler, Ind., in 1873, and at 14 began a regular classical course and graduated from Indiana University in 1877, all this time depending upon his own resources, always choosing elevating and choice reading and associations. He began the study of law and editing a newspaper at the same time. He turned aside for a while to engage as the Superintendent of the Monroeville public schools. In 1882 he located in Elkhart and graduated from the law department of Notre Dame. He continues in the practice of his profession in Elkhart and has built up a valuable clientage. His legal ability is not excelled by any lawyer of his age in the state. Having a genius for politics he is not allowed to remain in private life. In November of 1888 he was first elected State Senator by the Republican party. He was selected as a member of the judiciary committee at both sessions of the legislature of which he was a member, because of his sagacity and dispatch in that line. He deserves the approval of all impartial men and women and should secure the unstinted encomiums of the public press.

Senator Hubbell has a wife and two lovely children, a girl and a boy, and as fine a residence home as the city of Elkhart affords. Mrs. Hubbell and family are members in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

## LEGISLATURE NOTES.

Article Sixteen, Section Two, of the Indiana State Constitution, reads: "If two or more amendments shall be submitted at the same time, they shall be submitted in such manner that the electors shall vote for or against each of such amendments separately; and while such an amendment or amendments which shall have been agreed upon by one General Assembly shall be waiting the action of the succeeding General Assembly, or of the electors, no additional amendment shall be proposed. The General Assembly of 1897 agreed upon two amendments to the constitution, which await the attention of the present General Assembly. Under the section quoted above to propose another amendment is not considered legal. On January 13, 1899, Senator O. Z. Hubbell, of Elkhart, introduced in the Senate a joint resolution to amend Article Two, Section Two of the State Constitution, so as to allow women to vote on equal terms with men. The same resolution was introduced in the House, at the same hour by Representative Quincy A. Blankenship, of Martinsville, Morgan County. The Senate Resolution was referred to the Senate Committee on Revision of the Constitution, and subsequently referred to the next General Assembly for consideration. The House Resolution was referred to the Judiciary Committee, and at the present writing has not been considered by the House. While there is considerable

sentiment in the House in favor of the resolution it may be ruled out, owing to the two amendments that are pending. It was thought wise to introduce the resolution asking for equal suffrage during this session of the Legislature so as to bring the attention of the people to the question, and if possible to secure the right of way for this important amendment before the next General Assembly. The interest and advance of the cause has been so great in both House and Senate as to alarm the Anti-Suffragists of Boston, Mass., who, fearing that the General Assembly might grant the women of Indiana the right to vote at once, sent every member a remonstrance. No surer signs of strength of our cause have come to us than this one of active opposition. Both Committees invited our National Superintendent of Franchise, Miss Brehm, to speak before them on behalf of the resolution, and she had a respectful hearing before each committee.

## A JOINT RESOLUTION TO AMEND SECTION TWO OF ARTICLE TWO OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF INDIANA.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, That the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of said State be and the same is now agreed to and referred to the General Assembly of said State to be chosen at the next general election:*

Amend Section 2 of Article 2 of said Constitution to read as follows:

SEC. 2 In all elections not otherwise provided for by this Constitution every citizen of the United States, without distinction of sex, of the age of twenty-one years and upward, who shall have resided in the State during the six months, and in the township sixty days, and in the ward or precinct thirty days, immediately preceding such election and every person of foreign birth, without distinction of sex, of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, who shall have resided in the United States one year, and shall have resided in this State during the six months, and in the township sixty days, and in the ward or precinct thirty days, immediately preceding such election, and shall have declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization shall be entitled to vote in the township or precinct where he may reside if he shall have been duly registered according to law.

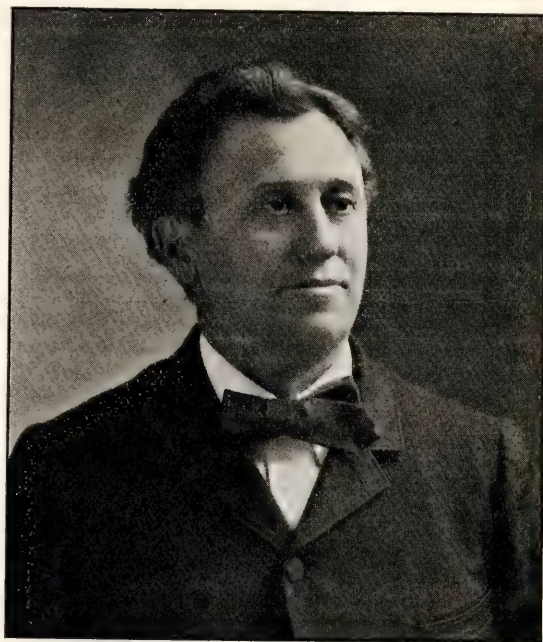
*Mr. President*—Your committee on the Revision of the Constitution, to which was referred Senate Joint Resolution Number 2, being an amendment to the Constitution, introduced by Senator Hubbell, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation, that, inasmuch as there are now pending two amendments to the Constitution, and that Section two of Article sixteen of said Constitution provides that no amendment shall be proposed while others are pending, that they believe that the principle involved in this resolution is such that the people of the State should have the opportunity of voting on the same; that this session of the General Assembly cannot constitutionally act upon said resolution; that in order to show the attitude of the Senate on the subject-matter of said joint resolution, this resolution be commended to the Sixty-Second General Assembly for its favorable consideration.

Joss,  
Chairman.

Many thanks are due from the membership of Indiana W. C. T. U. to Senator O. Z. Hubbell, of Elkhart, because he kindly offered to prepare the joint bills for both Senate and House, and introduced the Senate bill and received no pay whatever. Representative Blankenship introduced our bill in the House and championed it in his own forceful, energetic manner. I would think it a fine tribute to their generosity if the White Ribbon women of Indiana kept their desks in flowers during this term of the Legislature.

When Senator Hubbell called attention to the petitions that were on the desks of the Senators the men all rushed to their feet holding out their petitions towards the Lieut. Governor, who didn't seem to understand what they were. He cried out, what does this mean? I must take some account of this. Some members said one thing and some another, but Senator Chas. P. Drummond, of Plymouth, shouted "The women of my county want to vote." Only a few days before he had taken sides against women's rights generally.

January 26. The Senate passed a resolution recommending the amendment to the constitution of Indiana, giving the women the right to vote on equal terms with men.



HON. QUINCY A. BLANKENSHIP.

Hon. Q. A. Blankenship was born on a farm in Morgan county, November 15, 1851. He is a man of remarkable intellectual power, and possesses a college education. He is a son of Rev. Perry Blankenship, a pillar of strength in the Christian church, and a veteran in the civil war. His mother was a woman of great strength of character and to his parents no doubt he owes his high ideals of christian citizenship. Mr. Blankenship has always been a firm believer in the principles of the Republican party, is broad in his sympathies, with a warm loving heart, and an enthusiastic devotion to all that is good, true and noble. He is a consistent member of the Christian church. He is now serving his second term in the Legislature. In his domestic life Mr. Blankenship has no superiors. He was married some sixteen years ago to Miss Fannie Miller, of Martinsville, who has proven to be a gentle, sweet spirited wife, whose devotion and encouragement have urged her husband on toward the highest goal. Mrs. Blankenship is Secretary of the Morgan County W. C. T. U. She is an earnest White Ribboner. Their daughter Gale, is blooming into womanhood, the idol of her father.

Mr. Blankenship is a resident of Martinsville, a member of the bar, and appreciated by all who know him.

The desks of Hon. Q. A. Blankenship and Senator O. Z. Hubbell are being kept bountifully supplied with flowers by the Unions of Morgan and Elkhart Counties in appreciation of the brave championship of human rights by these able legislators, who are dealing deadly blows to that monster prejudice, which is fast receding before the greater civilization of the twentieth century. Also Speaker Littleton and Lieut. Governor Haggard were recipients of compliments and flowers from our White Ribboners.

## LICENSE CIGARETTE LAW.

Senator Gochenour, representing Fulton and Wabash counties, introduced a license cigarette bill which provides that license not to exceed \$25.00 shall be charged retail dealers, and that a license not to exceed \$50.00 shall be charged wholesale dealers. The ex-State Senator who was here during the last Legislature in the interest of the American Tobacco Trust, I am informed is here now. We are told that for his services against the W. C. T. U. prohibitory cigarette bill during the last Legislature he received \$1,500, and was boarded at a first class hotel. Notwithstanding that, and the use of much money, the petitions and letters sent to members of the General Assembly by the W. C. T. U. and others, he could not defeat our bill entirely. It suffered much, however, was three times printed wrong, and the very last was copied wrong for Governor Mount's signature. We found out the mistake and through the efforts of Senators Gill and Goar the services of the Attorney General was secured, and he compelled a correct copy to be made from the Senate Record and to be presented to the Governor for signature. A license law is what the monopoly wants. Shall it have it, or will our good citizens demand that such a measure shall not be passed? Letters and petitions from voters avail much. Immediate action is necessary.

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"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

Two of our National Superintendents have said that Indiana had the best superintendents of their departments in the nation. Others have said that the Indiana Superintendents sent in the most definite reports. Hurrah for Indiana!! When our local and county superintendents report QUARTERLY to the State Superintendents then our State Superintendents will show the National that greater work is being done in Indiana than has ever been reported, for the half has never been told.

W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HEREDITY AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

PROGRAM.

Motto: "To cure is the voice of the past; to prevent the divine whisper of to-day."

1. Prayer.
2. Repeat, in concert, Romans 12:1.
3. Bible quotation, by each member, pertaining to health or the preservation of the body. Music.
4. Talk on ventilation.
5. Discussion of above subject. Music.
6. Healthful Dress. (A paper or talk.)
7. Exercise. (Talk.) Music.
8. Heredity. (A talk by a physician, when advisable.)
9. Circulate department literature. (Write me for literature and terms.)

Directions. Give out programs at previous meeting, so all may be posted on subjects and ready for discussion. Invite visitors and thus enable them to come in contact with this scientific phase of the subject. Give each subject the same time; do not allow it to be long and tedious. Be sure to solicit new members.

MRS. M. A. TOMPKINS.

THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF FRANCHISE.

Who is at present in Indianapolis watching after and working to further the interests of the "Joint Resolution" to amend the Constitution of the State of Indiana granting women the right to vote, is a graduate of Coldwater, Mich., High School. She also took a classical course in Hillsdale College, was afterwards a High School teacher in Coldwater, and other places for several terms. Took up the millinery business twenty-five years since as a means of support and past time, and in which she is at present successfully engaged. Ever since leaving college she has continued to study, taking a six years course in the Chautauqua Literary Circle for which she holds a diploma and several seals. The theological course of nine years has been completed and a diploma is held by your superintendent for the same. She is an ordained minister of the Christian Church and a worker. Within the past two months the Eel River Christian Conference has purchased a neat little brick chapel on River Side, Elkhart, city. Meetings have resulted in organizing a Christian Church there, all through the earnest work of the same woman that now asks your co-operation in making the franchise department a success through the State.

A GREAT STEP FORWARD.

The Newton County W. C. T. U. Convention Nov. 9, 1898, seconded by the Goodland Union, voted to invite the State Board of Superintendents, Associates, Secretaries of the Branches, Musical Director and Organizers to hold a conference, a two days' session in Goodland in June, 1899 (or May, if preferred) upon the same terms that the State Convention and Executive Committee are always offered, i. e., a place in which to hold the meeting, entertainment and collection both evenings.

MRS. E. D. HARDY,  
Goodland.

It has been decided best to present this invitation through the MESSAGE, but to leave further plans until the mid-year executive meeting, which I hope will be well attended by the superintendents. A vote will be taken,

and if we decide to hold this conference in June all arrangements as to program, etc., will be made there. Let us try to make this year the greatest success ever known in the annals of our department work.

GEORGIANA MOSER,  
Secretary State Board of Superintendents.



MISS MARIE C. BREHM, National Superintendent of Franchise.

Miss Brehm possesses rare executive ability and is an earnest, forceful speaker. Perhaps what most impresses the listener in her addresses is her honesty, her fearlessness, her fair-mindedness, while those who know her well in private life will bear cheerful testimony to her truthfulness, to her tender heart, and withal, to a sweet and gracious womanhood.

PRESS WORKER.

A plan has been suggested to me for helping the work of our department, which I heartily endorse, and if it is faithfully carried out by all the press superintendents in the state, we shall be able to present an object lesson which will illustrate, in a measure, the wonderful possibilities of this department.

The plan is this: Each local superintendent to clip from the newspapers all material published that they write or are instrumental in having written; paste this upon a piece of paper in the form of a column, and at the end of each quarter, December 15, March 15, June 15 and September 15, each local superintendent to send her clippings thus pasted in column form to the County Superintendent, who will paste all together in column form and measure by the feet, then send the full amount from her county to the State Superintendent, who in turn will paste all together and measure.

At the mid-year executive meeting, the amount received by me up to that time will be displayed, and the full amount for the year will be exhibited at the State Convention.

An idea in connection with this is to paste each clipping even to the left margin of a sheet of legal cap paper, and write the name of the paper from which it was taken and the date of issue to the right of column.

Dear sisters, continue to write the suffrage articles. Many of you have done nobly in this line, but "be not weary in well doing"—spread the sentiment far and wide. Also tell the women and tell everybody to be awake, for a new danger confronts us. An effort is being made to fasten a license cigarette law upon Indiana. The bill has already been introduced and unless the most determined efforts are put forth against it, it will pass. Do your best in every way to create sentiment against it. It must not pass.

Our National Superintendent, Mrs. Horning, calls attention to the fact that the Red Letter days are good occasions to send articles to the press and bring before the public special lines of work, and expresses the opinion that if we, as press superintendents, give early attention to these days, we will not only instruct the public, but we may be the means of causing the day to be more generally observed by the Unions.

The first of these now before us is our new Memorial day, February 17, the heavenly birthday of our dear Miss Willard. Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens' birthday, March 1, has been added to the list. It is suggested that as much as possible concerning the life and plans of our new leader be brought out through the press. We want the people to know her thoroughly and well, as we know her, that they may appreciate her.

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OUR FAIR DEPARTMENT

Is a large department, and should be properly worked this year. In all the counties where fairs are held, or G. A. R. meetings, or Fourth of July celebrations, or any large public gathering, let the county superintendent and assistants have a medal contest, and a gospel meeting. Try to get a place at Chataqua assemblies and other gatherings wherever you can, to present to the W. C. T. U. work. Scatter our literature everywhere. It will do good and not be wasted. A banner will be presented at the next National convention to the State securing the largest number of active and honorary members by the superintendents

of the Fair department. You have a rare opportunity to secure a large number of honorary members, as so many men attend these holiday gatherings. Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves. The National has pledge cards arranged for this department with blank spaces for name, date, town, county, and State; also for membership fee. Dear sisters, let us strive for the Banner for our department. Fairs are places where a great deal of work can be done at small cost. Any one wanting more information in their work, send for Leaflet 202 to Mrs. H. T. Guild, National Superintendent, 902 West Broadway, Sedalia, Mo. Pledge cards 25 cents per 100. They are beautiful. The earth is the Lord, and the fullness thereof. Psalm 24:1 and Isaiah 41:10.

M. A. L. COLTON,  
Superintendent.

Y. W. C. T. U.

Perhaps you do not all know that Indiana Ys received a Banner at the National Convention at St. Paul for having made the greatest gain in membership of any State in the United States. Now the question confronting us is, shall we keep it? How, by doubling our membership. Let us put our mark up to 1,000 by next fall. Begin right away; get your member and the money, then they will count. March 1st Y send out the blank for the second quarter report. Just think, half the year will have passed, and have you been faithful in petition work? Have you sent letters to your representatives, etc.? About sixty-three Ys paid dues the first quarter from Martinsville, Idaville, Carmel, LaPorte, Shelbyville, Francesville, New Albany, Goshen and Anderson; only nine out of the twenty-two responded. Let all the rest, with those who have sent, help to swell the number in March; make it at least 100 paid. Keep our Banner from trailing in the dust; lift it high.

In December the Anderson Y engaged Mrs. Ellen K. Denny for two days work. Saturday afternoon addressed a parlor meeting at Mrs. W. W. Leibe's home. Saturday evening the colored W. C. T. U. Sabbath morning the Baptist Church conducted a service in the jail at the Y. M. C. A. and preached at Madison Avenue M. E. Church. We were blessed in having Mrs. Denny with us. People were generally awakened to their duty. Six joined our Y in two weeks; thus the good work goes on. Preparations are in progress for the week. Miss Brehm will be in Anderson beginning the 5th of February. Anderson Y has sustained a loss in removal from our city to Indianapolis of Mr. George Treher and sister, Miss Mollie, to No. 2155 North Illinois street, but are glad to say our loss will be the gain of one of the Y Unions in Indianapolis. Let us be prayerful and faithful is the wish of your co-worker and friend.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
106 W. 14th Street, Anderson, Ind. State Y Secretary.

L. T. L.

Let our motto this year be: "On to the front!" Indiana is grouped in the front ranks, but not at the front. Let us not be satisfied with fourth or fifth place, but make our standard that of the highest possible to attain. There are several things we must do to occupy advanced ground. If possible I wish that each county secretary would arrange to hold two conferences this year, one in the spring in connection with the Institute work, and in September at the county convention. Call together all your local secretaries and any who may be interested. Study methods, and give interchange of thought and experience. I believe these will be very helpful. If desired, I will attend these conferences, giving all the assistance possible.

MRS. AMANDA R. GORDON,  
State Secretary.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The mid-year meeting of the State Executive Committee will be held at Wabash March 29th and 30th.

The members of the committee are the General Officers, County Presidents and Branch Secretaries, all of whom are expected to be present.

MARY E. BALCH, LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
Secretary. President W. C. T. U. of Indiana.

MRS. WHITSON SAYS.

I hope every Treasurer, County or Local, who receives this paper, and every one should be a subscriber at once if she is not, for you cannot afford to be without it, will compare her own report this quarter with that of the December report last year and note your gain. Please also note how many dues were sent in during the second quarter last year, and if possible make a gain in every Union during the coming quarter.

Will County Treasurers make a special note of this and lend your aid to every Union in your county by a personal visit if possible? If your can not do that, write them a helpful letter, urge personal work from every one. Urge promptness in sending reports by the 15th of March, that your reports to the State Treasurer may not be delayed. The personal letters I have received from so many of the County and Local Treasurers have been very helpful encouragement and highly appreciated. The outlook throughout the State as gleaned from these letters is indeed very promising. Many Unions and counties have not yet secured the Treasurer's record books. Let me assure you, dear sisters, that these record books do not take the place of the Treasurer's books you already have. They are only to be used once a quarter, to record the reports sent to the County and to the State. Every Union in the County should have one, and keep a correct record of every cent received and every cent paid out. The books are exact duplicates of the blanks sent out. Price of County books, 35 cents; Local books, 15 cents. Send to me for them. All orders will be filled promptly. With many desires for a glad, happy and prosperous year, I am yours most loyally, AMANDA T. WHITSON.

LET EVERY UNION HOLD PUBLIC SERVICES ON FEBRUARY 17.



## DEPARTMENT OF NORMAL INSTITUTES.

Its plan for holding a two day's and two night's meeting in every one of the ninety-two counties of the State.

See Section four of Plan of Work, on page 55 of our annual minutes of 1898. It was adopted by the annual convention without a dissenting vote. To make this plan a success has been the purpose, the studied effort and prayerful care of the Superintendent and Secretary, aided by the other State officers, and we submit the following:

The first thing to perplex us is how to get the money. To do this hold a Loyal Temperance Legion Medal Contest the first evening, charging ten cents admission, not allowing the local committee to give over ten complimentary tickets. These ten complimentary tickets do not have reference to the class or the three judges; they are always admitted free. Very young children may take part, as young as eight years, if they can commit the recitations. We will use the National Educator numbers 1, 2 and 3. Do not understand it to be necessary to make your class from an L. T. L. Only a few counties have an L. T. L. The thought is to increase interest in this branch. The second evening we will take a collection. If the proceeds of the contest the first night and the collection the second night do not amount to (\$10.00) ten dollars, the County Treasurer shall make it that amount, and be prepared to do so at the close of the Institute.

The State worker in charge of the Institute will act as treasurer and take charge of contest receipts and collection, and receipt to the County Treasurer for any amount called for to make receipts equal the ten dollars. If the receipts of the contest and collection are more than ten dollars the department will be allowed to take the surplus for these reasons. There are thirty-two counties in which the department will have to be responsible for the Institute, and the sixty counties which will consent to the plan will be doing W. C. T. U. Missionary work in the broadest sense, and it will be a living example of a State in which every county is working in Union for the best good of all. It will surely result in Indiana's holding for another year the beautiful banner won at St. Paul.

It is the judgment of those who have had most experience, that to bring about the best results at each Institute, the leader must have an assistant. This has been provided for in the planning. The leader and her assistant must take their section and continue in the field until the section is finished, without going home or resting; three institutes a week—to economize in money, time and wear and tear of physical and mental health. Institutes can, without disturbing this order, secure their State President or any other state worker they may wish to have present, and we trust they will do so. State Evangelists and Superintendents will read the program and note the sections and the dates of Institutes in February MESSAGE, and to see how many Institutes they can attend. The usual uniform program has been provided for all. This program can be adjusted to every county and will insure systematic instruction for the entire White Ribbon Force, something greatly to be desired.

The plan insures an Institute in every county, with two specialists, if you will allow the term, with the necessary literature and outline programs furnished, with a reasonable chance of not having to take one cent from any county treasury.

Because county seats afford the best railroad connections, and they need the work badly, we will hold the Institute in county seats unless the county makes special request otherwise, as a very few have done. The towns selected by special request must not be out of line of travel to the next county seat.

Who pays for the medal? The treasurer of the Institute, from the proceeds of the contest. Is the price of the medal included in the ten dollars? It is.

County Presidents should call an Executive Committee meeting as soon as the February MESSAGE is in the women's hands, and make the necessary arrangements—securing a local committee. The chairman of this committee should correspond at once with the State Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis, who will arrange about the contest and answer any questions concerning trains and other details. They should correspond as well with the Department Superintendent, Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington, Ind., in regard to filling and carrying out the program.

The County Executive Committee will be wise in providing for wide advertisement in local and county papers, etc., and in making choice of persons to write papers and lead in the discussion of subjects on the program. Also in securing a local choir—better call it a Union Choir from the several churches for the evening meetings, and some one for the day meetings to preside at the instrument and lead in the singing. Do not fail to provide to meet any shortage in the ten dollars specified. The thirty-two counties, not asked to make good the amount of ten dollars, will be asked to provide entertainment and a place for the meetings. We have not considered that church in any county would be any expense, but free to this work and we believe they will be. In these counties we shall hold contests with ten cents admission and take a collection, treating them as the other counties are treated in every particular, except in asking them to be responsible for any shortage in funds. Many of these counties may be liberal where they have at least one Union, but where they do not have any, our returns in the way of silver may be small. We trust the seed sowing will be beautiful. If any friendly eye in any one of these towns where we wish to hold our Institutes will move the hand to write and offer help at once, it will be blessed of the Lord.

## SCHEDULE PLACES AND DATES IN SECTION No. 1.

Kosciusko, Warsaw, March 31 and April 1; Marshall, Plymouth, April 3 and 4; Fulton, Rochester, April 5 and 6; Starke, Knox, April 7 and 8; Pulaski, Winnemac, April 10 and 11; Porter, Valparaiso, April 12 and 13; Lake, Crown Point, April 14 and 15; La Porte, LaPorte, April 17 and 18; St. Joseph, South Bend, April 19 and 20; Elkhart, Elkhart, April 21 and 22; LaGrange, LaGrange, April 24 and 25; Noble, Albion, April 26 and 27; DeKalb, Auburn, April 28 and 29; Steuben, Angola, May 1 and 2; Whitley, Columbia City, May 3 and 4. Leader, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.

## SECTION No. 2.

Miami, Peru, March 31, April 1; Howard, Kokomo, April 3, 4; Cass, Logansport, April 5, 6; Carroll, Rockfield, April 7, 8; Jasper, Rensselaer, April 10, 11; White, Wolcott, April 12, 13; Newton, Kentland, April 14, 15; Benton, Fowler, April 17, 18; Warren, Williamsport, April 19, 20; Fountain, Covington, April 21, 22; Tippecanoe, LaFayette, April 24, 25; Montgomery, Crawfordsville, April 26, 27; Boone, Lebanon, April 28, 29; Clinton, Frankfort, May 1, 2; Tipton, Tipton, May 3, 4; Hamilton, Noblesville, May 5, 6; Madison, Anderson, May 8, 9; Delaware, Muncie, May 10, 11; Jay, Portland, May 12, 13; Adams, Decatur, May 15, 16; Allen, Ft. Wayne, May 17, 18; Wells, Bluffton, May 19, 20; Blackford, Montpelier, May 22, 23; Grant, Marion, May 24, 25; Wabash, Wabash, May 26, 27; Huntington, Huntington, May 29, 30. Leader, Rev. M. O. Cammack, Marion.

## SECTION No. 3.

Hancock, Greenfield, March 31, April 1; Henry, New Castle, April 3, 4; Randolph, Winchester, April 5, 6; Wayne, Richmond, April 7, 8; Fayette, Connersville, April 10, 11; Union, Liberty, April 12, 13; Franklin, Brookville, April 14, 15; Rush, Rushville, April 17, 18; Shelby, Shelbyville, April 19, 20; Decatur, Greensburg, April 21, 22; Bartholomew, Columbus, April 24, 25; Brown, Nashville, April 26, 27; Johnson, Franklin, April 28, 29; Morgan, Martinsville, May 1, 2; Owen, Spencer, May 3, 4; Marion, Indianapolis, May 5, 6; Hendricks, Plainfield, May 8, 9; Putnam, Greencastle, May 10, 11; Clay, Brazil, May 12, 13; Parke, Rockville, May 15, 16; Vermillion, Dana, May 17, 18; Vigo, Terre Haute, May 19, 20; Sullivan, Sullivan, May 22, 23; Greene, Bloomfield, May 24, 25. Leader, Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

## SECTION No. 4—WESTERN DIVISION.

Lawrence, Bedford, May 26, 27; Monroe, Bloomington, May 29, 30; Martin, Shoals, May 31, June 1; Daviess, Washington, June 2, 3; Knox, Vincennes, June 5, 6; Posey, Cynthiana, June 7, 8; Gibson, Princeton, June 9, 10; Vanderburg, Evansville, June 12, 13; Dubois, Jasper, June 14, 15; Pike, Petersburg, June 16, 17. Leader, Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

## SECTION No. 4, EAST DIVISION.

Ripley, Sunman, May 10, 11; Dearborn, Aurora, May 12, 13; Ohio, Rising Sun, May 15, 16; Switzerland, Vevay, May 17, 18; Jefferson, Madison, May 19, 20; Jennings, North Vernon, May 22, 23; Scott, Scottsburg, May 24, 25; Jackson, Brownstown, May 26, 27; Orange, Paoli, May 29, 30; Washington, Salem, May 31 and June 1; Clark, Jeffersonville, June 2, 3; Floyd, New Albany, June 5, 6; Harrison, Ramsey, June 7, 8; Crawford, English, June 9, 10; Perry, Cannelton, June 12, 13; Spencer, Rockport, June 14, 15; Warrick, Booneville, June 16, 17. Leaders, Mary E. Balch and Mattie O. Cammack.

Assistants in Institutes including Specialists in "Y." and "L. T. L." work: Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, Ind.; Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Ada L. Squire, Martinsville, Ind.; Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville, Ind.; Mrs. Clara Sears, Anderson, Ind.; Mrs. Mell Newlin, Bloomington, Ind.; Mrs. Olive Peele, Richmond, Ind.

## THE QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT FUND PLAN.

First introduced at the Mid-Year executive at Greensburg. Approved at South Bend Convention. Also endorsed at the mid-year meeting at Anderson, and the annual meeting at LaFayette. What about the plan? Well, it necessitates a quarterly department meeting open to the public. These meetings to be held some time in December, March, June and September. Programs to be printed in the MESSAGE in November, February, May and August. We give the program this month for March 24. If any local Union thinks they can make more of a success of the meeting by using some other day they may feel free to make the change.

## PROGRAM.

Open with song service by the children.  
Marching Songs, No. 3.  
Page 12, Battle Song.  
Page 32, We're for Home and Mother.  
Page 72, Some Glad Day.  
L. T. L. Superintendent read the Second Epistle of John.

## Prayer.

Ten minute paper on Jail and Prison Work by local superintendent or some one selected. Discussion. Ten minute paper on Work Among Soldiers and Sailors, by local superintendent or some one selected. Discussion. Recitation. Collection. Distribution of literature. Signal Lights, No. 2 and 18. Solicit new members.

Adjourn with Benediction and Doxology.

The State Secretary would like to hear from Unions holding this meeting.

## LIST OF MISSIONARY COUNTIES.

Brown, Carroll, Clark, Fayette, Floyd, Fountain, Franklin, Gibson, Harrison, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jennings, Koscinko, LaGrange, Montgomery, Ohio, Grange, Owen, Perry, Pike, Putnam, Ripley, Scott, Spencer, Starke, Sullivan, Switzerland, Tipton, Vermillion, Warren and Warrick. Dear Sisters, there is wisdom in all this planning, even to the saving of a cent, if you will be patient to understand before condemning.

With all of our desire for a plan which will be just to all counties, and generous to those not organized for our work, it may yet be found imperfect.

But before any county decides it has good and sufficient reasons for being excused from helping carry out this plan, will that county feel that it is in a spirit of love we ask? That it be sure it is not a species of selfishness that causes it to see barriers in the way of working for the good of all, for selfishness will be sure to work for the disadvantage of all, and especially for that county which looks upon the field narrowly.

May all with one accord make a long pull and a strong pull for the Institutes of 1899, and by the blessing of God may we rejoice together in such a victory as has never before come to this department of our work.

## NORMAL INSTITUTE PROGRAM.

- 10:00. Devotion led by President of Local Union.  
10:15. Organization of Institute. Appointment of Secretaries and Reporters.  
10:30. 1. Mothers' Meeting or Conferences, by the Assistant in Institutes.  
2. Reform Legislation, The Curfew, etc.  
3. Reading the Testimony of Mayors and Marshalls.  
The foregoing divisions of the subject, each to be given in five minutes, and followed by discussion.  
10:55. Consecration Hour. Bible Reading Conducted by the Leader of Institute.  
Topic—Individual Responsibility in Christian Living and Christian Work.  
(a) Christian Living in the Home. A five minute talk by the Superintendent of Evangelistic Work.  
(b) Christian Work outside of the Home. Five minutes talk by the County President.  
(c) Invocation Testimony and Consecration Service.  
11:30. Literature by State, County or Local Superintendent of the Department. Discussion and Subscriptions to Periodicals.  
12:00. Announcements, Noontide Prayer. Adjournment for Lunch.

## AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Devotion, conducted by Evangelistic Superintendent.  
2:15. L. T. L. Branch—Read prayerfully 1 Sam. 17: 32-37.  
1. The Relation Existing Between the L. T. L. and the W. C. T. U.  
2. Education of the Young.  
(a) In Parliamentary Usage.  
(b) In Our Methods.  
(c) In Department Work.  
3. Why Every Union Should Support a Legion.  
4. "Whom Shall we Send? Who will go for us?"  
3:00. Indiana's Methods—  
For Promoting Department Work.  
For Recording and Reporting the Work.  
For Supporting her Industrial School.  
For Supporting her State Paper.  
For Conducting Normal Institutes.  
For Promoting Organization.  
For Promoting the Work of the Y Branch, reaching the Salaried Young Women.  
For Promoting Uniform Interest at Local Union Meetings.  
For Observing Memorial Days.  
The foregoing topics each to be presented in four minutes, and followed by discussion.  
3:15. A fifteen minutes lesson on Civil Government, or a Parliamentary Drill by the Leader.  
4:00. Miscellaneous business. Announcements.  
4:15. Adjournment.

## EVENING.

- 7:70. L. T. L. Contest as arranged by State Superintendent of the Department and local workers.

## SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotion conducted by.....  
9:15. The Enfranchisement of Indiana Women. Echoes from the Legislature.  
9:30. How to use the Press.  
A seven minutes talk by.....  
Discussion.  
9:40. How not to do Christian Work Successfully.  
Looking at our failures for ten minutes, by the Leader.  
Business Principles Applied to Christian Work, for ten minutes by an honorary member or co-worker.  
Discussion.  
10:00. How to Advertise and Conduct a Public Meeting Successfully. Ten minutes instruction by a local President or Superintendent of a Department.  
Discussion.  
10:15. To what extent are women responsible for the existence of the Saloon? A five minute talk by a woman.



To what extent are men responsible for the existence of the Saloon? A ten minute talk by an honorary member or co-worker.

- 10:35. Questions of the Hour. Three eight-minute talks by local ministers, educators and other co-workers.

Discussion.

- 11:10. Open Parliament Points for Practice. Praise Service. Noontide Hour. Adjournment.

#### SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

Semi-annual County Convention as arranged by County W. C. T. U. Executive.

#### EVENING MEETING.

- 7:30. Devotion, conducted by County President. Symposium or Address by the Leader of Institute or her Assistant.

#### SUBJECTS FOR EVENING MEETINGS.

1. A Great Public Leader.
2. Symposium.
3. Rights Guaranteed under the Constitution. Their Rights Guaranteed under the Divine Law, their Observance and their violation.
4. The Church and the Saloon.
5. Omnibus Symposium—Christian Citizenship.
6. Bible Reading the Law and the Gospel of Reform.
7. Our State Industrial School for Girls.
8. A brief Review of the Work for Temperance.

MARY HADLEY,

Bloomington, Ind.

Superintendent.

Bring pencils and tablets without fail. County Presidents to fill report blanks answering every question.

#### FIELD NOTES.

Where will the next State Convention be held?

The state gavel has not been seen since the Logansport Convention.

Every local Superintendent should report quarterly to the County Superintendents and every County Superintendent should report quarterly to the State Superintendent.

Read the Press Superintendent's plan on another page. Study it well. According to this plan, what local Press Superintendent will send in the most printed words to her County Superintendent by March 5th?

The World's W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Edinburgh, June, 1900. Those attending the Paris Exposition can stop en route.

Our National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Seattle next October. Begin to plan now to make the trip to the Pacific coast and attend the Convention. All visitors will be entertained.

The membership of the Indiana W. C. T. U. is steadily gaining. Eighty-nine Unions reported an increase in paid members during the last quarter. Never before have so many Unions prepared annual programs. More literature is being read.

The Atlanta Union is still alive, with its face to the foe. We are glad to get the MESSAGE and learn what is being done in our State. In our work here we do not see the results that we desire, but feel that our work is not in vain. Sentiment in favor of the cause it represents is increasing, new members are joining our ranks. In four months our number has increased from six to thirty-six.

Mrs. Teats, national lecturer on Purity, was with us December 29th and 30th. This talented and brilliant woman aroused a line of new thought with quite a number that cannot fail to bear good fruit. Eleven new members were added.

MRS. LOUISA M. CAMPBELL.

Upland Union, Grant County, is pushing to the front. We are having special programs at our regular meetings, on the different departments of work. Our attendance is good. We are gaining in membership steadily. Our new calendar, with which every member is provided, giving the place and date of each meeting, contains fifty-four names, a gain of seventeen over the previous year. We had with us in the fall Rev. Greene, who delivered his lecture on "The Young Man and Maiden of the Twentieth Century" to a crowded house.

A few weeks ago our own Mrs. Cammack met with the "Joint Teachers Institute" at this place and presented the S. T. I. work in a very able manner. She remained with us over Sunday, preaching in the Friends Church in the morning and delivering a lecture in the M. E. Church in the evening. We had appropriate observance of Temperance Sunday, and distributed sixteen hundred pages of literature in the Sunday schools. At our next regular meeting had "Thoughts on Temperance Sunday" expressed by each member present. We hope a great amount of good was accomplished. We have one saloon and one billiard room that we are trying hard to get rid of, and have petitioned our councilmen to do all in their power to help. They responded by raising the license to the limit of the law, but we are not going to rest till our town is free.

MRS. ETTA AYRES,  
Press Superintendent.

KEWANNA.

Miss Hadley has been with us a week. Her work has been well done. She presented the scientific temperance to sixteen schools (or all in the township.)

The work was well planned. Every teacher was expecting her. No time was lost. The work received a hearty endorsement by pupils and teachers. The principal of the High School was kind and helpful in arranging the work in the Town School. In some of the rooms he did not limit the time. He requested the teachers to review the pupils on the work. Our School Board and Township Trustee, when called upon by our W. C. T. U. Committee to assist in the work in a financial way, responded by each paying a third of expenses. The Union paid a third. This work was not an effort for new members, but the work was presented in all three of the churches, and the result has been thirteen new members. Among them one minister, two teachers (one of whom is also a minister), one musician, which will help us very much, the marshal of the town, and other honorary members who will be just as helpful. We have taken in almost enough funds to pay our part of the expenses. I do think the MESSAGE is such a helpful paper. My husband used to say to me: "I have to drink so much water to get a little tea." So it is with many of our papers; we have to read so much to get what we want, but the MESSAGE is tea unsteeped.

MRS. JESSIE TONER.

#### LAPORTE UNION ENTERTAINS THE TEACHERS.

The W. C. T. U. rooms were prettily decorated Saturday evening, the occasion being the reception given by the W. C. T. U. ladies for the teachers of the city schools. A large number of the teachers responded and a delightful program was carried out, after which dainty refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

Lucerne Union, Cass county, reports six new members at one meeting. Union in prosperous condition.

Frankfort Willard Union has rented a choice room for their meetings and for the L. T. L. Have named it Willard Hall. "Saint Frances" picture hangs over the President's chair; to the right is the face of noble Josephine Nichols. The room is nicely furnished; it contains a splendid piano. Willard Hall was dedicated by a reception to the members and their husbands. An oyster supper was given a few evenings ago in the hall. Several gentlemen, unsolicited, made handsome donations to the Union.

Hamilton County President writes: "The MESSAGE is brim full of the things we want to know."

#### INDIANAPOLIS WILLARD UNION OFFICERS.

President, Mrs. N. E. Woodruff, 2118 North Senate avenue; Vice-President, Mrs. S. C. Hartzog, corner Capitol avenue and Sixteenth street; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. E. Smith, 1607 Hall Place; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ella Trask Rose, 1615 North Meridian street; Treasurer, Mrs. E. K. Morris, 1805 North Delaware street.

By the united efforts of the W. C. T. U. and good men, two saloons were kept out of Wawaka. Remonstrances did it.

Ossian Union begins the year 1899 full of hope and good cheer. A strong effort was made some weeks ago to locate a saloon once more in our little city. A building was bought ostensibly for another and honorable business and it was then discovered that a resident of our town had made application for license to open a drinking and gambling den in the same. A remonstrance was drawn up and then there was some hustling, as the time for work was short. But everybody aided in the work, and as the applicant learned what was being done, and how well and thoroughly it was done, he did not make his appearance at the time appointed. Our local has done other good work. Much help (considering our strength and means) has been given the poor. A Superintendent of Social Purity (Mrs. T. B. Hunter) has been appointed; Mrs. J. P. Metts is Superintendent of Jail Work, Mrs. A. S. Ellzy, Superintendent of Narcotics and Mrs. Lizzie Swain, Superintendent of Sabbath Observance.

Seven new members were added to our local. Mrs. Serepta Worley has been made our local President for the ensuing year.

LAURA O. CHUPP,  
Press Reporter.

Hoagland has had a great temperance revival. Mother Trish was there eleven days. Sleighing was fine. Some evenings the church was literally packed with people. Eleven members were added to the Union. Many signed the pledge. One mothers' meeting was held. Much house to house visiting was done. Everybody interested.

Many of you have received extra copies of the MESSAGE of January issue. The same are to be given to some friend whom you wish to become interested in the suffrage work. Do not fail to give it out.

Mr. George J. Marott, the proprietor of the largest shoe store in the State, is located on East Washington street, Indianapolis. He offers to give to the Marion County W. C. T. U. five per cent of his gross receipts on February 8th. Every Marion County Union ought to canvass its neighborhood and secure pledges from friends of temperance to make at least one purchase at Marott's on that day. Show your interest by your works.

Mrs. Henrietta E. White, of Versailles Union, writes that the Union was organized February, 1884. Each year, on the anniversary, an indoor picnic is held at the home of one of the members. Each member takes a well filled basket of good things for dinner. The hostess provides coffee and cream. The day is greatly enjoyed by all.

All of our unions, large and small, are expected to hold an anniversary meeting on February 17th, commemorating our dear Miss Willard's Heavenly birthday. The program sent out by the National Officers, with suggestive helps, will be very helpful. Let this be a time for special prayers for renewed consecration to the work for God and Home and Humanity. We need more earnest Christian women and men to help us. Let there be a special effort made to secure members, regular and honorary.

#### HOAGLAND.

The year 1898 surely closed a very successful year for our W. C. T. U. Mother Trish was with us eleven nights in December; had one Mother's meeting and made several house to house visits. Through her untiring efforts we gained twelve members, four honoraries, and twenty-three signed the pledge. We feel that much good seed was sown, and pray that it may all bring forth fruit an hundred fold. Since our number has increased much we trust our success may increase accordingly for the year 1899.

IDA J. MCINTOSH,  
County Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. Mary C. Woody, the former president of the North Carolina W. C. T. U., while sojourning in Boone county, our state, is greatly assisting in getting our W. C. T. U. work there on an aggressive basis. We extend to her our cordial appreciation of her efficient, loving service.

Lebanon and Thorntown have each held a colored concert. We are rejoiced because our Unions are using their influence toward developing the great musical talents of the colored people. In many communities temperance jubilee singers might be secured. After some practice these would become very helpful to our cause by singing our sentiments. We need these people, and they in turn need the W. C. T. U. Where ever possible, I hope the Unions will also organize oratorical contest classes among the colored boys and girls.

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MRS. W. A. MCL.

To all who send 70 cents to this office before March 1, 1899, we will send the MESSAGE and the *New Crusade* one year.



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## MID-YEAR MEETING.

The Mid-Year Executive Meeting will be held at Wabash, March 29-30, in the Presbyterian church. Every County President is expected to answer to roll call at 10:30 o'clock A. M., on the 29th. A Superintendent's conference will be held at the time of the executive committee meeting, beginning at 10:30 o'clock A. M., March 29, in the Presbyterian church. All persons attending the Mid-Year meeting should go from the station to the Presbyterian church.

At the Mid-Year Conference on March 30, all State Superintendents, Organizers and Evangelists will be expected to make a report of the work accomplished since last September.

The generous hospitality of the Wabash Union is extended to all the above mentioned. Send your name and the time of your arrival at Wabash immediately to Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash, so that you may be assigned entertainment.

On account of the legislative matter and Institute plans in the last MESSAGE, much material was left set in type and not used until this issue, thus crowding out some very important and interesting communications from State Officers, State Superintendents, County Presidents and from the Local Unions. This I regret more than I can express. Each sister will, I hope, consider the circumstances and deal kindly with the editor.

## A COMPLIMENT.

Mrs. Herr, the State Treasurer of the Connecticut W. C. T. U. says that she eagerly reads the Indiana MESSAGE, and that she gets more practical plans for work from it than from any other State paper in the nation.

## TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES.

Please urge your County Presidents to attend the Mid-Year Meeting at Wabash, March 29-30; sickness being the only cause sufficient for absence. Your county can not attain to its best unless your leader fully understands the policy and plan of the State and National. Tell her that your county must be represented, for her to go and her expenses will be met by the county. If she can not attend, please send some one to represent the county.

The Local Unions that are honored with the membership of a State Superintendent of Department will confer a great favor on them and on the State by urging them to attend the Mid-Year Meeting. If possible, donate something toward their railroad fare. We need them at the conference, and they need to be there.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

## LETTER FROM A STATE ORGANIZER.

My delay in giving an account of field work, as per your request, has seemed unavoidable on account of pressure of correspondence, preparation for Institutes, etc. I see you have gotten very much of it in a most interesting way through the local correspondence.

A few changes in the conditions of the work are quite noticeable.

1. More doors are opening. Church doors swing wide.
2. More ministers are proclaiming a no-license gospel; especially young ministers.
3. Prejudice is softening and people are more willing to think and listen.
4. Our W. C. T. U. members are planning their work more thoughtfully and intelligently, and are reaching better results.

Going unannounced, one minister (an able one whose congregation liked to hear him preach), gave me his pulpit for the Sabbath evening service. At the close of the service he quietly but publicly gave his name for membership in the W. C. T. U. Other leading members did likewise.

Another minister in a large city, about two hundred miles from the one just named, having a similar intelligent charge, freely gave his pulpit Sabbath evening, not claiming that it was for our cause merely, but for his cause as a minister of the gospel, for the cause recognized by the Christian church the world over, and for Christ's cause as touching aggressive work against the drink demon, the most formidable enemy of Christianity.

At the close of the service he spoke a few words in that knowledge and acceptance of the truth which makes men free, and twenty-three gave their names for membership in our organization, including the minister and members of his official board. Others joined the ranks at the time of the organization of a Union the day following.

At another church where a revival service was in progress (and where with some of our W. C. T. U. members, I had attended a few meetings), I was invited by the minister to occupy his pulpit on Sabbath morning, he going to a neighboring charge.

The service was on gospel temperance lines. At its close a man who had been voting a license ticket decided that a Christian could not vote for license.

At another church where the service was a Bible Reading on Christian Citizenship, a voter who has a family of a wife and three bright little boys, and who believes in christianity at the ballot box as well as in the prayer meeting, handed me a dollar, saying he did it not as a compensation for service but to emphasize his appreciation for the twenty Prohibition votes which he was sure had been made.

Scientific Temperance Instruction, where taken up by Local or County Unions and workers have been called, has been courteously and appreciatively received by teachers and school officials (the latter in some cases defraying the larger part of the expense.)

Teachers are asking for the best literature on the subject. The presentation in the public schools has been eagerly received by the pupils, and strange as it may seem, the pupils of the high school, who have been most touched and blighted by the deadly cigarette and other evil habits, have been most enthusiastic in their applause where these evils have been arraigned and painted black in the presentation.

It remains for our membership to say to what extent it will supplement our Indiana laws for Scientific Temperance Instruction and against the cigarette.

Cordially yours for entering all doors,

MARY HADLEY.

The State Treasurer's blanks were sent out February 28. Let every W. C. T. U. woman assist the Treasurers, both Local and County, in making this quarter's receipts larger than any other corresponding quarter for years. In what way, do you ask? By not waiting for her to call upon you for her dues, but by sending to her yours and one other that has been secured through your efforts. Strive to make the report your Union and county show a greater gain than any other and you will reap your reward in a greatly increased membership. I regret this paper does not go to every treasurer in the State. Send reports to me that I may receive them by the 25th of March.

Yours for a greatly increased membership this quarter.

A. T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

## FIELD NOTES.

March 31, opening date for Institutes.

Let all members be present at the first meeting.

A most interesting part of the program to be given at the meeting. See program in the February MESSAGE.

Preserve February MESSAGE for schedule of dates, detail of Institute plan, Franchise, etc.

County Presidents, preserve report blanks for Institute sent you by State Superintendent, and report promptly and fully.

The Mid-Year impetus given to our work through the Institutes has been great, especially in counties where the County President has had the zeal and tact to secure a good attendance for her members; and to have every Local Union represented on the program. We predict that many counties this year will surpass their former good record.

Every County Executive should be ambitious to be on the Institute roll of honor for a full attendance throughout the session. This roll is to be exhibited at the State Convention.

That zeal for our work and that faith which hopeth all things, endureth all things, believeth all things, will lead to such a wise planning that even the house cleaning will be gotten out of the way of the Institute.

Keep in mind the date for your Institute and plan accordingly.

Let us preempt the entire State for our work, through the Institutes this spring. A little energy and timely planning on the part of all, and especially county and local officers, will secure this most desirable result.

Many women feel that they can not do much W. C. T. U. work. These, as well as all officers and Superintendents of Local Unions, should attend their County Institute. Your presence will be helpful. Just now resolve to do this much for the cause. Invite your husband to attend also.

## ANNIVERSARY MEETINGS.

February 17th, the anniversary of our loved leader Frances E. Willard's Heavenly birthday, was very generally observed by the Unions in our State.

Marion county held an all day Union meeting in the First Baptist church, Indianapolis. The power of the spirit of God was manifest in the hearts of the people. Many lives were reconsecrated to the great work for humanity.

New London Union had a good audience and excellent program. Three honorary members were secured. The Union is encouraged.

Peru Union held an interesting meeting and gained three new members.

Thorntown Union held an inspiring meeting.

Montpelier Union's meeting was helpful to the membership. A club for the MESSAGE will be sent in.

Shelbyville Y held an unusually interesting meeting at the home of its President, Mrs. Van Pelt. Mrs. Belle Flowers read an original poem. The program was excellent and the audience very appreciative.

The Y's are marching on.—EDITOR.

Mrs. Daisy Shouts, President St. Joseph county, assisted by her Executive, organized a Y at South Bend with ten members, with Miss Andrews, of 418 South Carroll street, as President.

Peru Union had a splendid meeting. Gained three new members.

Mrs. Mary J. Thomas, of Modoc, gave a reception to the Union. Fifty-six present. The program was so entertaining they received invitations to hold a meeting at another place.

The Camden Union was organized December 22, 1898. Consists of four active and three honorary members, and is struggling to live and accomplish something.

MRS. J. O. ENGLEMAN.

Your MESSAGE is immense.—President Kansas W. C. T. U.

Lochiel has ten honorary members.

Manson Union sends the Union Signal and MESSAGE to all the ministers there.

South Bend Central presented our State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance with three dollars for her Department.

Hartford City sent thirty-five names for the MESSAGE, and more to follow. Paid membership, twenty-nine. Who comes next?

INDIANA EXCELS ALL OTHER STATES IN ITS INSTITUTE PLAN.



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## Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

All Iowa Unions pay \$1.00 membership fee, which includes a subscription to the State paper.

Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, President of Amo Union and a member of the Hadley Industrial School Board, is a great sufferer. The MESSAGE extends sympathy and love.

Please accept our thanks for the February number of the MESSAGE. We consider it the handsomest number we have ever received. By order of the Greensburg Union.

Thorntown Union rejoices because of the enlistment of Mrs. L. J. Thomas, a most promising worker for her people in the colored department. She is a speaker, a musician with youth and position to help her.

From Decatur we learn of much good being accomplished by the efforts of Mrs. Teats. Rev. Mrs. Pearse writes that the interest was intense, and the Union feels encouraged to go forward.

Write us your objections to the paper, if you have any, that we may overcome them. If you have none, will you not join the club and help make our paper the banner paper of the United States? Try to make your subscription list equal to your membership.

Westfield Union mourns the loss of Mrs. Miriam Spray, Mrs. Martha B. Stanley and Morris Jessup, the husband of Mrs. Rachel Jessup. Appropriate resolutions have been received and will appear in the next issue of the MESSAGE.

Mrs. Ella Brown, the President of the Kansas W. C. T. U., writes that the MESSAGE is fine and buys some copies to put into the hands of women in seven of her districts.

At the recent State Convention of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the following recommendation was adopted: "That the membership fee be \$1.00 per annum, this to include a subscription to 'Our Message'—the Bay State official organ.

For use on the Sample Table at the Mid-Year Meeting, Unions are asked to donate a copy of their annual program, and also copies of all printed matter used during this year. Send immediately to Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires, of Martinsville, has spent some time in Posey county, where she and baby Squires won laurels for themselves and for the W. C. T. U. New members were added to the Unions, and the workers greatly encouraged. The County Executive has invited her to return for one month's work, at as early a date as possible. Mrs. Squires is an earnest, faithful worker who is greatly appreciated by the Unions securing her services.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, our National Superintendent of Franchise, who, with the assistance of Mrs. Tompkins, our State Superintendent, so ably conducted our Legislative work, is still with us and is meeting with excellent success everywhere. She remains in Indiana until the 16th, then returns to Chicago. A full write-up of her work will be given in April issue of the MESSAGE.

A call by our State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Katie W. Holler, is sent out for special work and prayer in behalf of the Christian

Sabbath for the week following Easter week, April 9th to 16th. All Local Unions are requested to hold special meetings during the week, and to ask the ministers to preach a sermon upon the subject.

Hartford City Union has issued a beautiful program. Gospel meetings are held at the poor farm and libraries are kept there and at the county jail. Flowers are sent on the holidays for the prisoners' table. Thanksgiving day, roses; Christmas, holly and roses; New Year's day, carnations.

Frankfort Union secured Miss Marie C. Brehm for three day's service. She spoke morning and evening in the M. E. Church, Sunday, February 19. She preached a most beautiful and logical sermon in the morning, her subject being "A Great Conception of God." Even the most prejudiced pronounced it grand. In the evening she chose "Woman" as her subject, using bible arguments, and Woman's Enfranchisement was presented as only Miss Brehm can present it.

Our week day meetings were all and more than we expected, on account of the inclement weather, and while the meetings were not as successful as we had hoped, yet we know much good seed has been sown, and many were led to see the "Woman question" from a different standpoint.

The Frankfort Union aims to procure only first-class speakers. Miss Brehm has spoken in all the large churches in our city, and they are open to her whenever she returns.

## INDIANA L. T. L. GRADUATES, ATTENTION.

This is the month for the payment of State L. T. L. graduates' dues, 25 cents. Please be prompt. We started in this year with an empty treasury and unless there is a generous response from the graduates we will have no money for our State Convention. Where there are a number of graduates, will not some one person be responsible for collecting and sending in the dues?

INA BOYER,  
Frankfort. State Treasurer.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Amanda S. Kauffman, Secretary of Goshen Y, writes: We try not to get into a rut, we vary our programs as much as possible. Sometimes the program is musical with recitations, sometimes we devote the evening to select readings and discussions. At other times we ask the Y's to save clippings from our daily papers in regard to the liquor traffic, which are read and commented upon. Frequently much of the evening is given to a good social time. We earn the dues by serving light refreshments, for which a small sum is charged. We hold our meetings regularly every two weeks on Friday evening and also on Saturday evening. The afternoon meetings are made especially interesting to the younger members.

This year the local unions have arranged the best programs ever used in our State. In design some of them are very unique and attractive.

The invitation extended by the Wabash Union to the Mid-Year Executive is most cordial. It includes the State Superintendents and is extended with a heartiness that is much appreciated.

The President of the United States is authorized under the law to "make and publish regulations for the government of the army." President Hayes issued this order in 1881: "In view of the well-known fact that the sale of intoxicating liquors in the army of the United States is the cause of much demoralization among both officers and men, and that it gives rise to a large proportion of the cases before general and garrison courts-martial, involving great expense and serious injury to the service, it is therefore directed that the Secretary of War take suitable steps, as far as practicable consistently with vested rights, to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage at the camps, forts and other posts of the army." What President Hayes did President McKinley could do—if he would.

Every County W. C. T. U. is requested to have a county song not to exceed three verses. The same to be reported at the mid year meeting.

How many life members have you in your Union?

The Union that reports to the State President the largest gain of "paid up" honorary members by June 15th, will receive a life sized picture of Miss Willard.

Some counties have held four executive committee meetings since the State Convention. Others haven't held one. No person should be satisfied to hold the office of County President and not secure the co-operation of the County Executive Committee.

If a County President is enthusiastic and energetic, anxious to push organization, it is surely very discouraging to have a majority on her Executive Committee who object to all her plans and never propose any themselves. If a member of a committee does not offer an aggressive plan and some one else does, it is the very easiest thing possible to "object and do nothing." Oh, for the women who will put into execution some of the faith they profess to have!

## NOTES FROM MORGAN COUNTY.

Mrs. Teats was at Martinsville Thursday and Friday before Christmas. It was an unfavorable time to plan for her, but we have made up our minds to take advantage of the opportunity of having every special worker offered us whenever it is at all possible.

She strikes hard at evil in all places, especially in high places, and her address on "Pitching Tents," was in its full meaning. Pitching tents toward Sodom was as strong in word painting and argument as the subject suggests.

We hope to have Mrs. Teats with us again, and would be glad to have her for a number of days through our county.

Contest at Centerton New Year's eve.

L. T. L. organized at Centerton New Year's day

Centerton has no Union, but this is the second contest Mrs. Squiers has held there, she having in view all the while the organization of an L. T. L.

The class was composed of the following young ladies: Myrtle Garret, Emma Sliger, Maggie Winkler, Maud Richardson, Esty Sargent and Clara Robinson. The medal was awarded to Miss Garret, who is a school teacher. Miss Maud Richardson received second honor. Mrs. Lora Swain, of Martinsville, who is Morgan county's efficient L. T. L. Superintendent, attended the contest, and next morning she and Mrs. Squiers organized an L. T. L. of twenty-one members. This was considered a fine start for so small a place.

Centerton has a church house, but no church organization, and the Sunday school is the only religious organization there.

The L. T. L. was organized immediately after the Sunday school, and almost the entire school remained. The parents and older people evinced much interest, and the Sunday School Superintendent said: "I believe this is going to be a grand thing for Centerton, and I can see what a great help it will be for our Sunday school."

Miss Eva McKan, an earnest, capable young lady who is a member of the Brooklyn Union, is the Superintendent. Miss Maud Richardson was appointed president, the other officers were appointed from among the larger members and either Mrs. Swain or Mrs. Squiers will be with them on pledge signing day to assist with the election of officers and to get them fully started. The way is opening for several other legions in this county and we desire to announce to other counties that Morgan proposes to keep the L. T. L. banner received at State convention for organization.

Martinsville Union will make every member a subscriber to the MESSAGE.

Martinsville L. T. L. organized last summer with 22 members, now has 166 enrolled. We have a number of large boys in the legion.

You seem to find room in the MESSAGE for so many good things I wish to enter a plea for one more—report of work done by Local and County Unions. These will come up to the Unions and to Conventions in due time, no doubt, but is it not well for us to provoke one another to good works by reporting, very briefly of course, meetings held, a lecture given, a sermon preached, or some such service, as we go on with the work through the year? I know of a few good meetings held this year on the subject of Peace. I hope several have been held that I do not know of. Who will report in this Department? And, please, will not every County Superintendent of this Department in the State send me on postal card her name and address by the 14th of February? Address until that time, at 120 South Sixteenth street, Richmond, Ind.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Supt. Dept. Peace and Arbitration.

"The more highly cultivated a woman is, the more deeply she feels the humiliation of being disfranchised."

ZERELDA G. WALLACE.

The men who refuse the ballot to women can show no title to their own.

"Political power inheres in the people." Women are people.

## ATTENTION, METHODISTS!

The Epworth Herald of January 28 is a Prohibition special containing much valuable information, such as every voter ought to have. Nineteen pages are devoted to the presentation of arguments, facts and figures favoring prohibition. Charts are also given. The army canteen responsibility is put where it belongs. Hon. John G. Woolley's Prohibition Projectiles in it are most convincing and should be read by every Christian.

This issue will be sent out at the rate of \$1.00 per hundred copies until supply is exhausted. Let nothing prevent you from getting several hundred copies into the hands of the Leaguers and church members. This is an opportunity. Don't fail to act promptly before supply is exhausted. Address Curtis & Jennings, 57 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.



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*Orphans' Home and Homeless Children*—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, Wabash.  
*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Relation of Temperance to Labor and Law Statistics*—Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount.  
*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary A. Moody, Indianapolis.  
*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.

## EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Rev. Ella J. Davis, Richmond.  
*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Livonia.  
*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. J. B. Sucece, LaFayette.  
*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
*Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, Vincennes.  
*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wirt Holler, South Bend.

## SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Anna Carr, Anderson.  
*State and County Fair*—Mrs. M. A. L. Colton, Franklin.

## LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Lecturer*, Mrs. Helen Gougar, LaFayette.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Almira L. Staples, South Bend.

## ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. A. B. Church, Crown Point; Mrs. Anna O. Eldridge, Irving-  
 ton; Mrs. Jennie Houghton, Richmond; Mrs. Julia Trish, War-  
 saw; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington; Mrs. Belle Flowers, Shel-  
 byville; Mrs. Hulda Rader, Petersburg; Mrs. Gulia Shugart,  
 Jonesboro; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.



AMANDA KNOWLTON,  
 Whose letter was in the January MESSAGE.

The boundary line of Indiana is not so formidable but that her inhabitants may escape to other parts of our domain, and view her from a distance. The writer is spending the winter months with a sister in the active town of Danville, Ill., and from the push and up-to-dateness of this place, it might be taken for a suburb of Chicago.

The coming of the daily mail is a matter of interest, as it keeps one in close touch with the Hadley Home, which is the center and circumference of my present thoughts. The bright, sweet letters from the girls, telling of their good resolutions for the coming year, are indeed inspiring. Here is a specimen of the resolutions as expressed by almost every child in the home.

Annie Seely says, "I am resolved not to whisper or laugh in school. I will not idle my time away, but study every minute."

"I will mind my teacher and all the officers in the Home who have charge of me." "I will not fuss." "I have resolved to obey the golden rule."

This dear girl seems to appreciate her present home in a high degree. She is tall and slender in form, with black eyes and intelligent face. Father dead and mother unable to support her, and she was placed in a Catholic home at Cincinnati, O. She often tells the other girls of the happy change she made in coming to Hadley. She enjoys the freedom of its broad acres, as a field of action where she can come in communion with nature, and nature's God. The birds and flowers, as well as the domestic animals and fowls on the farm, are her friends. The girls all feel they have an ownership in every little calf and pig that comes to the Home, and the dear little chickens are "too-cute-for-anything," and the first ripe strawberry brings joy unbounded. These girls have the most and the best mothers of any children I ever heard of. Over four thousand mothers to love them and provide for them, and the best mothers in all our fair State. For who can stand for higher or broader principles than the W. C. T. U. women of Indiana? This is not an institution of a day. It is born to live and send out women from its doors of high ideals and useful habits to take part in the world's work.

There is no estimating the difference it may make in the world to have the course in life of many girls changed from a low to a high plan of living and thinking, and this is the work we have undertaken. It means much time given, and prayerful thought on the part of those who are striving to carry forward this initial work. We must look into the far-beyond, and plan for larger accommodations, and more girls. We are already nearly full.

It will mean a little more self-denial; a farther donation and enlarged views. But is there not joy in taking a hand in the building of an institution that is to stand, and increase in usefulness as long as the organization of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana shall exist?

LUCRETIA HOBART,  
 President Board.

## A LETTER.

Perhaps it would be of interest to you to hear about our Christmas from the tallest but not the oldest girl in the home. My name is Grace Griffin. I came from Princeton, Ind., and I am thirteen years old. On Christmas Eve we saw our Christmas tree. It was a large cedar tree and its boughs were laden with gifts from Old Santa Claus; it seems as if he could not forget us. I think he just emptied his sack at our door. We were surprised when we saw our tree and we all had a nice time examining our presents. Some of our neighbors came to spend the evening with us. We passed the evening in happiness, marching, speaking pieces and singing. It seemed as if the little Christ child was peeping in to share our fun and that his radiant smile shown down upon us. After having a nice time we retired for the night to dream sweet dreams about the Babe in the manger and to see the brightness of His glory, and to hear the tramp of Santa's reindeer as he climbed down the chimney, and on tip toe he distributed the handkerchiefs and then with a chuckle glided away to wait until it was time for him to come again. On Christmas Day we had devotional exercises, and thanked God for giving us such sweet slumber and for sparing our lives to celebrate the birth of the "Son of Man." We went to Sunday School and church in the morning and received a treat of candy and nuts from our teachers. After eating our dinner we ate candy and nuts, and some spent the time in reading, writing and other things. After enjoying our Christmas dinner on Monday we had our exercises in the chapel. It was decorated with cedar and with drawings on the board. A little Christmas tree was on the platform.

Many people came to hear us. We went in marching and singing and took our seats. We had a long program. We sang first and then repeated Paul's prayer. Eph. 3d chapter.

Seven little girls had a dialogue. After each said her part she lighted a candle and put on the Xmas tree and then all marched around it singing "Love lights all the rest."

On the tree were a great many dolls that looked like little fairies trying to hide their sweet little faces from the glow of the candles, and from us. On the tree were strings of popcorn candy and a great many other things. Some of we girls received bundles from our parents. We received a large box from the Class "Aloha," First Baptist Sunday School, Indianapolis, containing handkerchiefs, ribbons, dolls and candy.

We received a box of nuts from Mr. Parker, a kind gentleman of Rockport. We think he must be interested in all of us. We received blotters from the Park School, LaPorte; pin-cushions from Mrs. Robinson, of Indianapolis, and handkerchiefs from Miss Mary A. Townsend, of Richmond. Almost all the Unions that had a girl here sent candy. Mr. Bailes, a kind old gentleman of Hadley, sent us candy.

We appreciate all of our Christmas presents very much, and thank you very much for remembering us so kindly. We feel that you are interested in us and trying to help us. We hope to grow up to be good women and help to make the world better. By the guiding hand of the One who dwells and reigns above, we will try to be a credit to those who love and do so much for us.

We appreciate our home very much and thank all the ladies of the W. C. T. U. for spending their time and strength for us. I will close hoping you had a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We think you did, for when we give anything it always brings happiness. "It is more blessed to give than receive."

Your loving little friend,  
 GRACE GRIFFIN.

Since our last writing we have received the pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Addison Hadley, the donors of our Home; also the picture of Mrs. Melinda Ridgeway from LaPorte. Hamilton County remembered us with a box of clothing, gingham, toweling, books and dolls, sent by Mrs. Maggie Cox. Many thanks to them. Our children are all in their usual health. Our school is prospering under the management of Miss Angell. We still have twenty-two girls in the Home.

CLORINDA J. HANNARS,  
 Superintendent.

## LEGISLATIVE.

The support given the Resolution to amend the Constitution so as to grant the right of suffrage to women by the Senate and its recommendation for the favorable consideration by the next General Assembly is in strange contrast to the action of the Speaker of the House of Representatives who ruled the Resolution out of order, and refused to allow the committee to make a report.



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER,  
NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

## RECEIPTS—DUES.

Decatur.....\$2 50	Indianapolis, Cen- tral.....\$1 00
Hoagland..... 2 50	Indianapolis, N. E. 1 50
Ft. Wayne, Willard 7 00	Indianapolis, S. East 1 50
Hope..... 2 00	Indianapolis, Tarl- ton..... 1 00
Petersville..... 1 50	Indianapolis, Maple- ton..... 50
Columbus..... 1 50	Indianapolis, Merid- ian..... 8 00
Boswell..... 4 00	Valley Mills..... 4 00
Oxford..... 50	Bridgeport..... 50
Otterbein..... 1 50	Irvington..... 3 50
Lochiel..... 50	Plymouth..... 50
Talbot..... 1 00	Argos..... 1 50
Hartford City..... 50	Bourbon..... 2 50
Thorntown..... 4 00	Hindoostan..... 1 00
Lebanon..... 5 00	Loogootee..... 6 50
Zionsville..... 1 25	Bunker Hill..... 3 50
Flora..... 50	Peru..... 5 50
Galveston..... 1 00	Amboy..... 1 00
Logansport, Central 3 00	Bloomington..... 5 00
Brazil..... 8 50	Crawfordsville..... 4 00
Marengo..... 3 00	Martinsville..... 1 50
Alton..... 1 00	Kentland..... 1 50
Washington..... 2 00	Morocco..... 1 50
Dillsboro..... 1 00	Albion..... 2 50
Moore's Hill..... 2 80	Ligonier..... 2 00
Greensburg..... 4 00	La Otta..... 2 00
Auburn..... 7 50	Wawaka..... 1 50
Butler..... 5 50	Coloma..... 2 50
Waterloo..... 5 00	Bloomington..... 1 50
St. Joe..... 4 50	Hebron..... 2 00
Garrett..... 2 00	Valparaiso..... 2 00
Muncie..... 1 50	Mt. Vernon..... 1 00
Albany..... 1 00	Stewartsville..... 2 00
Eaton..... 50	Francesville..... 1 00
Nappanee..... 1 50	Greencastle..... 2 00
Elkhart..... 2 00	Cedar..... 1 50
Bristol..... 50	Versailles..... 2 50
Middlebury..... 1 00	Carthage..... 2 00
Goshen..... 5 00	Manilla..... 2 50
Rochester..... 5 00	Milroy..... 1 50
Kewana..... 50	Walnut Ridge..... 2 50
Princeton..... 1 00	Rockport..... 8 00
S. Marion..... 7 00	Angola..... 4 50
Fairmount..... 1 00	Ashley..... 1 00
Upland..... 3 00	Freemont..... 1 50
Back Creek..... 50	Pleasant Lake..... 2 00
Oak Ridge..... 50	South Bend, Central 2 50
Deer Creek..... 5 50	South Bend, Colfax Ave..... 1 00
Pt. Isabel..... 2 50	South Bend, N Side 2 50
Marion..... 4 50	Lafayette..... 7 00
Mary Hadley Union 50	East Lafayette..... 3 00
Mathews..... 2 00	Lafayette Central... 5 00
Worthington..... 50	Stockwell..... 50
Atlanta..... 5 00	Brownsville..... 1 00
Western Grove..... 2 50	Liberty..... 50
Coatsville..... 50	Evansville..... 50
Plainfield..... 2 00	Lamasco..... 1 50
New Castle..... 1 00	Dana..... 1 50
Sims..... 1 00	Terre Haute West Side..... 2 00
Kokomo..... 5 00	Terre Haute, Joice.. 3 00
Greentown..... 2 50	North Manchester.. 8 00
Phlox..... 4 50	South Wabash..... 1 25
Findley..... 50	Boonville..... 5 20
West Middleton..... 50	Richmond, Willard 3 70
Huntington..... 5 00	Richmond, M. F. Thomas..... 3 00
Warren..... 3 00	Fountain City..... 50
Greenwood..... 50	Economy..... 50
Stones Crossing..... 2 00	Centerville..... 1 00
Franklin..... 2 00	Bluffton..... 6 50
Vincennes..... 5 00	Ossian..... 5 00
Freelandville..... 1 00	Poneto..... 2 00
Milford..... 4 25	Idaville..... 2 50
Crown Point..... 1 00	Chalmers..... 50
Hammond..... 1 00	Churubusco..... 3 75
LaPorte..... 5 00	South Whitley..... 2 00
Westville..... 50	Independent..... 50
Bedford..... 2 00	Total.....\$392 20
Pendleton..... 2 00	
Anderson..... 2 50	
Lapel..... 3 00	
Alexandria..... 50	
Elwood, Willard..... 2 00	
Elwood, Brehm..... 2 00	
Frankton..... 3 50	

## Y DUES.

Martinsville.....\$0 50	Idaville.....\$5 00
Carmel..... 1 00	Goshen..... 8 00
Shelbyville..... 5 00	LaPorte..... 2 50
Francesville..... 5 50	Anderson..... 1 00
New Albany..... 3 00	Total.....31 50

## RECEIPTS.


Balance from last year.....	\$293 14
Collections at State Convention.....	79 76
LaFayette Convention Fund.....	33 50
Sale of Record Books.....	42 90
Percentage on National two dollar fund .....	21 97
Prohibition hand books.....	7 50
Pictures and buttons.....	11 35
Rebate on tickets to State Convention.....	4 25
Convention badges.....	13 15
Return from MESSAGE postals.....	5 75
Sale of literature at State Convention.....	3 00
Collection at Nat. Convention benefit night...	3 00
Life membership in National Convention for Luella F. McWhirter.....	12 00
Return check C. J. Vayhinger.....	1 00
County dues Rockport.....	1 20
Sale of minutes.....	25 15
Hadley school, from Morgan county.....	10 00
" " from Howard county.....	10 00
" " from Atlanta W. C. T. U.....	6 00
Total.....	\$1008 32

## DISBURSEMENTS.

National Treasurer.....	\$84 74
State Convention Expenses.....	28 62
" " " L. F. McWhirter..	4 60
" " " Mary Hadley.....	10 25
" " " Mary Balch.....	4 57
" " " Mattie O. Cammack	6 91
" " " A. T. Whitson.....	4 45
State Superintendent.....	170 25
Prohibition hand books.....	8 00
Half collections to L. T. L., Sec'y., Y evening..	3 03
Half collections to Y Secretary, Y evening.....	3 03
Appropriation L. T. L. Secretary.....	15 00
Appropriation Y Secretary.....	15 00
Printing Treasurer's Record Books.....	41 00
Deficit in organization, Mattie O. Cammack...	1 22
Deficit in organization, Allie Anderson.....	2 00
Appropriation, L. F. McWhirter.....	52 50
" " Mary E. Balch.....	125 00
" " Mattie O. Cammack.....	65 00
Local Com. Convention fund at LaFayette .....	39 00
Laura Thompson, exp. Central Com. Meeting..	2 60
Mary Hadley, " " " " ..	4 30
Alice Geary, " " " " ..	4 60
L. F. McWhirter, expenses Nat'l. Conventon	32 96
L. F. McWhirter, postage.....	23 00
Mary Hadley, postage.....	2 34
" " supplies and stationery.....	55
Mary E. Balch, postage.....	15 18
" " " car fare.....	3 45
" " " supplies.....	1 96
Amanda T. Whitson, postage.....	24 97
" " " supplies.....	2 07
Pictures of Addison and Martha Hadley for Hadley Industrial School.....	20 00
Mattie O. Cammack, Committee meetings.....	7 45
" " " postage.....	2 00
" " " supplies.....	70
Helen Barker, life membership for L. F. Mc- Whirter.....	25 00
Legislative work.....	17 00
State printing, stationery and blanks.....	54 35
Y dues, Y Secretary.....	12 60
Hadley School Treasurer .....	26 00
Secretary's Record Books.....	37 00
National dues .....	84 74
Balance.....	4 07
Total.....	\$1008 32

Counties having gained, and the number of mem-  
bers gained is represented by each 50 cents received by  
the State Treasurer.

Allen.....\$9 50	Madison.....\$3 00
Benton..... 6 00	Martin..... 1 00
Boone..... 4 25	Miami.....10 00
Brazil..... 6 50	Montgomery..... 4 00
Crawford..... 4 00	Posey..... 1 50
Garrett.....17 50	Pulaski..... 6 50
Delaware..... 1 00	Randolph..... 1 00
Elkhart..... 4 50	Ripley..... 2 50
Floyd..... 50	Rush..... 2 00
Fulton..... 5 50	Shelby..... 5 00
Grant..... 9 50	Spencer..... 8 00
Hamilton..... 5 00	Steuben..... 50
Huntington..... 2 50	Tippecanoe..... 9 00
Johnson..... 2 50	Vermillion..... 50
Knox..... 6 00	Warrick..... 2 70
Kosciusko..... 2 75	Wells..... 7 00
Lake..... 50	White..... 3 00
LaPorte..... 2 50	Whitley..... 1 25

Unions having gained, and the number of mem-  
bers gained in each. 

Hoagland.....\$2 50	Anderson.....\$1 00
Ft. Wayne, Willard 7 00	Elwood, Brehm..... 2 00
Hope..... 2 00	Pendleton..... 2 00
Talbot..... 50	Frankton..... 3 50
Boswell..... 4 00	Valley Mills..... 1 50
Otterbein..... 1 50	Irvington..... 1 00
Lochiel..... 50	Loogootee..... 3 00
Lebanon..... 5 00	Bunker Hill..... 3 50
Galveston..... 1 00	Peru..... 5 50
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Marengo..... 3 00	Martinsville..... 1 50
Washington..... 1 50	Ligonier..... 50
Auburn..... 6 50	LaOtta..... 50
Garrett..... 1 50	Valparaiso..... 50
Waterloo..... 4 00	Mt. Vernon..... 1 00
St. Joe..... 3 50	Stewartsville..... 2 00
Butler..... 2 00	Francesville..... 1 00
Muncie..... 50	Francesville Y..... 5 50
Goshen..... 50	Cedar..... 1 50
Goshen Y..... 5 00	Versailles..... 2 50
Nappanee..... 1 00	Carthage..... 2 00
New Albany Y..... 3 00	Manilla..... 1 00
Rochester..... 5 00	Walnut Ridge..... 2 50
Kewanna..... 50	Shelbyville Y..... 5 00
Upland..... 50	Rockport..... 8 00
Deer Creek..... 2 00	Pleasant Lake..... 1 50
South Marion..... 5 50	Lafayette..... 2 00
Marion..... 2 00	East Lafayette..... 1 50
Pt. Isabel..... 2 00	Central Lafayette... 5 00
Atlanta..... 5 00	Stockwell..... 50
Carmel Y..... 1 00	Liberty..... 50
Plainfield..... 1 00	Dana..... 50
New Castle..... 1 00	Terre Haute, Emma Joice..... 3 00
Greentown..... 1 00	North Manchester.. 2 50
Huntington..... 50	Booneville..... 2 70
Warren..... 3 00	Mary F. Thomas... 1 00
Stones Crossing..... 2 00	Bluffton..... 4 00
Greenwood..... 50	Ossian..... 1 00
Vincennes..... 5 00	Poneto..... 2 00
Freelandville..... 1 00	Idaville..... 2 50
Milford..... 4 25	Idaville Y..... 5 00
Crown Point..... 1 00	Chalmers..... 50
LaPorte..... 2 00	South Whitley..... 2 00
LaPorte Y..... 2 50	

The liquor men dictated the Committee on Tem-  
perance Legislation in the Indiana House of Repre-  
sentatives. A bill restricting saloons to the business  
part of all cities of over 8,000 population was intro-  
duced and referred to said committee. The majority  
report was against it. The three temperance men on  
committee submitted a minority report in favor of the  
bill, which caused some lively debate, and carried.  
Now if the Senators are sufficiently urged by letters,  
petitions, etc., from their constituents it will carry in  
the Senate and become a law.

## BENTON COUNTY.

The Lochiel Union held a Matron's Silver Medal  
Contest January 21. Medal awarded to Mrs. Eunice  
Fullerton. Subject: Infirm of Purpose! Give me  
the Daggers. The audience was very large and ap-  
preciative. The Union feels much good has been  
done and that the people are putting on their "Tem-  
perance thinking cap." Our Spring Institute will be  
held in Lochiel February 22, 23 and 24.

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## THE MID-YEAR CONFERENCE.

The Mid-year Meeting was held at Wabash, March 29 and 30, in the Presbyterian church. The State Superintendents and the State Executive Committee each held an all day meeting on Wednesday, the 29th.

In the evening of the 29th the Mid-year Conference was cordially welcomed on behalf of the city by the Mayor, Hon. J. E. McHenry; the churches, by Dr. Chas. Little, pastor of the Presbyterian church; the schools, by the Superintendent, Prof. W. M. Harrison; the W. C. T. U., by Mrs. A. L. Rokbock.

In an earnest, beautiful manner, Mrs. Elma Emerson, President of Whitley county, responded on behalf of the White Ribboners. In an enthusiastic manner Master James Gipe, President of the Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion, responded on behalf of the Legioners.

On Thursday morning, March 30, at 10:00 o'clock, the first Mid-year Conference of the Indiana W. C. T. U. was called to order. Devotional services, led by Mrs. Anna O. Eldridge.

A symposium on Our Departments, was conducted by the Superintendents, twenty-two of whom were present and in an earnest, effective manner presented their departments.

In the afternoon The Field was represented by the Organizers; The Message, by the business manager, Mrs. A. T. Whitson; The Loyal Temperance Legion, by the State President, Master James B. Gipe.

The Young Women, by the State Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch, Miss Clara Sears; The Hadley Industrial School, by the Superintendent, Mrs. Clarinda Hannars. Two of the little girls from the school were present, and in their sweet, childish manner sang songs. The Outlook, by the State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch; Our Finances, by the State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson; An address, Our Cause, by the State President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.

Thursday evening, March 30, a suffrage oratorical contest was held. The speakers represented Clinton, Grant, Howard and Wabash Counties. The gold medal was awarded to Mrs. Julia Overman of Grant County.

Much interest and enthusiasm was manifested at the conference.

The hospitality of the Wabash people was cordial and kind.

## MID YEAR CONFERENCE NOTES.

The progress of the work generally, over the State as reported at the Conference, is most encouraging.

Many new Loyal Temperance Legions have been organized. Their motto: "Tremble King Alcohol, we Shall Grow Up," clearly indicates what may be expected in another decade of years.

The young women are being gathered into the Y's and the Y branches. They are under wise leadership and are working enthusiastically. A steady gain of membership is increasing our momentum as a State, which will hasten the coming of our victory for God, Home and Native Land.

Realizing the great need of a fund for organization, it has been decided to devote all money received for life membership, to such a fund.

With a desire to help organization, Mrs. Margaret Ross, of Wabash, took a life membership in the State Union.

Through the efforts of Mrs. M. O. Cammack, our State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch was made a life member of the State Union.

A chorus composed of members of the colored Union of Wabash, rendered excellent selections on welcome night, which were much appreciated.

A resolution was passed asking congress to expel Representative Roberts, the Mormon. Every White Ribboner is expected to cause at least five letters to be written by men to our congressmen asking that this important work be done. Mormonism must not have an entering wedge into the councils of our government.

A very large bouquet of white carnations and Marshall Neil roses, tied with white and yellow ribbon, was presented to the President, Mrs. McWhirter, by the Colored Union of Wabash.

Westfield holds a parlor meeting once a month at the home of one of the Superintendents. A Superintendent reads a paper on her department.

Churubusco Union gained nineteen members as the result of Mrs. Mary E. Teats' visit.

Montgomery has an L. T. L. President, Miss Arlie Rudolph; Secretary, Georgie Brown; Organist, Bertha Price. Four crusaders taken.

## FIELD NOTES.

Peru has a new Y.

Work for active and honorary members at every W. C. T. U. Institute.

Organize a Loyal Temperance Legion if you have but eight or ten boys and girls.

Miss Adella Lindley, member of Fairmount Union died February 2d after an illness of but a few days. She was County Press Superintendent, an earnest, efficient christian worker.

Before the lecture at every W. C. T. U. Institute have a chorus of children's voicessing, "Saloons Must Go." Primary Sunday school children ought to be taught to sing. Saloons Must Go with music, can be obtained for 15 cents per hundred at the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago.

Waterloo Union recently held a parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. P. Morrell, to which each member was requested to bring a guest and listen to a condensed report of the St. Paul convention by our delegate, Mrs. Hannah Willenar, who responded in an interesting and instructive manner. Light refreshments were served and two new names added to the roll.

Mrs. Hannah Williams, of Pleasant Lake, President of Steuben county, who attended the National convention at St. Paul as a delegate, visited the Ashley Union and gave a grand report of the convention. We almost felt that we had been there after hearing it. Miss Emma Fisk, also of Pleasant Lake, gave A Plain Talk, that convinced some who had not believed in woman's ballot, that it was after all womanly to want to vote. The day was a very cold and stormy one, yet their love and zeal in this great cause for humanity gave them the courage to drive sixteen miles. May God bless the brave women all over our land who are facing storm and danger, that they may hasten the coming of His Kingdom on Earth.

ALMA SHAW.

Muncie Union had quite a revival this winter. Mrs. Teats, the National lecturer, was with us. This good, pure spiritual woman did us so much good. She aroused a line of thought which cannot help but bear fruit. By her untiring zeal and effort twenty-four names were added to our roll and seven honorary members. May God's richest blessings follow her.

Look for some earnest work from the county seat of Delaware.

E. S. WHITE,

Press Superintendent.

Sedalia Union has not been represented for some time in the MESSAGE. We will take the pleasure in letting its many readers know what work we have done. Much has been done for Flower Mission work. We can say we do more in this department than any other.

We have not held an oratorical contest since July, but will soon make arrangements for one.

Miss Marie C. Brehm gave us two splendid lectures. If she could have been with us for one week our town would have become converted. We know she opened the eyes of some of the people who are studying the matter more closely than ever before. We gained two members, one active and one honorary. Our County President, Mrs. Emma Saylor, visited our Union December 15, 1898. We wish her to come oftener to cheer us up. There are five MESSAGES taken in our Union.

MRS. O. S. MILLER.

The Union Signal says: The program of the mid-year Conference of the W. C. T. U. of the State of Indiana merits special mention. The exquisite pearl color deckle edge cover has an up to date style and on the little over folder are the familiar words "For God and Home and Native Land," printed in a handsome shade of blue as is the rest of the cover. One of the finest half tones of Lady Henry Somerset, like the one used in "Thumb Nail Sketches," makes an attractive frontispiece. On the last page of the enameled paper on which the entire program is printed, is a good cut of the W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School. The meetings were held at the Presbyterian church, Wabash, Ind., March 29 and 30. The evening exercises must have been especially fine if one may judge from the list of speakers and the themes they treated.

The Eunice P. Wilson W. C. T. U. of Upland held a meeting in the M. E. church, February 17th. The entertainment consisted of music, solos, recitations, select readings, etc. It was held in memory of our beloved leader, Frances E. Willard. The Union attended the meeting in a body. After the program was over solicitors went out in the audience for new members

and several names were received. Then a collection was taken which amounted to over \$4 00. The entertainment was a grand success. Several of our members were detained at home on account of sickness. We hope to do more work in the coming year than has ever been done in any previous year. The Union has greatly increased in membership, most of the new members being young ladies.

Worthington secured Mrs. Ada L. Squires for a weeks' work. An oratorical contest was held. Arthur Loder of the high school, won the medal. The voice drill and pantomime of the children's class was considered fine. After organizing a Loyal Temperance Legion it was difficult to find a leader. Mrs. Squires knows no such word as fail, so the bright, winsome and devoted Miss Myra Willis consented to act as leader. The Legion organized with 52 boys and girls. It now numbers 80 and its outlook is bright.

The contestants, except the winner, will hold another contest. Arrangements were made to take them to a church in the country and have them repeat their selections. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

Mrs. Squires won the universal commendation of the Union and citizens.

Collette Park W. C. T. U. of Terre Haute, secured for one week Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, National Organizer. Meetings were held at Maple Avenue M. E. Church. Each night multitudes heard the gospel of prohibition from a Bible standpoint and were greatly strengthened in their endeavors "for God and home and every land." Much good seed was sown. Mrs. Denny is a strong speaker, a woman thoroughly consecrated to the temperance work, and her strong pleadings for the homes of our land made a lasting impression. She also demonstrated that she can preach, as she occupied the pulpit with great acceptability on Sunday morning and evening, to the delight of the people. May she long be spared for her God given work. Five regular and three honorary members were added to the Union.

Guilford W. C. T. U. held services in memory of Frances E. Willard, February 6 instead of February 17th, that being the most convenient time, all things considered. Despite the blinding snow storm which was raging, there was a good crowd and a splendid and appropriate program was rendered. A paper read by our aged and honored honorary member, R. C. Hansell, and a recitation by Miss Harriet Lazenby, are deserving of especial mention. Also the quartet, "The Unseen City," by Mrs. J. W. Bobo, Miss Hattie Moody, Dr. W. A. Schooley and V. F. Stegner, and solo, "The Great Judgment Morning," by Dr. F. Ward. All did exceedingly well.

Our great leader has gone to her home in glory, but the Captain of our leader still liveth and will lead the White Ribbon host on to final victory.

Dear co-workers, let us be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might; above all, taking the shield of faith and the helmet of salvation, praying always, putting on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil, that we may crush out the demon rum from our fair land.

## STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST PREMIUMS FOR 1899.

Beginning January 1, 1899, and ending October 1, 1899. This offer was first published in December, 1898.

The county that holds the most diamond contests will receive a flag that no one will be ashamed to carry. The county can go outside of its own imaginary county lines for contestants, if they have the enterprise to do so—that is, Grant County might get a contestant from Marion County and the contestant from Marion County might win the medal, and then it would be credited to Marion and not Grant County, as the motto and spirit of our work must be in love preferring one another. These contests must exceed three, and if there should be a tie between any two or more counties we will cast lots to decide which one gets the flag.

The county holding the greatest number of grand gold contests (and the number must exceed four) shall have a free diamond medal. The county holding the greatest number of small gold contests (and the number must exceed five) may have a free grand gold medal, and in either case we will settle a tie by casting lots.

The National Superintendent will give a gold medal to any local worker what holds the greatest number of contests.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.





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### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

Each Superintendent of a State Department should steadily labor through the County and Local Union officers to secure in each County and Local Union a Superintendent with whom she may be in constant correspondence and co-operation for the advancement of the interests of her department.

### THE PRESS.

How many of you noticed the outline program for a Press Meeting on page nine of the *Union Signal*, of January 26? How many will try to arrange for a meeting, using this program? I would like for each Union to be able to report one. One part of the program is a paper on the subject, "How the Woman's Christian Union Utilizes the Press." Every County and Local Press Superintendent is urged to write this paper, whether they have the meeting or not, (but have the meeting if you can), and the best one will be printed in the MESSAGE, and we hope it will afterward be published in many other papers over the State. A well known State worker has consented to act as judge. She prefers not to know the name or address of any contestant, until the decision is made, therefore, the papers are to be sent to me. Place a distinguishing mark or an assumed name on the manuscript, enclosing another piece of paper containing the real name of the writer and the mark or assumed name. The points to be considered, are neatness, conciseness and practical knowledge of the work manifested. For helps, read department leaflets. "The Press as an Evangelist" and "The Press for Christian Temperance" are both good. Also read annual reports of State and National Superintendents of this department. The papers must be all in by June 1, and as space in the MESSAGE is at a premium, they must be limited to 400 words.

The State Superintendent of Purity is making a specialty of securing curfew legislation in cities and towns. Let the Press workers help by writing articles in favor of the law. In some places curfew laws were the direct result of newspaper agitation, begun by the W. C. T. U. FLORENCE E. VANCE, 908 E. Walnut street, Frankfort. Superintendent.

### SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

During January and February I wrote to each Local and County Superintendent of my department, and sent each one some leaflets. If there is a County or Local Superintendent who has not received a MESSAGE from me, it is because her name has not been sent to me and if she will write I will gladly send her leaflets. Now, dear sisters, as you read this letter in the MESSAGE, if your Union has not taken up this department will you send me the name of some member of your Union who believes in this plan of giving? Just send it on a postal and the kindness will be appreciated greatly. There is one thing I would like to mention, which is a great hindrance to my work and I suppose it is to all State Superintendents—namely: The failure of some of our White Ribbon sisters to answer the postals and letters which are sent in regard to our work. Remember that these letters and postals are sent for the good of the cause, not for personal interests; that they represent time, strength and money. The State Superintendents are busy women, and with all their duties are striving to build up their special departments of the Lord's work. Remember all this, and when you receive these requests for information in regard to the work answer them as you would like to be answered, were the conditions reversed. Every once in awhile some Local Superintendent writes, telling me she "was appointed months ago and I have not written to her." It is the place of the Secretary of each Union to notify me of the appointments; if they do not I have no way of knowing about them. So far, this year has been one of progress in this department. An unusual interest has been manifested. Now may each one of you strive to do "great things for God and humanity" in the days which the Lord shall give you upon earth. S. M. SHELTON, Livonia, Ind. State Superintendent.

### PURITY.

Since impurity is found in all classes and persons of all ages, I have a word for the children, the young women and young men, also the older ones. I have received a leaflet published by the N. Purity Association, Chicago, which I think is splendid, and will ask the editor to insert it in the MESSAGE.

#### JUNIOR GUARD OF HONOR—A PURITY ORGANIZATION FOR BOYS.

This organization is known as the Junior Guard of Honor. Its motto is "Truth, Purity and Manliness." Its aim is to teach boys some important facts about themselves, which perhaps they might never otherwise learn in the right way, and so make them happier boys and better, truer men in all their after life.

Any boy ten years of age or over may become a member by signing the articles of obligation with a witness, filling in the blanks for date, address and age, and sending them with a 25 cent membership fee. In return he will receive a certificate of membership and a little book of thirty pages in paper cover, entitled "A Father's advice; or a Book for Every Boy," written by Dr. E. P. Miller, an eminent doctor in New York City.

It explains something about the physical life of boys which every boy who has grown to years of understanding should know of himself. It is very interesting and gives its warning in such a clean, pure-hearted way that every boy who reads it and tries to live out the motto will in all his after life, when he becomes a man and understands its meaning better, have great reason to be thankful he ever joined the Junior League of Honor. Be sure you do not miss it.

After you have read the book, if you then conclude that you do not wish to join the order, you may keep the book, return the certificate of membership with a note to that effect, and your 25 cents will be cheerfully returned to you. Is not this a fair offer?

The Junior League makes no difference in politics or religion, so that all may join in its fellowship. There are no dues or fees.

Books furnished free to all who wish to get new members.

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Earnestly desiring the influence of my life to count for the greatest possible good, and wishing to be in fellowship with boys of my own age who are striving to live true, pure, manly lives, that they may become true, pure, manly men, I hereby offer my name for membership in the Junior Guard of Honor.

In order that I may be a worthy comrade, I promise that, so far as lies in my power, I will keep the following obligation:

Article I. I will treat all women and girls with courtesy and respect.

Article II. I will use my influence against all indecent language and coarse jests.

Article III. I will read the book, "A Father's Advice," and will strive with all my might to avoid doing anything I should be ashamed to have known to my father or mother.

Article IV. I will endeavor to spread these principles.

I will strive in all things to live out the motto of the order, "Truth, Purity, Manliness." For the faithful observance of which I pledge myself.

Date.....189...

Name.....

Witness.....

Address.....

I am.....years old and enclose 25 cents membership fee.

Fill out the blank and send with 25 cents to N. Purity Association, Chicago.

This work can be very successfully taken up in the Sunday school and L. T. L. Let the Superintendent of Purity visit the Sunday school teacher who has a class of boys and the boy's teacher in the L. T. L., and ask her to present it to her class. Where they are not able to pay the 25 cents let the teacher furnish a copy of the book and the boys read it in turn. Of course she will not miss an opportunity of presenting it individually to other boys. A word to the Y's: The White Shield work is especially a branch of the Purity work for young women. It is well understood where they stand on the alcohol and tobacco question, but the single standard of purity is not so well defined as some. The pledge may be added to the abstinence pledge, presenting the White Shield pledge to the young ladies and the White Cross pledge to the young men. You can not measure the good that may be done in this way. Courses of study are prepared, which can be used in the meetings, which can not fail to be a benefit to every Y.

Some Y's in other States have already taken up the work and report it as very helpful and necessary. The W. C. T. U. will carry out the suggestions for White Shield and White Cross work as given in the December MESSAGE. Last year only three Unions reported curfew laws. Let me urge you to work for this law wherever it is possible. Wherever this has been done there has been a marked decrease in arrests of youths.

Read carefully the State laws relating to purity and you will see that there need not be a house of ill-repute if the laws were enforced. Let us bring such a pressure of public sentiment against these public officials will be obliged to enforce these laws.

Send to Mrs. J. Tyler Jobson, 18 E. Main street, Richmond, Va., for White Shield supplies. Will each County President send me the name and address of her County Superintendent of Purity.

FRANCES G. BOYER, State Superintendent Purity.

### WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

Thorntown, Boone county, sends in a fine report of the work started among the colored people there. Mrs. Mattie R. Barker, the County Superintendent, reports temperance sermon preached by Rev. J. L. Thomas, pastor of the A. M. E. church. His wife, formerly President of a W. C. T. U., was the winner of silver medal in the contest held in the above church. The two next best, Mrs. Orra Mitchell and Mrs. Ida Woodson, were each given a Frances Willard button and knot of white ribbon. The contest was a very successful one and request was made that it be repeated. The County Superintendent has made a number of house to house visits, given out pledge cards and tracts. She asks for literature for carrying on the work. Her County President, Mrs. Crist, sends a very encouraging letter also. We shall expect a fine report for colored work from Boone county.

Mrs. Henrietta Woodring, Superintendent of this department for Marion County, made an excellent report to the County Convention, March 21st. She has made several visits to colored churches, urging the women to take up the work. Her own Union, the Lucy Thurman, has since last report paid dues of seven members, have eighteen enrolled. Gospel temperance meetings held, three; cottage meetings, five; Mothers' meetings, ten; Bible readings, twenty; pages of literature given out, five hundred; temperance sermons preached, five; signatures to pledge, four. Mrs. Woodring has held regular services at the work house with good results, many asking an interest in the prayers.

The Flower Mission Department, of which Mrs. A. M. Brown is Superintendent, reports visits to the sick, fifty-nine; garments given, sixty-seven; pairs of stockings, eleven; baskets of fruit to sick, eight; floral design and bouquets to sick, thirteen. For more than two years Mrs. Woodring has been identified with our work, and her interest and efficiency continues to increase. At the Memorial meeting held February 17th, she made an earnest appeal to the W. C. T. U. to come to the rescue of her people.

Mrs. Anna Jay, Superintendent of Grant County, reports one lecture delivered to colored people by Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, also sixteen hundred pages of literature distributed. Mrs. Jay is planning for much active work for her department for the next six months.

I hope in the May MESSAGE to announce good news for this department. Lookout for it; meantime will you not, all over the state, write me, briefly, how you are progressing? MARY E. L. SIMS, State Superintendent.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

It is our duty to work for the closing of post-offices on the Sabbath by local petition, that the more than 150,000 employees may have their day of rest and in every way impress upon the Christians and others the necessity of not only observing the day for themselves, but in handing it down to their posterity as it was given to us—a holy day for rest and worship. Responsive readings for the use of Local Unions can be had of the State Superintendent at ten cents per 100. They will be a valuable addition to the program of the week. Forty different leaflets are now published on this department of W. C. T. U. work and can be had of me at 10, 15 and 30 cents per 100. Let us educate, mould and lead this sentiment to the utmost of our ability and do what we can to promote the work of this important department. Will ministers in Indiana, who preach special sermons on Sabbath Observance and secure signatures to the following pledge, please report the same to the State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance?

#### PLEDGE.

With a firm reliance upon God, I hereby make my DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE against KING GREED, whose Sunday work I pledge my sacred honor never to do.

(Signed).....

MRS. KATIE WERT HOLLER, State Supt. Sabbath Observance.

South Bend.

### MERCY.

I again make an urgent appeal to you to have a Superintendent appointed for the Mercy department in each of your Unions, and make an earnest effort to have every woman within our own ranks carry out consistently the principles of kindness and mercy. Let us crystalize into our lives the resolution which was passed at our last State convention:

"Resolved, That it is the spirit of this Convention that the wearing of birds or their plumage is inconsistent with the Christian principle of kindness and mercy and that this same principle should be inculcated in the minds of the children of our White Ribbon women."

I hope yet to attend a convention where the badge of cruelty will not be carried aloft on the bonnets of my sisters, and I ask you one and all to help me to hasten the coming of His Kingdom here upon earth.

Do not forget the prizes I have offered this year, \$1.00 worth of literature to the Superintendent who organizes the most bands of Mercy, aggregating the largest number of members. \$1.50 worth of literature to the Superintendent who secures the most signatures to the Bird pledge. Here it is. If you want a printed one, send to me: "We, whose names are hereunto affixed, hereby express our disapproval of the practice of wearing the bodies, wings or feathers of birds, as a part of our clothing or head gear and we call upon all right minded women to use their influence against it."



Another point I wish to emphasize. Superintendents, please send me a report of what you have done by March 15th. We will thus have a quarterly report. Let us try that plan. Just write me a letter, telling all you have done.

#### THE DUMB BRUTES.

Blest are they whom the creatures bless!  
And yet that wealth of tenderness  
In look, in gesture, in caress,  
By which our hearts they touch,  
Might well the thoughtful spirit grieve,  
Believing as we must believe  
How little they from man receive,  
To whom they give so much.

LOU E. RALL,

Huntington, Ind. State Superintendent.

### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

From experience I have learned that persons never tire of hearing about their children, unless the report be unfavorable. I assure you this is not the case at present. Your children are all well and better contented than the average child in its home. The officers in charge are faithful and loyal to their trust. But what about our girls who are knocking at our doors for admission and needing a home and mother's heart to sympathize with them in their childish trouble? Must we turn a deaf ear to their cry? Our Superintendent writes that a few things must be furnished before she can make other girls comfortable in the home. More blankets and ticks are demanded. Also a large heating stove for the dining room. The present one is unfit for use, and the dining-room has been abandoned, crowding all into the kitchen, which is full and overflowing.

During one week we received three applications for admission into our Home. One Union writes, "There is a little girl in our town eleven years of age, whose mother died three years ago. The father has been keeping house and has this little girl with him; but we notice she is much of the time on the street; and her father has given his consent for us to place her in 'our home,' and we would like to get her in just as soon as possible. Our Union is willing to do its part by her. Please send admission blank, etc."

Now sisters, here is an opportunity to help this little one to a protected home.

"No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God." (Luke 9:62) Dear sisters, we have said: send her on, believing you will stand by us and extend a helping hand.

Allow me to make a suggestion to our sisters who are raising poultry. It has been said that the income from a good smart hen is not less than \$2.50 per year. Who of you can refuse this work; at least half the profits from one hen? And now to those who do not raise poultry. You will not refuse us one month's "pin money" out of the twelve months of the year.

We promise to watch the markets (this would be a good time to buy the stove), and make the best possible use of your offerings to this cause.

LUCHETIA HOBART.

#### A LETTER.

Perhaps a few words concerning the girls and school of the "Industrial Home" will be of interest to you.

We now have twenty-four girls at the Home, two having been added to our number during the past few weeks; one, Bertha Townsend, from Marion, the other, Lucile Clemens, from Greensboro.

We feel the girls are doing very well. They are all bright, intelligent and most of them are quite studious.

The first six grades are represented in the school and the regular outline of work is followed.

Every Friday afternoon is devoted to sewing, such as piecing quilt-blocks, hemming towels and napkins, mending, making garments, etc. The girls do very well in sewing and it is really surprising to see how well some of the smallest girls can sew.

Three of the girls take music lessons and learn quite rapidly.

February 17th we recognize as a "Frances Willard Day," celebrating the first anniversary of her birth into the "Heavenly World," by a temperance program, consisting of an essay on the life of Miss Willard, temperance recitations, songs and several patriotic pieces; one being red, white and blue march and drill.

Miss Hobart made us quite a visit during the past month. We also enjoyed visits from Mrs. Socwell, of Indianapolis, our Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. Hessong, of Broad Ripple, our Treasurer.

We are very grateful to the LaPorte Union for a barrel of lovely canned fruit, also for a large box of quilt pieces, both of which we appreciate very much.

CORA L. ANGELL,

Teacher of the Hadly Industrial School.

#### PROMOTED.

Kate E. Mendenhall of Amo, Ind., President of Amo Union and highly honored trustee of the W. C. T. U. Industrial School for Girls, after a long and very painful illness on the evening of March 19th, 1899, put off the mortal and was clothed upon with her house from Heaven. Her life was truly a living epistle known and read of all who knew her.

Her interest in the Industrial School never abated, saying ever after her close was near that she loved those little girls as well as her own children. And while some in her Union would sometimes seem to waver in the good work she, with her solid judgment was steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Many can now and others will rise up and call her blessed.

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

#### February.

#### RECEIPTS

Mary Hadley, dividend from Indianapolis National Bank on money deposited .....\$8 38  
Flora B Cox, California..... 2 00  
Eunice Furnas, Kentucky..... 2 00  
Mary Bush..... 15 00  
M. J. Darner..... 5 00  
Whitley county..... 5 00  
St. Joseph county pledge..... 10 00  
Helen Sherfey on Memorial..... 25 00

#### March.

Balance due on LaPorte pledge..... 4 00  
North Manchester Union..... 3 00  
Hadley Union, Grant county..... 3 00  
Oak Ridge Union..... 1 00  
M. A. Amo, donation..... 5 00

#### February.

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Castor Brothers, printing..... 4 20  
Dried peaches..... 2 12  
Cora Angell, teacher..... 15 00  
Cut in MESSAGE..... 1 50  
March.  
Cora Angell, teacher..... 30 00  
E. B. Gudger, farm hand..... 30 00  
Schnull & Co., crackers..... 2 03  
G. W. Woolsey, circular letter..... 3 00  
C. J. Hanner's emergency fund..... 25 00  
C. J. Hanner, money advanced..... 24 09

### EXTRACTS FROM EXECUTIVE MINUTES.

Executive Committee met in the First Presbyterian Church in Wabash, Ind., March 29 and 30. After devotions and roll call, the business of the session was begun.

Moved and carried, that Miss Belle Kearny, of Mississippi, be brought into the State for such time as pledges can be secured, beginning the work at the time of the State Convention.

Organization was introduced and life membership recommended and urged as a means of providing a fund for the work in unorganized counties.

Moved and carried, that we recommend another Oratorical Medal Contest campaign or any other educational entertainment for the benefit of the Industrial School, fixing the limit of time September 15, so as to have the work accomplished given in our annual report.

By motion of Mrs. Outland, it was directed that all money intended for the Industrial School be sent directly to the Treasurer of the Board of the School, except the transfer of real estate, which shall pass through the hands of the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer.

By motion, the committee directed the Superintendent to make a monthly itemized account of the finances of the Home to the Treasurer of the Board.

By motion of Mrs. Paxton, recommended that each County President give or pledge 50 cents to aid in keeping the public school teacher two months more in the Home.

Moved that we ask all W. C. T. U. and Prohibition speakers to give at least two free speeches per month in behalf of our cause, and that a roster of the same be printed in our State paper when space will admit.

Resolved, That the members of the Mid-Year Executive Committee of the W. C. T. U. petition the House to expel Mr. B. H. Roberts in the interest of public morality, because he is not only an avowed polygamist, but also a covenant breaker, having married all his polygamous wives since the Edmunds anti-polygamy law of 1883, or since the congressional anti-polygamy law of 1862, so that these marriages are in open defiance of law as well as in defiance of the sense of morality of the American people.

Moved by Mrs. Balch, that the 50 cent fund for the expense of State Convention be collected and sent to the State Treasurer before State Convention. Motion prevailed.

It was also recommended that the amount be sent with the dues in the last quarter.

M. O. CAMMACK,  
Recording Secretary.

### ENCOURAGEMENT.

For those who sometimes feel discouraged now that so many societies are springing up with large membership, I can but wish all such could attend some of these large gatherings. At the National Councils' Tribunal which closed on the 21st of February, one of the most prominent women of the east commenced her report on Social Purity by saying, "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is the most wonderful reform organization ever known, as respects breadth of plan in its work, specialized education and economy of force in leadership. Missionary spreading of its propaganda and its development of the average adult and untrained womanhood in the direction of social service. The author of the above is not a member of a W. C. T. U., and so it was with many who were prominent workers in the Council, but no two women were shown so much consecutive courtesy during that eight day's session, as was our National President and Miss Gordan. Finally the next meeting of the National Executive of the Council was left unspecified until it was positively known whether or not it would conflict with the annual national meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. No meeting of the Council called out so large a body of people as the Memorial services of Miss Willard, who was the first President of the Council. Many White Ribboners were scattered through the entire session of the Council as delegates and committee women. And when the resolution against the canteen

was read, it was unanimously endorsed, and when Mrs. Stevens asked that the Council's appeal go forth to the Illinois legislature in behalf of Miss Willard's statue being placed in statuary hall in Washington, a telegram was forwarded immediately. Whether the representatives of this twelve hundred and fifty of said membership turned the balance in our favor will perhaps never be known—any way the Illinois legislator could not feel comfortable in knowing he would not be criticized by this vast array of womanhood outside of the White Ribbon host.

These and many minor incidents in mixing with so-called outsiders are convincing evidence that we not only have the respect and confidence of this vast organization, which is destined to become the largest organized body of women in the world, but co-workers as well. So I can say I never felt more encouraged. I never experienced such a baptism of inspiration and enthusiasm from attending any meeting. So let us push on with our hearts filled with gratitude to our Heavenly father, that in some way and some how He led us to don the little white ribbon in His name.

MARY A. MOODY.

### LETTER FROM OUR STATE ORGANIZER, MRS. M. O. CAMMACK.

Early in January I accepted an invitation to Huntington County. Mrs. Lou Rall is County President now. Miss Mary Mohler has served them long and faithfully, but is quite willing that some one else may try their hand at it awhile.

Our first place was at Warren. Mrs. Lydia Worly was at the depot to meet us. How it always gladdens our hearts to see a woman on the platform, labled with the white ribbon and a smile of welcome. Mrs. Rall met us there. We held two woman's meetings, two night meetings, secured five subscriptions to MESSAGE and four new members.

Mrs. Dr. Wall, who has been a devout white ribboner, was sick a bed and could not attend any of our meetings. We pray her zeal for the work will return with her strength. We were to have held a meeting at Kelso on our way to Huntington, but religious services prevented an appointment, and we pressed on to Huntington through an all day rain. Mrs. Rall suffered some inconvenience from a 14 mile wet trip, but your organizer is so weather beaten it had no perceptible effect upon her. Huntington Union is reaching up and out, having a good program, and is making a strong effort to educate the women on the various lines of work.

Two meetings with women were held and two lectures at night, also, these to small but appreciative audiences. Six new members and five subscriptions to MESSAGE were gained. We visited the high school, where we were given the privilege of speaking on one of our themes—scientific temperance. Teachers expressed their gratitude for our call. Andrews was our next point. Here we met Brother Johnnie Cain, pastor of M. E. Church, who is a brave man; he is neither afraid of a woman nor the temperance work and freely opened his church for our meetings. Allowed us to preach at 11 o'clock on Sabbath and lecture in the evening from our scientific temperance charts. He made an extra effort to have the young people present and we had them. We were so drawn out by the earnest expectant faces before us, that we talked an hour and half, and then, some said "why did you stop so soon?"

Brother Cain does not think that a temperance meeting sets the cause of religion back twenty years. God give us more such men. From Andrews we went to Grant County, where we did some public school work under the direction of John Stewart, who is a member of Friends Church and a member of the quarterly meetings temperance committee. He helps and encourages the temperance speakers.

Sunday, January 15, spoke in M. E. Church at Jonesboro. The pastor was sick and his wife had preached in the morning, so you see it was a woman's day.

January 21, by telegram, was sent to Randolph County. Reached Ridgeville Saturday evening and found we could make no connection for Winchester, the place we hoped to reach for Sabbath, so we went to Mrs. Dr. Forguher's and found her the same earnest, true W. C. T. U. woman of former years.

Her time and attention is now greatly devoted to an aged mother who is in her home. Mrs. Farquher has been greatly afflicted by rheumatism. However, she hurried about, made arrangements for a talk to the Junior C. E. at the Baptist Church on Sabbath, followed by a meeting with the women, and a lecture at the M. E. Church in the evening. Our work in this county was for Woman's Suffrage, and as we went into the county unannounced it consumed time and drew on our faith and patience to get our work in.

### BENTON COUNTY.

Dear MESSAGE, how we do appreciate you. You are here ready to tell us just what you want done and what is being done in Indiana. Would that you visited every Indiana W. C. T. U., for a woman who is interested wants you, and what a mighty army for good we would be if all were so interested.

Benton County held spring institute at Lochiel, February 22, 23, 24. Mrs. McWhirter spoke on Wednesday night to a full house in her sweet, convincing manner. Her words sank deep, for many were moved to join our ranks. We are arranging for Normal Institute in April and will have Miss Sears two weeks in June and hope that many girls may be interested in our work. Benton County is moving on, sending a club of 15 for the MESSAGE.

MRS. C. B. MADDOX,  
Otterbein, Ind. Superintendent.



## RESOLUTIONS FROM WESTFIELD UNION.

WHEREAS, By the permissive providence of God our beloved ex-President, Mrs. Miriam Spray, has been taken from our midst, be it

Resolved, That we hereby express our sincere sympathy with the husband and two little daughters who are bereft of a faithful companion and loving mother. May our compassionate Father comfort the husband and care for the little ones through the coming years.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call home our dear sister and co-worker, Martha B. Stanley, who, in her quiet way has for a number of years served most faithfully as Local and County Superintendent of Narcotics, be it

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the aged husband in his loneliness and commend him to God, who alone can comfort in this hour of deepest trial.

WHEREAS, In His all wise providence, it has pleased God to call from works to reward one of our staunchest friends and co-workers in temperance, Morris Jessup, the husband of our dear sister Rachel Jessup, be it

Resolved, That we extend her and her worthy daughters our heartfelt sympathy, and bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and the W. C. T. U. MESSAGE.

## UPLAND, Grant county, Ind.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his Wisdom, to remove from our midst our dear sister, Christina Becker, who departed this life March 2, 1899, and

WHEREAS, The White Ribbon host has lost a staunch member and the community a good citizen, therefore be it

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and that we imitate her virtues and Christian example.

Resolved, That a copy be sent to the MESSAGE, the local paper and the family, and be spread on our minutes.

## HANCOCK COUNTY INSTITUTE

At Greenfield the State workers were met at station by White Ribboners, including the County President, Mrs. Ada New. At the Christian Church we were royally welcomed by the beautiful decorations and complete arrangements for the Institute. Program had been well filled by local and county workers, including ministers, educators and other leading citizens. The papers and addresses on the different topics were followed by discussion, which awakened much enthusiasm from the opening meeting till the close of the session.

Contest had been arranged for in the minutest detail, including excellent music. The class was greeted with a crowded and appreciative house. The medal was won by Miss Ruth Seicrest.

There were eighteen accessions to the membership—six W's, nine Y's and three honoraries.

One subscription to *Union Signal*, twenty-four for MESSAGE, with a prospect of a subscription list to equal the county membership.

Western Grove is the banner Local Union in its subscription to the State paper, its list being equal to its membership.

MISS HADLEY,  
MISS SEARS.

## TIPPECANOE.

Tippecanoe County observed Railroad Day, March 5 by a sermon by Dr. T. J. Bassett in St. Paul's church to railroad men in the morning, and by Dr. C. B. Wilcox in Willard hall in the afternoon. To both of these services the different railroad orders and shopmen, as well as street car men, were invited to attend in a body, both these sessions being largely attended. At Willard Hall the music was an especial feature, Prof. Kinsey's choral club doing excellent service, and Harry Gast gave two selections on twelve beer bottles tied with white ribbons, showing a good use for beer bottles. Miss Myrtle Kinsey and Prof. Bollers, of Pittsburg, Pa., sang a duet which was fine and heartily applauded and altogether it was a success. Mrs. Josephine Bennett, County Superintendent of Railroad work, had the hearty co-operation of Mrs. Addie Socese, State Superintendent, and Mrs. J. F. Kinsey and Mrs. Alice Gast, President and Local Superintendent of LaFayette Union—all working for the success of the meeting.

## GLEANINGS FROM ELKHART COUNTY.

All the Unions in Elkhart county observed Frances E. Willard's Heavenly birthday. Not so much of her death as her useful life was spoken of. The meetings were full of interest and very profitable, a great many visitors being present. The collections were a financial success, each Union having some left in their treasury after sending the \$2.00 asked for to the National. March 1st, we observed Mrs. Lillian Stevens' birthday. The program consisted of appropriate readings concerning her life and an attempt to get better acquainted with our National President. An earnest effort was made to double our subscription list for the *Union Signal*. The greatest effort of our county is the financial department. We make and sell quilts, also give W. C. T. U. entertainments.

Goshen Union gave an entertainment, preparing an excellent program, consisting of recitations, solos and pantomimes. A mandolin orchestra and chorus was also part of the program. Considering the weather, we had a good attendance.

Some departments do better work than others and some Superintendents do better work than others. I presume it is like Christianity, we must be thoroughly converted and understand our duty before we feel the necessity of keeping everlastingly at it. Goshen Union has taken up a new department. Two poor little girls escaped the reform school through the kindness of the W. C. T. U., the ladies appearing in court, asking the judge for the girls and finding them good homes.

We feel we have done our full duty and when we see the pleasure and joy manifested by the worse than orphan children who were thrust unmercifully into the cold world by their unnatural parents, we are amply repaid.

We met in the parlors of Rev. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins for our Executive Committee meeting.

We will entertain an Institute April 21 and 22.

The three departments to receive special attention this year are Suffrage, Organization and Increase of Membership.

Nappanee Union will entertain the County Convention in September, when the following subjects will be discussed: Is the Saloon necessary? Moral Courage; Are the members of the W. C. T. U. doing their duty? Objection to Mothers Meetings; Value of the Press. Forty scientific arguments against the use of alcohol. Ten scientific arguments against the use of tobacco. Advancement of the enfranchisement of women State and National papers.

It was suggested everybody attending Institutes and Conventions bring their lunch in order that everyone desiring could attend every session and thereby be benefited from the excellent papers and earnest discussions that follows them.

Most cordially yours,

MRS. A. P. DAUB,  
Elkhart County Superintendent of Press Work. Goshen, Ind.

## GRANT COUNTY HEADS THE ROLL.

Its membership is steadily increasing and its list of Unions grows longer. It has given our Recording Secretary and Organizer over a month's work and did not consider the fifteen dollars a week, too much to pay. Deer Creek Union is so large its regular meetings take on the appearance of a convention.

## MISS MARIE BREHM'S SOJOURN IN INDIANA.

The Indiana W. C. T. U. is again to be congratulated upon bringing into the State the gifted speaker Miss Marie C. Brehm, National Superintendent of Franchise. The nine weeks spent in our State in the interest of her department might have been lengthened into several more weeks had not other engagements called her elsewhere. Her work in the legislature was highly gratifying to all. Many members of the legislature have said that her speeches before the committees were the most forceful of any they heard during the session and that the Indiana W. C. T. U. was fortunate in securing such a fine helper to present their cause to the legislators of this state.

The popularity of Miss Brehm as a lecturer was proven by the crowded houses that often greeted her. At the Friends Church in Indianapolis, she was greeted with good and appreciative audiences, many saying, "we must have her soon for an entire week's work." Speaking of her work a Nappanee paper says: "In her speech she presented a very forceful argument in favor of Woman's Suffrage. She exploded the fallacious conclusion that the home and its sacred influence were in great danger in case woman was given the ballot which would bring her in touch with corrupt politics." Center Union writes, "Those who failed to hear Miss Brehm at their place missed a fine treat." Richmond reported fine meetings and a masterly presentation of her subjects. Friendswood says—everybody is delighted with her. Nine new members added and a chorus club organized. At Pendleton she occupied the pulpit during revival meetings. All were gratified. Miss Brehm spent the coldest week of the winter at Anderson, and despite the severity of the weather was greeted with good and appreciative audiences. A well filled house greeted her Sunday morning. In the evening the seating capacity of the church was tested. In the afternoon she spoke to the young men of the Y. M. C. A., this being the second call she has received from them. The large reception given on Friday at the home of Mrs. Leib, in honor of Miss Brehm, was an enjoyable occasion and of unusual interest.

The week's work in Elwood was certainly a banner week. Much enthusiasm throughout. One hundred new members, including honoraries, gained. A chorus club organized. The *Courier* says: "Miss Brehm is a wonderful talker and has no peers." Her pleas were ably made and her subjects admirably handled. Rallies were held each afternoon and largely attended by these earnest women. Her utterances were classic and of the highest order. Subjects all practical, and dealt with in a business-like manner. At no time common-place and uninteresting. Houses packed each evening. Towards the close of the week many were turned away. Nothing was left undone to make these meetings a success.

At Frankfort our speaker was greeted with large audiences; only words of praise were heard of her. The Press said, "She is an attractive speaker and wins her admirers by her clean-cut, convincing arguments." While in Clinton County she spoke at Camden, Jefferson, Mulberry and Sedalia. All were greatly pleased with her. From a Frankton paper I quote the following: "Miss Brehm is an able exponent of the franchise subject. Her lecture is strong in logic. She awakened a dormant sentiment at this place, the result of which is likely to do the cause much good. A few speakers like Miss Brehm will do the W. C. T. U. organization great good." Atlanta Press: "Miss Brehm is a clear, forcible speaker, a conscientious christian and an ardent advocate of woman suffrage. Her lecture abounded in wit, humor and pathos.

Franklin well pleased and hopes to have her again. Greensburg reports meetings a success. Special seats were reserved for ministers, teachers and editors.

At Shelbyville the weather was very inclement in

the morning, yet there was a good audience. In the evening she spoke to a large audience. People so well pleased they want her as soon as available, for an entire week.

Shoals starts out with renewed energy since Miss Brehm's visit. Meetings at Loggootee were quite enthusiastic and showed their appreciation by an extra money donation. Mt. Vernon so well pleased, they have engaged her for ten days or two weeks' work when available. Martinsville, Monrovia and Centerton, as usual, are profuse in their appreciation of her work in Morgan county. A new Union was organized at Centerton. In regard to her work many ministers have said, "You can occupy my pulpit at any time." During her stay in the State about 200 members have been added to our list and Miss Brehm has added many ardent friends and admirers to her already long list. That she may live long and continue in this noble work, coming back as often as possible, is the desire of the Indiana W. C. T. U.

## A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT OF LEBANON UNION TO MRS. McWHIRTER.

You will pardon my seeming neglect of your favor when you learn of the serious illness in my home. My husband, my sister and myself, all very low with lagrippe and pneumonia. I am not able to be up yet. I am so sorry to have kept you waiting, but I have not been idle.

I called a meeting. Our Union met with me and we approved and indorsed the "Schedule Plan and dates" and will do everything in our power to help the good work along. We need help here badly. So many saloons, pool tables, bowling alleys, etc.

Our Union was organized in September, 1898, with only six members. We went bravely to work and in three months we doubled our membership, every member a devoted Christian woman. We canvassed the city and succeeded in having the curfew law passed and we see that it is not violated. We held one public meeting, a mothers' meeting, which gave general satisfaction and was highly spoken of in the daily and county papers. We were gradually gaining a foothold when the epidemic, lagrippe, came upon the city like a cyclone.

It fastened its grip upon every member of my household and I was very low when the W. C. T. U. meeting was due. They held one meeting and I was not present.

Then for over two months they met at my home every two weeks. We held interesting meetings. Although I was not able to sit up or take charge, I tried to do what I could. The prayers and songs were so helpful and uplifting and we all loved each other so. We worked in harmony and were so very anxious to do good that some of my friends and neighbors were constrained to join our Union.

I am not able to hold a pen to write. Pardon my long letter, my heart is so full of this work and the need is so great in our city.

In all good work we are ready to help.

URSHA DARNELL.

## STATE SUPERINTENDENTS, NOTICE.

It was the voice of the Board of Superintendents at the mid-year executive meeting at Wabash that we accept the invitation to hold a two days Conference in Goodland, June 20 and 21, 1899.

The program will appear in the next issue of the "Message." All Superintendents of Departments, Secretaries of Branches, Organizers, Musical Directors and State Officers are requested to be present. The time will be given to a presentation and discussion of our work. It is very important that the Board of Superintendents be better organized and we hope the Superintendents will feel the importance of the meeting and, if possible, be present.

Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, President.

Georgiana Moser, Secretary.

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## BATTLE HYMN OF THE W. C. T. U.

The light of truth is breaking,  
On the mountain tops it gleams;  
Let it flash along our valleys,  
Let it glitter on our streams,  
Till all our land awakens  
In its flush of golden beams.  
Our God is marching on.

CHORUS—Glory, glory, hallelujah!  
Glory, glory, hallelujah!  
Glory, glory, hallelujah!  
Our God is marching on—

With a purpose strong and steady,  
In the great Jehova's name,  
We rise to snatch our kindred  
From the depths of woe and shame,  
And the jubilee of freedom  
To the slaves of sin proclaim.  
Our God is marching on—CHORUS.

From morning's early watches  
Till the setting of the sun,  
We will never flag nor falter  
In the work we have begun  
Till the forts have all surrendered  
And the victory is won.  
Our God is marching on.—CHORUS.

In Alaska the age of protection for girls has been raised from 14 to 16 years of age.

Arkansas Legislature has passed a scientific temperance education law. Mrs. Mildred Dorsey, President of the W. C. T. U. of Arkansas championed the bill—speaking for it before the committees and as head of the forces of the State, doing much for it.

Secretary Long, of the Navy, has abolished by his general order, the sale or issuance of any kind of intoxicating liquors to the enlisted men. This victory came not as the result of influence or political pressure, but is a triumph of the cause on its merits.

Local Unions of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in many of the States are celebrating their 25th anniversaries as a great number have already reached their quarter century mile post. The next National Convention to be held at Seattle, Washington, will be October 20-25. The commemoration also of twenty-five years as a National organization. Special notice will be given to this feature of the meeting.

Mrs. Hannah J. Baily, Superintendent of Department of Peace and Arbitration, and the officers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the presidents of all the states have sent letters to the members of the Peace Conference voicing their appreciation of the peace sentiments as expressed by Nicholas II, Czar of Russia, and praying that effectual means may be found whereby universal peace may be brought about and thereafter maintained throughout the world. A program for peace meetings was given in the *Union Signal*, and Unions are urged all over the country to hold peace meetings on or as near May 18th as possible.

Both days of the Union County Institute, held at Liberty, the ministers, teachers and business men were all invited to dinner. About two hundred and fifty people dined with the institute each day. An excellent paper on "How to Use the Press to Promote Reform" was read by Editor E. E. Moore, of College Corner Chronicle. Editor C. W. Stevens, of the Liberty Herald, followed with strong words. The Liberty Review said:

"During the Temperance Congress last week Liberty was visited by a large number of the best people of Union and adjoining counties. Our visitors were cordially en-

tertained and expressed their appreciation of Liberty hospitality in many ways."

We are rejoiced over the following notable victories achieved during the past few weeks:

First is the action of the Illinois legislature in appropriating \$9,000 for a statue of Francis E. Willard, LL. D., to be placed in Statuary Hall of the National Capitol, Washington, D. C. The 38th Congress "authorized the President to invite each and all the States to provide and furnish statues of marble or bronze, not to exceed two in number, of the State's illustrious deceased citizens;" and as Illinois has but one statue (General Shields) it left the way open for the placing of Miss Willard's with those likewise honored by sister States. This is a recognition of women in helping to make this country what it is, and it is eminently fitted that our peerless leader should be the first woman to be so honored, and her gracious presence amid those silent heroes will make even that historic hall seem homelike and pave the way for woman, not only to stand amid the statues of the great and powerful of our country, but to sit in council as well as in national legislative halls.

Chief of greatest of the victories of 1899, is the overthrow of the "army canteen." This too, in spite of all the political influence that the liquor traffic has been able to bring to bear; in spite of its power to intimidate and corrupt officials; in spite of its timidity of a time-serving administration and the services of a prostituted press, the congress of the United States has legislated it out of existence. No such outrage has ever been perpetrated by one high in authority as the attempt of Attorney-General Griggs and Secretary of War Alger to annul this law against the canteen. The passage of the law by Congress was at the expressed desire of the people. Now two men in high positions give such interpretation to it as would allow the canteen to remain by substituting civilians to act as bartenders instead of soldiers. For shame! Will the President of the United States allow such unprecedented proceedings, or will he stand by the action of Congress? He had the authority as *Commander in Chief of the Army* to abolish the canteen, but refused to do so. Will he now express himself? Why don't he stand for the protection of the young manhood of this nation that goes out under the stars and stripes?

Medical professors in the universities and practicing physicians in Germany are pushing the study of the alcohol problem with a determined hand. They are finally thoroughly aroused upon the subject, are organizing societies, instituting courses of lectures and public discussions on the subject, and producing a most valuable series of scientific addresses in the interests of total abstinence. The Internationale Monatschriftzer Bekaempfung der Trinksitten, their official organ, now enters upon its eighth year of scholarly work. It is an international German monthly to overcome the drink customs. Die Freiheit, another monthly to overcome the tyranny of drink, is also published by their Alkolgeguerbund (Anti-Alcohol League) in Basle.

Recently, during the second annual convention of the German Medical Total Abstinence Society, which met in Braunschwig, a petition was sent by the assembled phy-

sicians to the Prussian Minister of Public Instruction demanding in all schools temperance teaching by means of tables of statistics and of drawing to show the effect of alcohol upon the human system and in self interest the practice of total abstinence during the school period. Discussions regarding the best methods of imparting instructions formed a valuable part of the conventional program. The Trueper Institution near Jena, in Germany has adopted total abstinence.

Prof. Dr. Ford, of Zurich Institution, of Zurich, presides over this Association of eighty German abstaining physicians.

A new German total abstinence journal has just been launched in Lutzenburg, Holstein. It is the organ of the German Teachers Abstinence Association and is called Die Enthaltamkeit.

## TO WHITE RIBBONERS.

The anti-polygamy fight should be begun at once, by seeking to convert two thirds of Congress to the avowed purpose of exclusion before Congress meets, and before the members are converted to the other side. Will you see that your Congressmen are called upon by individuals and deputations while they are at home, beginning at the earliest possible moment?

Will you also use your influence to have societies, churches, clubs, public meetings and Unions to adopt as early as possible the following or a similar resolution:

"Resolved that we hereby authorize the presiding officer of this meeting to appeal to President McKinley, in our behalf, to carry the anti-canteen law into full force and effect in accordance with its natural meaning, and the intent of Congress, by issuing an order as commander-in-chief of the Army, suppressing all liquor selling in the army, at least until the opinion of the Attorney General shall be finally tested in the courts."

We believe that you will bring these matters to the personal attention of your members. It is an opportunity to do great things by a comparatively small effort.

Hoping for triumphant success in these and all lines of our work, we remain, Yours cordially,

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS Pres. N. W. C. T. U.  
SUSANNA M. D. FRY, Cor. Sec.

## Program for June.

Quarterly Department Meeting.

Open with a fifteen minute song service by the L. T. L. Use Marching Songs No. 1.

First Piece in Book, "March of the Loyal Legion," Page 815.

SUNDAY.

Repeat Pledge; Motto; State and National; give Statute.

Page 30.

"Will Rally Round the Ballot Box."

Local superintendents, seated in a body, rise and repeat a text of Scripture suitable to her department.

PRAYER.

Ten minute paper on Sabbath observance, by Superintendent.

Ten minute paper on Flower Mission by Superintendent.

The Y's seated in a body, one of their number recite "Six or Seven Which," National Education No. 1, that is one of W. C. T. U. medal books.

A five minute talk on the Y Branch by the Y President or Secretary.

Y's take the collection and distribute the literature.

Close with Temperance Doxology and Benediction.

Note if the Union has no Y or L. T. L. Gather in the young people and children.

Division of the collection: one-half goes into the local treasury, one-fourth into that of the county, and one-fourth in the State.

May every individual member of the Indiana W. C. T. U. realize that the little orphan girls in our Hadley Industrial School are dependent upon us for their care and keeping. Before planning to financially assist another organization in securing homes for homeless children it will be well for us to be just before we are generous.



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### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### NEED FOR LITERATURE.

#### To Be Read in Each Local Union.

During the three years of my superintendency of work among colored people in Indiana W. C. T. U. I have, in reply to the many requests sent for literature, always referred those making the requests to the liberal and varied supply of general literature kept at our National Headquarters, directing that such leaflets etc., be selected as were best suited to the several needs.

It will be observed by reference to our W. T. P. A. catalogue, that for this department there are no special leaflets published. After having, for some time, given the subject careful consideration and having consulted a number of our workers, it became clear to my mind that the first and greatest need of the department was literature applying especially to it.

Mrs. Thurman our National Superintendent, wrote, in reply to my letter to her concerning the matter, that on account of her time being so wholly occupied with field work, that it would be impossible, at present, to give any time to the subject. Being thus left to my own resources I have, myself, prepared three leaflets.

The first, "Our Common Foe," is an appeal to our women and is intended to help them to realize their obligation to the colored people and to consider what added strength our cause may receive by securing their co-operation.

The second, "Suggestive Hints to Workers," is simply what its title indicates.

The third, "Mrs. Lucy Thurman, Our Pioneer in Work Among Colored People," has upon its cover, the picture of our national superintendent and contains a brief biographical sketch of her life and labors in the W. C. T. U. By request of the editor of the *Union Signal* this sketch in part was recently published in that paper.

The leaflet, however, contains a fuller account of Mrs. Thurman's work in the south, and other items of interest, than could be given in the *Signal*.

I have sent out requests to a number of our White Ribboners in the State asking for names and addresses of representative colored people, and the replies have been very encouraging, still comparatively few localities can be reached in this way. That as wide a circulation as possible be given these leaflets and other literature which I may wish to send out I ask our White Ribbon women and other friends of the cause kindly to send to me names and addresses of any persons to whom they wish samples sent.

No charge is made for them, and all requests will receive immediate response until the supply and funds for mailing them are exhausted. However, a two cent stamp for samples, or ten cents for one hundred of each of the three leaflets, enclosed in your letter will help along the work and will carefully be reported by me at the close of the year.

By the action of the late Mid Year State Executive Committee I shall be able this year to send out blanks for reports. I trust our workers will carefully note every item of work done, so that when reporting time comes nothing will be forgotten.

This is the most encouraging year I have had in this work, I know that God is leading the women of our state who have hearkened to His call to this field. Lack of space forbids giving extracts from letters received, but sisters, keep right on. I hope that others may write me of what they have done, or purpose doing, giving me names of county and local superintendents.

Organize unions if you can. The women, as a rule, desire this, but if you can not do so continue to sow the seed remembering that she, "That goeth forth with weeping bearing precious seed

will doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing her sheaves with her."

3346 Central Ave., Indianapolis.

### Department of Parliamentary Usage.

The plan in this department has been the study of the "Subsidiary Questions"—but so many inquiries come as to the necessary things to be taught and the best method of teaching especially new members, that very definite answers are required. So it is well to return and lay again the foundation of first principles, as what is meant by Parliamentary Usage, the necessity and manner of obtaining the floor; the proper form of making a motion; the rights and privileges of debate; the proper manner of adjourning about amendments; the main question or principal motion; the different forms and limitations of voting; what constitutes a quorum, etc.

Parliamentary Usages are so connected, that following out one line a great deal is learned about others. It might be well to make a specialty of the "Privileged Questions," the more advanced report taking up Organization, Committees and Resolutions. Some write asking what a drill is. It is any form of the study the superintendent or leader chooses. She may consider herself a teacher and the members of the Union a class and ask them any set of ten, twenty or thirty questions selected, and if they do not know the answers tell them, and have the members repeat them until all—not one or two women, but all—can answer promptly. Then proceed to the next set or lesson. Ten or fifteen minutes exercise of this kind at every meeting of the Union would be well spent and show great results in this department.

Another kind of drill for those who are more advanced is to practice on a motion and carry it through as many usages as possible.

Every Union should have for reference "Robert's Rules of Order," because it is the adopted authority of the W. C. T. U. and also a more simplified or easier work for study.

I have recommended Mrs. Lillian Cole-Bethel's Compendium or Question book for study (there may be others quite as good) and advise beginning on page 11, the first two questions, then skip to 14th question on page 12, continuing through pages 13, 14 and 15, then pages 32, 33, and on 35 concerning the main question, then about voting on pages 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 49 and 50. Of course these questions are only a foundation but any women thoroughly understanding these will know what is being done, and what to do, in whatever meeting they are, and are fully prepared for more advanced causes, and will wish to continue the study.

The report blanks have not yet been sent in to all the counties but will be soon, and in case any Union should fail to get one the questions to be answered are given here, the local making a report to the county and the county to me. If the county is unorganized the local should report directly to me. 1. How many Unions in your county? 2. How many practice Parliamentary Laws? 3. How many drills have been conducted in your Unions? 4. How many at your County Conventions? 5. Do the women practice Parliamentary Laws? 6. What helps do you use? 7. Name of County Superintendent or Local if county is unorganized.

Goodland, Ind. E. D. HARDY, State Sup't.

#### Press.

The plan of saving clipping from the newspapers and pasting them in column form, is being received with much favor by the press superintendents, and they are responding loyally to the call for this work. We were glad to be able to show more than 76 feet of printed matter at the mid-year meeting as the result of the first six weeks' work since the plan was published in the MESSAGE. I hope to have many hundred feet to take to the State Convention and to send to the National at Seattle, and earnestly desire that every county in Indiana be represented in this rather unique display. Will the president of each local Union see that a press superintendent is appointed who will attend to this work in her Union?

There is one honor that Indiana failed to secure at the last National Convention, and that was the silver star, awarded to the State press superintendent showing the best report. We have been urged to work for it this year. Shall we not make an extra effort to win it? I am told the prize was given for greatest amount of work done and correctness in detail in reporting. Let me again urge the superintendents to keep careful record of their work so as to be able to report the number of columns furnished the press. Some otherwise good reports, lack the answer to this question and count for nought in the general summing up of the amount of work. If there is any estimating to be done please do not leave it to the State Superintendent, but give in figures the exact or approximate number. I am glad to state that the work of this department shows a good increase over that of last year and is still growing.

908 E. Walnut St. FLORENCE E. VANCE, State Sup't.

#### Christian Citizenship.

I was appointed State Superintendent of this department last October. The work being entirely new to me, my not being very strong phy-

sically, and other providential hindrances, made it impossible for me to do as much as I had anticipated. Realizing the fact that nothing could be accomplished without education on the subject, my first thought was to learn where I should find literature adapted to this department, and as I was from time to time referred to the next, I began to think I was Samantha Allen in Washington. She wrote to the National Superintendent of the department and her reply was that she also was new in the work, and had not arranged any plans for the work. My next best thing was to gather all information I could from other sources and depend upon my own judgment for the balance. Have now written seventy letters to county presidents and others. Have distributed sixty pages of literature, and given one address. I give the temperance news every two weeks in the Current Event department of Progress Club, of South Bend. In this way I reach an influential class of women who never contact with W. C. T. U. work. Am now on the program for a talk on temperance before said club in May. My idea is to quietly and unostentatiously weave temperance in wherever I can, and reach, if possible, people of influence, that our work may have a wider scope. Have sent instructions, such as I had gathered, to nine local superintendents.

On March 17th was agreeably surprised on receiving plans for work from National Superintendent, which am now sending out to county superintendents. Two lectures have been given and one reception. 460 pages of literature have been distributed. Nine counties have been heard from and all are making a beginning. Received five dollars State appropriation; also forty cents from Miss Brooks, of Loogootee Union. Have spent for stationery and leaflets \$2.10. Realizing the fact that people need education on this subject, am trying to be judicious with this small amount, not using it for letter heads, etc., but using it in literature where I think it will be of more value.

May the Lord open the way to touch the hearts of these grand and good women, whom I am trying to reach.

M. ALMIRA L. STAPLES, State Sup't.

#### Work Among Miners.

"At no period in our history has the necessity for Christian temperance work among miners been more apparent than in the closing years of this century of social regeneration." If there is not a superintendent in every county of this department, I urge the appointment of one. If you have mines in your vicinity procure the names of all the workmen from the superintendent and then visit each home systematically.

1. How many miners employed?
2. How many homes visited by your workers?
3. How many of the men, women and children are Christians?
4. How many conversions this year?
5. How many miners' wives are members of the W. C. T. U.
6. How many miners and their children are in Sunday schools.
7. Have you a mercy band.
8. How many children in industrial school and L. T. L.
9. Have you a night school.
10. How many Bibles have been distributed?
11. How many pages of literature have been distributed?
12. How many scrap books to miners' children?
13. How many temperance meetings held?
14. How many signed the pledge?
15. How many saloons are in reach of your miners?
16. How many appeals to the mining companies for aid in your work and what result?

Questions to be answered in counties where there are no miners

1. To how many men do you send literature?
2. How often do you send?
3. How many pages have you sent?
4. How much money have you expended?
5. How many letters have you sent to the men.
6. How many replies have you received?
7. What other work have you done for miners?

Will not every local superintendent do her best in carrying out these plans, as they are the questions your State Superintendent has to report to the National Superintendent.

ELLEN K. DENNY, State Sud't., work among miners.

#### Equal Suffrage.

The address, given at Franklin on Thursday evening, March 2nd by Miss Marie C. Brehm, national superintendent of franchise on equal suffrage, was unusually good.

"In the beginning," she said, "God created the heavens and the earth and all that in them is," and said it is good. "Then he created man," and for the first time said, "It is not good for man to be alone; I will make him an helpmeet." "Women are taxed," said she, while not entitled to representation. And the oft repeated excuse for denying the ballot to women, that "Female suffrage would require women to take up arms in national conflict," was proven by Miss Brehm to be no bar to the ballot for; all men over forty-five years of age, and all men who are incapable



through physical disability of taking up arms are exempted. She also made it plain that equal responsibility of parents in the care of children required equal rights to the ballot box. The plea that "if women voted bad women would be entitled to the ballot, and that there are more bad women than bad men," was also refuted by her. She proved that morality of women not only equals but exceeds that of men, as the number of men in prisons and saloons, the two lowest institutions, is much greater than that of women, while in the church, the very highest institution on earth, the women outnumber the men, the per cent of women being about three-fourths. It was also proved by her, very conclusively, that women are not lacking in intellectual requirements necessary to eligibility at the ballot box, from the vast number of girls and young women graduated every year from our schools and colleges. The well worn excuse that "women would vote just as their husbands did anyhow," was said by Miss Brehm not even believed by the men themselves to be true; "for," said she, "if the men believed it, they would every one of them pack up their grips at once go as quickly as possible to Washington, D. C., to intercede for an amendment to the constitution of the U. S., giving national suffrage to women." Another reason why Christians should advocate suffrage, she urged, was because state and national liquor leagues and brewers associations at all their conventions passed resolutions in favor of discouraging female suffrage, as they greatly fear the effect of woman's ballot on their business."

Mrs. OLIVE BYERS,  
Co. Corres. Secy., W. C. T. U.  
Franklin, Ind., March 11, 1899.

#### Report of Department of Household Evils.

I believe it safe to say that we all make our bow with grateful hearts; not to the Legislature that is to come, but to the one that is come and just retired, for all the reform legislation it has done. Our pure food law, as the result of their deliberations is without doubt second only to the one of the great State of New York. And now Sisters feel at perfect liberty to forward a sample of any food you have cause to suspect, to the Secretary of the State Board of Health, Dr. J. N. Hurty, State Home, Indianapolis, Ind.

I ask him to reply through the papers. This breaking up food adulteration is a co-operative work and each one of us share in the responsibility, if the law becomes effective. At our coming State convention I desire a report from every county, whether the penal and benevolent institutions have papered walls, painted, kalsomined or white-washed; whether or not they have wood carpets or the kind that harbors germs, microbes, etc. Such places should have as few draperies as possible and be supplied with modern bathing facilities. We have secured the promise from the powers that be, to plant fruit trees and vines in every available bit of ground belonging to our public institutions, as it is the testimony of physicians that more fruit should be used in their daily rations. Yours for health,

MARY A. MOODY.

#### Elwood Brehm W. C. T. U.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, our National Superintendent of Franchise, was with us a week beginning February 12th. She spoke in the M. E. church. We held Parlor meetings each afternoon.

February 17th we celebrated the Heavenly birthday of Francis E. Willard in a pleasing and effectual manner.

Miss Brehm is a woman of remarkable intellectual power and possesses wonderful executive ability, and is a forceful speaker. This was the second time Miss Brehm has been here. The first time, a year ago, and through her enthusiastic and energetic powers good seed was sown and the Brehm W. C. T. U. was organized, also the Ys.

We all wear Miss Brehm's pictures for badge pins showing to which Union we belong. We have done a good work in all departments, taken up by us, in the one year we have been organized, many having been added to our number.

We have a flourishing L. T. L.

We gave a reception for our new members, had a nice program and served refreshments. We also participated in a surprise given on the wife of one of our ministers. We had prayer, gospel songs, temperance recitations, and also served refreshments.

The Franchise petition was presented and all signed but two.

A great deal of interest was manifested by a number taking the pledge.

At our last regular meeting we had Bible reading. Subject, "Walking with God."

We are now joining in the effort to banish the use of liquor from the Soldiers' Homes.

Our subject is to abolish the entire liquor traffic, and we earnestly urge for an increase of interest along this line, and pray that we all may work diligently to this end.

MARY C. GIRTON.

Mrs. Ida Enbanks, treasurer of Gilford Union, of Dearborn County, writes: "We are few in number but strong in heart and we intend to do all in our power to make our Union a success. We held an open meeting last week with a good attendance and much good seed sown."

### MARTIN COUNTY'S ODE.

(Tune: "Marching Through Georgia.")

Old Martin's heard the clarion call,  
Her legion's so strong and brave;  
She's working hard with might and main  
The precious soul to save;  
With solid front and banners gay,  
The pinnacle she'll win,  
Marching on to Victory.

(Chorus)

Hurrah! Hurrah! 'Tis Martin county's call;  
Hurrah! Hurrah! For the bravest band of all.  
We're fighting Satan's strongest hold,  
Success is in the air;  
Marching on to Victory!

Old Martin's aim is for the top,  
Nor pause will she a jot;  
But struggle on and upward where  
The battle's raging hot;  
Her emblem white is glistening  
And beckons all to come,—  
Marching on to Victory!

(Chorus)

When the glad last day has come to all,  
You'll find her at the front;  
With motto, blazoned on her brow,  
"How well you stood the brunt!"  
Her good work will be everywhere  
In plainest evidence,—  
Marching on to Victory!

(Chorus)

—ARTHUR CHARLES O'BRIAN.

### FIELD NOTES.

Hebron votes for every member to take the MESSAGE.

Hoagland Union has doubled its membership since September.

Miss Zella Miller is the new president of the Martinsville "Y."

Decatur holds its gospel temperance meetings on Sunday afternoon.

The President of Deer Creek Union has not missed a meeting in eight years.

Frankfort Union sends *Signal* and MESSAGE to every newspaper editor in the City.

Petersville, Hope and Columbus will try to make subscription list equal membership.

Bloomington sends Ministerial Club and furnishes University Library with the MESSAGE.

The New Albany "Y," assisted by other young people held very successful memorial services for Miss Willard.

A new Union at Nashville. Every White Ribboner takes the MESSAGE. The ministers Union *Signal* and MESSAGE.

Since State Convention Mrs. Travis, of Elkhart, has sent 34 MESSAGE and 4 *Union Signal* subscriptions. Who next?

Hardinsburg sent their \$2.—memorial fund to Chicago. The Union has been greatly burdened by sickness this past winter.

Versailles rejoices because of the addition of six new members, the return of former ones and a prospect of other additions.

Mrs. Minnie McKnight, President of the Crawfordsville Union, sends a donation of ten dollars for the Hadley Industrial School.

The Eunice P. Wilson Union, of Upland, has 68 members. They cleared thirteen dollars from a market in the front of the Post Office April 23d.

Owen County just re-organized. They will try to make the subscription list to the MESSAGE equal to the membership. 11 Ws and 4 honoraries.

Shelbyville Y is to have a debate between a regular and an honorary member. Resolved, "That it is better to have high license than free whiskey."

Mrs. Alice Geary, State Superintendent of Department of Sunday-school, has moved to 612 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis. Marion County White-Ribboners rejoice.

South Marian Y officers: President, Pearl Allen; Vice-President, Lizzie Painter; Rec. Secretary, Cleas Hadley; Cor. Secretary, Louie Hutchins; Treasurer, Edith Fields.

Petersburg has very successful mothers' meetings once a month. The Union is growing in membership and interest. Their memorial service brought out a full house.

Posy County has 15 County Superintendents who have promised to work. The new "Y." secretary is Mrs. Mollie Finney, "a very capable woman," writes the county president.

Elwood Brehm Union Superintendents: Evangelistic, Mrs. Mary E. Gorton; Mothers' Meeting, Mrs. Ella Beebes; Literature, Sarah Hannah; Flower Mission, Mrs. Lissa Jones; Franchise, Sarah Adair; Narcotics, Miss Kate Nuding.

On April 10th Mrs. K. T. A. Straw and Mrs. Mathews organized a Union at Laketon. President, Mrs. A. E. Henry; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Ora Strauss Odgen; Rec. Secretary, Miss Flora Dunn; Treasurer, Mrs. Rev. Stangle. Three cheers for Wabash County.

The Temperance Women, of Dillsboro, seeing the urgent need of work in their town decided to circulate a remonstrance against Jacob Gerster, who had advertised preparatory to making application for license. It was in the month of February and the weather and roads could not have

been worse. But the women, brave souls, buckled on the armor of faith and with the Heavenly Father as their guide started forth. They were successful, getting a majority of the voters of Clay township to sign. We have one saloon less today.

A short time ago a very interesting Peace meeting was held at the home of Robert Denny. The program consisted of short quotations from current press opinions on the subject, followed by selections from the MESSENGER and general discussion. Appropriate songs were also rendered.

The South Bend Willard Memorial Y gave a reception at the Y. M. C. A. last evening to members and their friends, and about 200 young people were present. After a fine program of music and recitations the young ladies served coffee and cake and a social time was enjoyed. More than a dozen new members were secured.

Mrs. Lenard, of South Bend, writes: "Our Institute is a success in every particular. Music fine, both instrumental and vocal. New members added. All Unions in the county have raised their membership fees to \$1.00. Twenty-five cents of this is for the State paper. They hope every county in the State will do likewise."

Mrs. Burton, of South Bend, writes that their Institute was fine. The contest was greatly enjoyed. Miss Slick won the medal. She reports the new Y. as quite a success. The second open meeting will be held on the 9th. About 300 present at their first and 8 or 10 new members secured. 10 or 15 have promised to join at their next meeting.

Mrs. M. A. Holloway, of Lincolnville, writes: "I do not like to miss even one number of the dear MESSAGE, so please book me for one year's subscription, beginning with the April number and I will remit soon. I am the only White Ribbon in this place and you can not bend an old tree, but I am training the children and the day is not far off when there will be a Union here."

Our National Officers and Mrs. Hannah J. Bailey, National Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration, request that so far as possible every Union hold a Peace meeting in May. The Union *Signal* of April 27th contains a program which can be adapted to local conditions. Now is the time to take advantage of public interest in this subject and give the people a good bit of education while the iron is hot.

Mrs. Anderman, of Hartford City, writes: I read your letter in which you urge each member to subscribe for the MESSAGE. The President and Superintendent of Literature followed with a few words of earnest appeal, in a few minutes 12 names were added to our club of 19, making 31 copies for our Union. One of our members who moved seven miles in the country nearly two years ago sent her report. She said she still wore the white ribbon on her breast and in her heart. She had distributed 800 pages of literature, sent 25 bouquets with a card, verse and knot of white ribbon, had a S. S. class in her own home and had fitted up a room in a detached building with a gas stove and comfortable bed in which she let men sleep who were walking through the country. The Union instructed the Secretary to send her a note of loving sympathy.

Westfield Union is in a flourishing condition under the efficient leadership of Mrs. M. E. Cox. At the business meetings, held the second Thursday in each month, reports of superintendents show much good work being done. The loss of two of our best workers who have been recently called to their Heavenly home will be much felt by our Union, and those remaining feel the need of more earnest effort in carrying forward the work so zealously done by the missing ones. At our literary meetings held the fourth Thursday of each month, the subject of the meeting is usually presented in an original paper followed by select readings, general discussions, and recitations by little folks who are already showing a deep interest in W. C. T. U. work. These exercises are plentifully interspersed with good selections of music from our "White Ribbon Hymnal."

South Bend Central Union is doing excellent work. The dues have been raised from eighty cents to \$1.00. Each and every member will now receive the MESSAGE. The Union has a membership contest which holds good to September 15th, of this year. The one securing the largest number of new members by September 15th, will be sent as delegates to the State convention and expenses paid. By this method I think we will double our membership. Once a month we give a coffee social for the benefit of South Bend Rescue Home for Friendless Women; established in November, 1898, by the persistent efforts of Mrs. Fairchild and others. We invite the public to these meeting socials through the columns of the Press. Both of the leading papers of the City publish the notices free of charge. W. T. P. A. leaflets are distributed which are graciously received; also secure new members. With the money secured in this way we have already bought a large drugget, writing desk and a dresser and placed them in the home. A few weeks ago our County President, Mrs. Shonts, assisted by the County Executive organized a Y. W. C. T. U. with 10 or more members. Its officers are President, Miss Andrews; Vice-President, Miss Cora Case; Rec. Secretary, Miss Nettie Ward; Cor. Secretary, Miss Agnes Butts; Treasurer, Miss Cool; Loyally, Mrs. Cora Wert-Siever.



# TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

DEAR SISTERS—I am glad to submit to you through the columns of THE MESSAGE, the second quarterly report of your work for this year. I do this with greater pleasure than usual, for in comparing this report with the December report, I find there is so much for encouragement. The first quarter 62 counties and 167 unions reported. The second quarter 36 counties and 192 unions. The first quarter 36 counties and 89 unions appeared on the Honor roll. The second quarter 42 counties and 132 unions. Of this number 24 counties and 37 unions have appeared on the Honor roll both quarters. Shall we not make this quarter exceed the last? I am sure, with a little extra effort in His name, we can do it. The work of the institutes has resulted in many additions to our already increasing membership. To those counties where institutes have not yet been held, let me urge the appointment of one or more persons whose special duty it is to solicit new members. Collect the dues at once, if it is at all convenient, as it will be much easier to do now than later on. By earnest and prayerful effort the list upon the Honor roll will be greatly increased.

The quarterly blanks will be sent to the county treasurers the last week in this month. Let me again ask the Local treasurers to be prompt in sending reports to the county treasurer by the 21st and will county treasurers please not hold reports longer than the 22nd before sending to the State treasurer that not a single report may be late this quarter.

I respectfully submit the following report:

Decatur.....	\$2 50	Anderson.....	3 00
Hoagland.....	3 00	Lapel.....	50
Hope.....	1 50	Alexandria.....	3 00
Petersville.....	50	Elwood, Willard.....	5 50
Columbus.....	1 50	" Brehm.....	6 00
Azalia.....	1 00	Frankton.....	2 00
Boswell.....	1 00	Indianapolis, N. East.....	4 00
Otterbein.....	50	" S. East.....	5 00
Lochiel.....	50	" Central.....	5 00
Talbot.....	3 50	" Tarleton.....	6 00
Hartford City.....	9 00	" Mapleton.....	4 50
Millgrove.....	1 00	" Meridian.....	7 00
Thorntown.....	4 00	" Wallace.....	3 00
Lebanon.....	1 00	" Willard.....	6 00
Zionsville.....	1 25	" West.....	4 00
Logansport, Central.....	6 50	Valley Mills.....	1 00
West Side.....	2 50	Bridgeport.....	3 00
Lucerne.....	2 00	Center.....	50
Jeffersonville.....	6 50	Broad Ripple.....	1 50
Brazil.....	10 50	Plymouth.....	2 00
Frankfort.....	10 00	Argos.....	2 00
" Willard.....	4 50	Bourbon.....	1 50
Mulberry.....	4 50	Loogootee.....	3 50
Sedalia.....	4 00	Shoals.....	1 50
Rossville.....	50	Peru.....	3 00
Jefferson.....	4 00	Amboy.....	3 00
Manson.....	5 00	Bloomington.....	3 25
Farmers Chapel.....	1 50	Martinsville.....	5 50
Alton.....	50	Monrovia.....	6 00
Moore's Hill.....	1 50	Paragon.....	7 00
Guilford.....	1 50	Mooreville.....	3 50
Greensburg.....	4 00	Brooklyn.....	3 00
Amherst.....	1 50	Kentland.....	50
Butler.....	3 00	Albion.....	1 00
Waterloo.....	1 00	Ligonier.....	3 00
St. Joe.....	2 00	LaOtto.....	50
Garrett.....	1 00	Wawaka.....	1 50
Muncie.....	4 50	Bloomington.....	1 00
Albany.....	1 50	Petersburg.....	2 62
Eaton.....	5 00	Hebron.....	1 63
Huntingburg.....	2 00	Valparaiso.....	1 00
Duff.....	1 00	Mount Vernon.....	3 00
Portersville.....	1 50	Cedar.....	1 87
Nappanee.....	10 50	Winchester.....	1 50
Elkhart.....	2 50	Union City.....	1 50
Bristol.....	1 00	New Pittsburg.....	50
Middlebury.....	1 00	Sunman.....	3 00
Goshen.....	2 50	Carthage.....	2 50
New Albany.....	3 75	Manilla.....	2 00
Covington.....	50	Milroy.....	50
Bath.....	4 20	Walnut Ridge.....	4 00
Brookville.....	2 50	Shelbyville.....	6 00
Princeton.....	1 50	Morristown.....	1 00
South Marion.....	7 50	Grandview.....	1 00
Fairmount.....	5 00	Angola.....	4 00
Upland.....	5 50	Ashley.....	50
Back Creek.....	1 50	Fremont.....	3 00
Deer Creek.....	7 00	Pleasant Lake.....	3 00
Marion.....	2 50	Ray.....	3 00
Worthington.....	3 50	South Bend, Central.....	7 00
Lyons.....	1 50	" Colfax Ave.....	1 50
Atlanta.....	3 00	" Chapin Pk.....	50
Westfield.....	2 50	LaFayette.....	6 50
Western Grove.....	2 50	Central.....	2 50
Greenfield.....	2 00	Stockwell.....	50
Fortville.....	1 00	Liberty.....	1 00
Coatesville.....	1 05	College Corner.....	3 00
Plainfield.....	1 00	Evansville.....	5 00
Newcastle.....	1 00	Lamasco.....	1 00
Greensburg.....	6 00	Dana.....	3 00
Cadiz.....	6 00	Terre Haute, W. Side.....	1 50
Spiceland.....	2 50	" E. Joyce.....	2 00
Kokomo.....	5 00	" Central.....	3 00
Greentown.....	1 00	" Collett Pk.....	6 00
Lindley.....	1 50	North Manchester.....	29 00
West Middleton.....	1 50	South Wabash.....	1 00
New London.....	2 50	Wabash.....	7 00
Huntington.....	2 00	Richmond, Willard.....	5 00
Warren.....	1 00	" M. F. Thomas.....	5 50
Red Key.....	4 50	Fountain City.....	1 50
Portland.....	50	Boston.....	2 00
Dunkirk.....	4 00	Economy.....	1 00
Briant.....	5 00	Centerville.....	1 50
Franklin.....	2 00	Bluffton.....	2 50
Crown Point.....	1 50	Ossian.....	4 00
Hammond.....	2 50	Ponets.....	1 00
LaPorte.....	\$2 00	Monon.....	3 00
Westville.....	50	Churubusco.....	3 50
Michigan City.....	2 50	South Whitley.....	50
Pendleton.....	8 00		
Total.....			\$545 47

## Y Dues.

Talbot.....	\$4 00	Indianapolis, N. E.....	\$2 50
Lochiel.....	2 00	Martinsville.....	2 50
Goshen.....	8 50	Mount Vernon.....	3 40
LaPorte.....	7 00	South Bend, Willard.....	1 00
Anderson.....	9 00	Terre Haute, Hadley.....	2 50
Elwood.....	6 50	Total.....	\$48 90
Total membership dues.....			\$594 37

## Summary of Receipts.

Balance from last quarter.....	\$4 07
Sale of Record Books.....	1 65

Convention Fund.....	1 00
Wool Soap Wrappers.....	3 30
Donation for Organization (Olive Peele).....	10 00
" (Jennie Bates).....	5 00
" State work, Florence Union.....	4 50
For Hadley School.....	56 00
For National Willard Memorial Fund.....	6 00
National Life Membership for Mrs. L. F. McWhirter.....	5 50
State life membership for Mary Balch.....	20 00
Part on State life membership Mrs. M. Ross, Wabash.....	3 30
Return check M. A. Tompkins.....	1 00
Advertisement in minutes.....	10 60
Willard Pins and Pictures.....	1 70
For expenses of L. T. L. president to L. T. L. national convention.....	7 68
Collections and receipts at Wabash mid-year conference.....	10 00
Sale of minutes.....	30 00
Dues.....	594 37
Total.....	\$775 37

## Disbursements.

To Ratti for Message supplement.....	\$10 00
Annual reports.....	245 40
Other printing.....	26 50
Hadley Industrial School.....	56 00
Expenses to state convention for Marie E. Brehm.....	6 00
Epworth Heralds.....	3 00
Telephone messages.....	1 05
Mary Balch, quarterly expenses.....	26 39
Mary Balch, appropriation.....	125 00
Half tones for legislative work.....	3 00
National Willard memorial fund.....	6 00
Mary Hadley, quarterly expense account.....	5 27
Mary Hadley, premium for work in Vigo county.....	15 00
Mattie Cammack, quarterly expense account.....	4 40
Other legislative work.....	45 51
Mrs. Trego, services and expenses at Wabash state executive conference.....	16 03
Mrs. Eldridge, expenses to and from Wabash.....	2 90
Medal for State Executive conference.....	5 00
Telegram.....	26
Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, appropriation.....	22 50
Y dues, Clara Sears.....	19 96
National dues.....	119 00
By balance.....	11 20
Total.....	\$775 37

## Counties Gained, and the Number of Members Gained Over Corresponding Quarter Last Year, (Each 50 Cents Represents One Member.)

Adams.....	\$2 50	Lake.....	\$2 50
Bartholomew.....	50	LaPorte.....	8 00
Blackford.....	6 00	Madison.....	25 50
Boone.....	75	Marion.....	4 00
Clay.....	3 50	Miami.....	2 25
Clinton.....	14 50	Monroe.....	1 00
Delaware.....	6 50	Morgan.....	12 50
Dubois.....	1 10	Pike.....	2 62
Elkhart.....	50	Posey.....	3 40
Floyd.....	2 00	Randolph.....	2 37
Fountain.....	50	Ripley.....	3 00
Franklin.....	5 20	Rush.....	5 50
Gibson.....	1 50	Shelby.....	2 00
Hamilton.....	50	Steuben.....	7 50
Hancock.....	1 00	Tiptecanoe.....	9 00
Henry.....	1 37	Vermillion.....	1 00
Howard.....	2 00	Vigo.....	10 50
Huntington.....	1 50	Wabash.....	22 75
Jay.....	6 15	Wells.....	2 50

## Counties Having Paid the Same as was Paid in the Corresponding Quarter Last Year.

Crawford.....	\$ 50	Martin.....	\$5 00
Hendricks.....	2 00	Johnson.....	2 00

## Unions Having Gained Over the Corresponding Quarter Last Year. Each 50 Cents Represents a Member.

Decatur.....	\$2 50	Elwood, Willard.....	\$3 50
Hoagland.....	1 50	" Brehm (new).....	6 00
Columbus.....	1 50	" Y, (new).....	6 50
Hartford City.....	6 00	Pendleton.....	3 00
Lochiel Y.....	2 00	Frankton (new).....	2 00
Millgrove.....	1 00	Indianapolis, S. East.....	2 50
Lebanon.....	1 00	" N. East.....	4 00
Logansport, Central.....	1 50	" Willard.....	6 00
Lucerne.....	2 00	" N. East Y New.....	2 50
Brazil.....	3 50	" Wallace.....	2 00
Frankfort.....	3 00	" Tarleton.....	1 00
Mulberry.....	2 00	" West.....	200
Sedalia.....	2 00	Plymouth.....	1 50
Jefferson.....	2 00	Shoale.....	1 50
Manson (new).....	5 00	Loogootee.....	3 50
Farmers Chapel (new).....	1 50	Peru.....	3 00
Guilford (new).....	1 50	Bloomington.....	1 00
St. Joe.....	1 00	Martinsville Y.....	1 50
Eaton.....	4 00	Martinsville.....	1 00
Albany.....	50	Mooreville.....	2 00
Muncie.....	4 50	Brooklyn.....	1 00
Huntingburg.....	1 00	Monrovia.....	7 00
Duff.....	1 00	Petersburg.....	2 62
Petersville.....	50	Mount Vernon Y.....	3 40
Goshen Y.....	8 50	New Pittsburg.....	50
Nappanee.....	3 00	Cedar.....	1 87
Covington.....	50	Sunman (new).....	3 00
Brookville.....	1 00	Manilla.....	1 00
Bath (new).....	4 20	Milroy.....	50
Princeton.....	1 50	Walnut Ridge.....	4 00
South Marion.....	6 00	Shelbyville.....	2 00
Upland.....	3 00	Grandview.....	1 00
Worthington.....	1 00	Fremont.....	2 00
Atlanta.....	3 00	Pleasant Lake.....	1 00
Fortville.....	50	Ray.....	3 00
Greenfield.....	1 00	South Bend, Willard Y.....	1 00
Coatesville.....	50	(new).....	1 00
Greensboro.....	1 00	Stockwell.....	50
Cadiz.....	50	College Corner.....	50
Lindley.....	2 00	Lamasco.....	1 00
West Middleton.....	1 50	Dana.....	1 00
Huntington.....	50	Terre Haute, Central.....	1 50
Warren.....	1 00	" Hadley Y.....	1 00
Dunkirk.....	50	" Emma Joyce.....	2 00
Red Key.....	2 15	(new).....	2 00
Briant (new).....	5 00	T. H. Collett Pk (new).....	6 00
Hammond.....	2 50	Wabash.....	3 00
Michigan City.....	1 00	North Manchester.....	22 75
LaPorte.....	50	Richmond, Willard.....	50
LaPorte Y.....	7 00	Centerville.....	50
Anderson Y.....	6 50	Ossian.....	3 00

## Unions Having Paid for the Same Number of Members as was Paid the Corresponding Quarter Last Year.

Azalia.....	\$1 00	Bridgeport.....	\$3 00
Thorntown.....	4 00	Wawaka.....	1 50
Boswell.....	1 00	Mount Vernon.....	3 00
Butler.....	3 00	Union City.....	1 50
Rossville.....	50	Winchester.....	1 50
Greentown.....	1 00	Carthage.....	2 50
Alton.....	2 50	Morristown.....	1 00
Westfield.....	2 50	Ashley.....	50
New London.....	2 50	LaFayette.....	6 50
Franklin.....	2 00	Terre Haute, W. Side.....	1 50
Crown Point.....	1 50	South Wabash.....	1 00
Lapel.....	50	Fountain City.....	1 50
Alexandria.....	3 00	Bluffton.....	2 50
Paragon.....	3 50	Churubusco.....	3 50

Sincerely yours,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

June 18th is our next Temperance Sunday—The subject of the lesson is "The New Life in Christ", Col. 3:1-15. Golden text, "Let the peace of God rule in your hearts."

This a splendid lesson and I trust each superintendent will strive to secure the very best results from the study of it.

To this end we recommend:

1. That an effort be made to introduce Bible Temperance in normal class work in the Sunday-school. An excellent book to recommend is "Bible Temperance Studies," by Griffith, price 75 cents. Send to W. T. P. A., Chicago, Ill.

2. That temperance secretaries be appointed in every Sunday school, and an effort be made to secure complete statistics.

3. That work be inaugurated in the Home department of the Sunday school by the introduction of the family temperance pledge and temperance literature, and that members of the Sunday school be influenced to secure signatures of parents to the family temperance pledge.

4. That special effort be made to increase the pledge membership in the Sunday schools, and the national Sunday school pledge chain continued.

5. That Union teachers meetings be held for the study of the temperance lesson. These occasions may be made most helpful. Local superintendents and temperance secretaries will arrange for them. A reception to the Sunday school teachers and officers with a talk on the temperance lesson will be a pleasant change. All this will tend to unify the Sunday school workers and bring about systematic temperance work.

6. That Sunday school work be emphasized in all W. C. T. U. conventions and presented at institutes and schools of methods. Let conference of Sunday school workers be a feature of every W. C. T. U. convention.

Try the plan of securing co-workers as found in the Plan of Work. We want the Plan of Work Leaflet to reach every union. Will every county and local superintendent please send me her name and address at once if she has not already done so. Will presidents of unions who have not taken up this department kindly send me their name and address, that I may try to convince them of the need of this most important line of work.

Some send to me for supplies which I do not keep on hand, I then forward the order to the National Superintendent. If you do not receive them in due time kindly let me know.

Thanking those who so promptly reported, and asking that all will try to realize the importance of reporting on time, I close with expectations of good and great work being accomplished in the next few months. Note my change of residence.

Yours,

ALICE G. GEARY, State Sup't

621 North Illinois st., Indianapolis.

## Program for Demorest Memorial Medal Contest, June 10-16.

Hymn, "America," by audience.  
Scripture reading, Psalms 1 and 15.  
Prayer.  
Sketch of the life of Mr. and Mrs. Demorest.  
Song by the L. T. L., "Saloons must go."  
Flag drill, sixteen boys and girls, followed by "Songs of the Flags."  
Recitation, by contestant No. 1.  
Recitation, by contestant No. 2.  
Singing, "The White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner."  
Recitation, by contestant No. 3.  
Recitation, by contestant No. 4.  
Song, "She Sails by the Stars."  
Recitation, by contestant No. 5.  
Recitation, by contestant No. 6.  
Song, "To the breeze we Fling our Banner."  
Solo and chorus.  
Decision of the judges.  
Singing the pledge and canvassing audience for new members.  
Doxology.  
Benediction.  
At the national convention in St. Paul, a resolution was adopted that June 10, Mr. Demorest's birthday, be set apart as a memorial medal contest day of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jennings Demorest, and that on this day medal contests be held by all local unions.

It will be seen in the program that while the judges are making their decision opportunity is given for signing the pledge and canvassing the audience for new members. We want three-thousand young women to join us on this day; shall we work for it? While this is being done local superintendents can give a brief outline of the work.

The songs are found in the "White Ribbon Hymnal," with the exception of the "White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner." This can be had by sending to the W. T. P. A., price fifteen cents per hundred. The flag drill is in a book of drills, marches, etc., and may be procured of the National Superintendent, price ten cents. We advise recitations on the one line that Mr. Demorest worked for and gave so largely to viz., Prohibition.

For books, medals and instructions write the State superintendent.

MARY E. BALCH,

711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.



Hold a W. C. T. U. Picnic on July 4, and have a Medal Contest.

# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## OUR BADGE.

It is only a knot of ribbon white,  
As white and pure as the snow;  
It shines and gleams like a beacon light  
In the world's dark valley of woe.

It is worn o'er many a loyal heart,  
O'er hearts that are good and true,  
To help the sinner away from the dark,  
And give them a life anew.

All over the earth, from south to north,  
From the east to the golden west,  
It whispers of woman's sterling worth  
As it trembles on her breast.

It tells of a purpose staunch and firm,  
Of a purpose holy and pure;  
It tells of a victory that shall come  
If the strong hearts still endure.

It is only a bow of ribbon white,  
But it shines in every land;  
It shines as an emblem of the right  
In the woman's Christian band.

On the rich and poor, on the young and old,  
This badge of love we see,  
And its snowy sheen is the key of gold  
That shall unlock liberty.

It silently speaks of the sweetest praise  
That ever a poet sung;  
It is ushering in the better days,  
And the victory sure to come.

## THE ARMY CANTEN.

Congress abolished the canteen. The law is as plain as the intent, to which the clearest expression was given when the subject was under discussion. The text of the law is as follows:

Sec. 17. That no officer or private soldier shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks, as a bartender or otherwise, in any post exchange or canteen, nor shall any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States, and the Secretary of War is hereby directed to issue such general order as may be necessary to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect.

Sec. 18. That all laws or parts of laws which conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

United States Attorney General Griggs interprets this action of Congress as not intended to modify or affect in any way the sale of intoxicating drinks in the post exchanges or canteens, but to forbid soldiers to sell; civilians, however, may serve as bartenders.

In regard to this decision of Attorney General Griggs, Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard, senior secretary of the missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church writes:

No such outrage has ever been perpetrated by one high in authority as the practical annulling of the anti-canteen law by Attorney-General Griggs and Secretary of War Alger. They must presume at once upon the willingness of President McKinley to support, and the stupidity and servility of the people to silently acquiesce in, the high-handed act of nullification they have for the time being consummated. But they have counted without their host, so far as the people are concerned; and unless the President countermands the order that continues the sale of intoxicating liquors with only a change of bartenders in post exchanges, he may find, when it is too late, that he has counted without his host also. He sorely tried the patience of many of his best friends by permitting the canteen to go on doing its deadly work before the law prohibiting it was passed by Congress, when, as everybody knows, he could have abolished it with a single sentence; but now to permit the will of the people as expressed by Congress to be defeated by the Attorney General's opinion and the Secretary of War's order is to reach a point where patience ceases to be a virtue.

Chicago has a butcher for every 205 and a saloon for every 35 families.

The saloons are well attended by men; the churches are poorly attended by men.

Either President McKinley does not want the army canteen abolished, or he is afraid to abolish it.

Saloon men fight the opponents of the saloon unitedly. Church men often fight each other, instead of fighting the saloon.

The Indiana Supreme court has given a decision upholding the Sunday law against the demands of baseball clubs for Sunday games.

Our War secretary, Mr. Alger, makes haste to adopt Grigg's decision and the evil spirits of the canteen are let loose again! These two men are Cabinet officers for whom President McKinley (for whose election some of us strove so zealous-

ly) is directly responsible; will he not as "commander-in-chief" lay hands on them? What can be done?—The Rev. Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, in "The Evangelist."

Saloon men vote solidly and persistently with and for the saloon. Church men vote scatteringly and fluctuatingly for "temperance and good government."

Saloon men compel candidates for office to pledge themselves to their support before they will vote for them. Church men say, "He is a good man; we will trust him."

Six of the National Soldiers' Homes spent over \$234,000 for liquor in their canteens last year. Shame on a government that places temptation before its old soldiers and takes their money for liquor.

After all there may be a Providence in this struggle to banish the canteen. The contest is forcing people to take sides. It is showing the power of the liquor element. It is revealing its relation to politics.

In his "American Notes," page 121, Rudyard Kipling, the English author whose stories and poems are read by all the English-speaking world tells how, in a concert hall in the city of Buffalo, he saw two young men get two girls drunk and then lead them reeling down a dark street: Mr. Kipling has not been a total abstainer nor have his writings commended temperance, but of that scene he writes:

"Then, recanting previous opinions. I became a Prohibitionist. Better it is that a man should go without his beer in public places, and content himself with the narrow-mindedness of the majority; better it is to poison the inside with very vile temperance drinks, and to buy lager furtively at back doors, than to bring temptation to the lips of young fools such as the four I had seen. I understand now why the preachers rage against drink. I have said 'There is no harm in it, taken moderately,' and yet my own demand for beer helped directly to send these two girls reeling down the dark street to—God alone knows to what end. If liquor is worth drinking, it is worth taking a little trouble to come at—such trouble as a man will undergo to compass his own desires. It is not good that we should let it lie before the eyes of children, and I have been a fool in writing to the contrary."

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

National rallying cry: "Pro-hi-bi-tion! Saloons must go."

State rallying cry:

Rah! Rah! Rah! We clover blossoms are a-field.

Why? Saloons must die.

Hear their knell. Indiana L. T. L.

At Prohibition Park, Staten Island, on July 11, 12 and 13, will be held the New York State convention of the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion, and an Interstate Loyal Temperance Legion conference. Several hundred graduates of the L. T. L. training school are expected to attend as delegates, and delegates are expected from Indiana, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Vermont, Virginia, etc. There will be addresses by the Rev. Charles Wesley Burns, of Philadelphia, Mrs. G. R. Alden (Pansy) and others. Commencement exercises will be held, with the presentation of diplomas.

## Prohibition Conference.

The workers, state officers, district committeemen, and evangelists of the Prohibition party closed a two days session May 18, held at Indianapolis. There were present about 200 of the active promoters and friends of the movement. The first day's session was opened with a general report from the state officers. The state chairman said that every district had begun active work with a paid evangelist whose business it is to secure a larger circulation of Prohibition party papers, to hold public meetings, to enroll the names and post office addresses of all Prohibitionists and to organize every county, township and precinct in their respective territories.

The State Treasurer reported no debts and a small balance in the treasury. Among the topics subsequently discussed were, "How the County Chairman can best help the District Evangelist," and "How to induce people to take a Prohibition paper." Other like practical topics occupied the time of the Conference.

On Wednesday evening, 91 people enjoyed the

banquet at which the following toasts were given, "Religious Leadership in Politics," by Dr. Jabez Hall, Irvington. "Good Citizenship," C. T. Cumbach, Indianapolis. "Prohibition Lyre," Charles M. Fillmore, Peru. "Expansion of Beer," L. J. Beauchamp, Ohio. "Woman's Way," Martha L. Gipe, Indianapolis. "The Outlook," J. Bushell, Terre Haute. The banquet closed at the usual wee small hour. A session of the State Committee was held the next evening and the conference adjourned, having planned a larger and more aggressive work than ever before undertaken in this state.

## Books Ordered Out to Make Room for a Canteen.

A few weeks ago Mr Joshua L. Baily, the president of the National Temperance Society, ordered a library of 100 books to be sent to the soldiers' barracks, at St. Augustine, Fla., to be put in the large room that had formerly been used as a canteen, but when Congress passed the law, was closed, and had been fitted up for a library and reading room. Now Mr. Baily has received word from St. Augustine that as Mr. Alger has ordered the canteen to be opened, the books must go out to make room for the bottles!!!

The above article is taken from the *Union Signal* of May 18, last page. I hope every press superintendent will see that it is published in as many papers as possible. In unions where there is no press superintendent, let the President make it her business to see that it is done.

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

## Picture; A Mother and Her Boy.

A fond, a true, a loving mother and her darling boy! It is a picture worthy of an Angelo's brush, nay of an angel's hand. A soul committed to her keeping to train for time and prepare for eternity! Tender, pliant, plastic, the young soul is but clay in her hands, and she, more than any one else in the world, may mould the character and shape the destiny of that soul, whether for success or failure, for weal or woe, both here and hereafter.

And yet the mother has a rival—a dangerous, determined, relentless rival. And that rival is the saloon. It stands on every street corner in our cities, attracting, beckoning, drawing your boys into its hellish precincts, and there with fiendish delight and remorseless conscience undoing all that mother has done for the upbuilding of that boy's character, counteracting her influence, annulling her commands, turning his steps hellward instead of heavenward.

## Important Decision in Indianapolis.

The case of Zimri C. Lewis against Fred Kissel, the keeper of the largest beer-garden in this city. Mr. Lewis, who lives opposite the beer-garden, made his complaint upon the ground of nuisance, which has already been successfully used several times in other cases by Col. Eli F. Ritter, who is Mr. Lewis's lawyer in this case. The defendant applied for a change of venue, taking the case from the Indianapolis courts, and also for a change of judge, finding the one in the court to which it was taken unsatisfactory. The liquor-dealers have taken great interest in the case, and their associations have backed Mr. Kissel with influence and money. Yet the decision as entered to-day annuls the license, gives the complainant damages, and perpetually enjoins the defendant from keeping a beer garden in or about the place he now occupies. *The Standard*, a liquor paper published in this city, said, speaking of the decision, that "If it stands it is a most damaging blow to the saloon interests of the state of Indiana and of the whole nation." An interesting feature of the case is that if it is appealed by the defeated party the higher courts will be called to pass upon the question of the constitutionality of license laws.

## The International Epworth League Convention Meets in Indianapolis July 20 to 23—Prohibition.

As the Epworth Leaguers meet only once in three years and as thirty thousand were at Toronto at the last convention those in charge look for 50,000 visitors. Saturday night, July 22, three rousing temperance rallies will be the order. These themes will be considered: Total Abstinence and the Pledge; Economics of the Drink Traffic; The Saloon in Politics; and Restrictive and Prohibition Legislation.

## ATTENTION!

The W. C. T. U. of Marion County will hold a Re-union Picnic at Bethany Park, June 19. Round trip on train from Indianapolis, 30 cents. Everybody invited, especially Unions in other counties. A good program is being prepared. Children 15 cents.



## THE MESSAGE.

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JUNE, 1899.

### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

#### EVANGELISTIC.

Mrs. Ella J. Davis State Superintendent of Evangelistic department requests that all unions shall carefully consider the following suggestions of Miss Greenwood, National Superintendent;

##### Our Foundation Stones.

Our sure, only reliance is upon the Holy Spirit and the Word of God; The earnest invitation to a personal Christ; the duty of total abstinence; the presentation, as in former days, of the pledge; the convention evangelistic hour from 11 to 12 A. M. The noontide prayer.

##### Rescue Work.

This has been the mission of the Evangelistic department from the beginning. Let us push this special work everywhere. By meetings in halls, school houses, depots, prisons and jails, camp and out-door services, let us seek to "rescue the perishing." To this door of opportunity the pierced hands ever point.

##### Christian Endeavor and Epworth League Societies.

These societies present an open door for temperance work among our youth in the churches. Seek opportunity to present the subject of Gospel Temperance at the regular meetings of these societies, and at their conventions. Our cause, represented with power and tact, cannot but win these young soldiers of the Cross.

##### The Bible and Our Public Schools.

We deeply sympathize with the increasing desire that the Bible should be restored to our public schools, that the children from our homes may study its history, literature and poetry, which surpass all others in sublimity and interest, and be educated by the moral teaching of the Sermon on the Mount, parable of the Good Samaritan, and kindred passages. I therefore recommend that our local unions and evangelistic superintendents seek by letter, mass meeting and personal influence, to arouse public sentiment until this result is secured.

##### Hints and Helps.

Believing that this little book, "Hints and Helps," in the hands of each local superintendent will result in greater spirituality and harmony, I urge all presidents, state and county superintendents and organizers to assist in its distribution. State, county and local superintendents should present it at W. C. T. U. meetings and all conventions, taking orders for the same. The names and P. O. order can then be forwarded and a copy will be sent to each address. The price is ten cents and postage, or twelve cents.

##### Almshouses.

The department of "Work in Almshouses," having been merged into the evangelistic, let our local superintendents plan frequent visits to these institutions—establish libraries, and frequent Sabbath services; co-operate with state board of corrections and charities, and by every means better the condition of the unfortunate and out-cast, by carrying light into their darkness, and Christ's peace to their hearts.

Many of these institutions are in remote country places and no work is done in them unless by the W. C. T. U. Frequent Sunday services, distribution of magazines and other good reading, of flowers, picture cards, wall rolls, carpet rags, and quilt pieces; above all, the personal visit, with its word of cheer and prayer, will carry sunshine to darkened hearts, and merit the Master's "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these, my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me."

##### How to Report.

The results of our work is not known because of the lack of statistical reports. Only a dozen

states, last year, gave figures. From five states alone were reported 27,333 gospel meetings, 10,044 visits in homes, 50,451 services in jails, 2,335 in churches, 906,858 pages of literature distributed. If these figures could be multiplied by over forty states, what an inspiring record of our evangelistic work would be given. But the majority say "many," "hundreds," "much work," "bushels of literature," etc. Let each local superintendent keep careful record, send quarterly to her county superintendent, and she to the state superintendent, and thus we may present to the national convention a report full of inspiration and cheer. The following report blank may assist local superintendents in keeping monthly records:

Number of gospel temperance meetings held. how many in churches; how many in prisons and jails; how many in penitentiaries; how many in almshouses; how many in halls; how many in cottages; how many mother's meetings; how many in school houses; how many on ships or in forts; how many out door services; how many visits made by union; how many conversions; how many Bible readings in union; how many signatures to pledge; how many pages temperance literature distributed.

#### Work Among Foreigners.

If any of the local superintendents have done my work, will they please report to the county superintendents, so I may have the reports. I do urge you, dear county presidents, to give my department a little thought and time. Just think what a vast amount of influence the Foreigners have on the issues of the day. Over 72,000 are casting their votes in Indiana. Please answer the following questions:

How many local superintendents have you?  
How many foreigners are there in your county?  
What appropriation have you for the work?  
Have you had any lectures among them?  
How many churches have you tried to interest?  
How many leaflets sent out?  
How many pages sent or given out?  
How do your foreigners vote on the saloon question?  
Don't you think they would change their vote if they had more knowledge of the evils?  
Was the work presented at your institute?  
How many ministers have you talked with?  
Is the department doing good?  
Please report to me any work done, be it ever so little. Please report by Sept. 25.

ANNA KILMER, State Superintendent.  
129 East Sixth street, Peru.

#### Jail and Prison.

I have received reports from several counties of good work done in county jails. There is a great need of systematic work being done along gospel lines in every county prison in the state. The work of the followers of Christ is to save the lost. There is only one way, and that is for a loving disciple of Jesus to carry the gospel to every creature. The work of the W. C. T. U. is to enter every open door and rescue the lost by personal effort. The "Jail and Prison" department presents an open door to rescue thousands of lost men. I shall expect a report from every superintendent. Will you answer the following questions:

Do you find your county behind in the work?  
What use have you made of the press?  
Have you secured the assistance of pastors and other Christian workers?  
Are your visits kindly received by officials?  
What literature have you used and how much?  
Do you use pledges? How many signatures have you obtained?  
How often do you visit the county jail?  
Do you co-operate with the superintendent of flower mission in observance of flower mission day?  
Do you observe prison Sunday by special sermon and literature?

Have you provided a library?  
Are there separate apartments for women?  
Have you found men, women and children in the same corridors or cells in county jails?  
Have you made the fact public through the press and reported same to State Board of Charities?

Do you write to the men sent to the penitentiaries from your county?

Are you endeavoring to secure a woman in your county to be appointed a special officer to care for women and children while in jail.

ELLEN K. DENNY  
State Supt. Jail and Prison.

#### Non-Alcoholic Medication.

The popular idea that alcohol is useful as medicine, is one of the greatest hindrances to the success of the temperance cause. This hindrance it is now in the power of the W. C. T. U. to remove, if we are only willing to use the means at our disposal. The department of non-alcoholic medication brings before our organization weighty arguments against the medical use of alcohol. These arguments are culled from the writings of some of the most distinguished physicians of the century, and are stated in plain untechnical language such as anyone of ordinary intelligence can readily understand. (See plan of work for full list of helps.)

Physicians who do not use alcohol express amazement at the indifference of the W. C. T. U.,

to the medical aspect of the temperance question. Sisters, shall we cease our indifference, and begin a systematic campaign against alcohol in the medicine chests of America? We can rout our enemy from this hiding-place, if we use the means at hand. We can begin by studying the leaflets and pamphlets of this department, familiarizing ourselves with the arguments against alcohol, especially the table of comparative death-rates showing how many more deaths result under alcoholic treatment than under non-alcoholic. (See, "Is Alcohol Useful, or Necessary as Medicine?") We can bring people to the meetings of our unions where this subject is presented; we can talk to our neighbors of what we have learned; we can distribute department leaflets from house to house; we can furnish matter to the press; we can write brief, kindly letters to physicians, enclosing department leaflets, asking their opinion on them; and we can pray for God's blessing upon the spoken or printed word of truth on this matter.

Free copies of "Plan of Work," of "Doctors and Alcohol," and of "Patent Medicines" will be given to all who will send postage. Those desiring leaflets for distribution can obtain the following from me:

"Is Alcohol Useful or Necessary as Medicine?" 50c per 100 postpaid; "Safe Remedies in Illness," compiled from writings of eminent physicians, 85c per 100 postpaid; "Doctors and Alcohol," a brief report of discussion by New York Medical Society 1898, 10c per 100 postpaid. Unions ordering 100 of each, of first two, will receive 200 of third free. "The Danger and Harmfulness of Patent Medicines," 60c per 100 postpaid; "Railroad Emergencies," 25c per 100. In "Plan of Work" is given a list of topics for discussion and also a list of questions to be answered in making out report.

Now, dear sisters, if the medical use of alcohol does not have an overturning in your state this year, whose fault will it be? If the W. C. T. U. does not do this work, will it ever be done? May God help you to go to work earnestly against this gigantic evil.

Yours most cordially,

MARTHA M. ALLEN, Nat. Sup't.  
809 S. Geddes St., Syracuse, N. Y.

### INSTITUTE WORK.

#### Notes of Institute Work in the Second W. C. T. U. District.

The corresponding secretary of Clinton county reported 199 members.

Many, many feet of news items had been gathered by Mrs. Vance, State Superintendent of press and formed a part of the decorations at the Frankfort institute.

Dr. Tharp of the Christian church, Crawfordsville, addressed his prayer meeting of 400 members and all other temperance people who attended the first night of the convention, on "Temperance."

Newton county institute was held in Kentland, where we spent Sunday, speaking in the Presbyterian and M. E. churches. The contest was very fine, and the choir rendered beautiful music.

Lafayette has a Willard Hall. On the wall is a blank application for liquor license, and a blank license, that those who run may read the connection between the rum business and the government.

In the county convention of Tippecanoe, a superintendent of L. T. L. work was appointed and Mrs. Lulu Bartholomew superintendent of Sunday-school work and Mrs. Ama Vaughn of Sabbath observance.

The rain did not interfere with the good institute we held in Westfield. The members came in closed carriages and buggies long distances, which showed their sincerity in the work and their support of their county president.

A new union organized in Tipton with 12 regular members and 3 honorary members. Mrs. Nettie Huffer, president; Rev. Bills of M. E. church; Rev. Cole, of Christian church and Rev. Huffer, of Presbyterian church all honorary members.

In the Boon county institute we were favored by the presence of chairman Crist, Revs. Cook, Wood and Ledbetter of Frankfort. The evening of the contest a most entertaining flag drill by 75 children was given. They also sang "Saloons must Go."

Mrs. Horner still leads the forces in White county. A good institute at Wolcott. Idaville was represented by seven young women. Mrs. Wilson, president of Wolcott, does not lessen in energy nor zeal for the cause, and her following is very strong.

Warren county failing to make arrangements for the two days' work, Benton county willingly and readily prepared for us, and two extra days work were given to the workers. The public school was visited, many calls made, and two night meetings held.

At LaFayette the institute was not very well attended owing to a bazaar of nations for benefit of Home hospital at which many of our women were assisting. Many good papers and

Every Local Superintendent should report by June 15. Give statistics. Always report in Figures.



talks were given. Dr. Bassett, our loyal friend, delivered a fine lecture the first night. Mrs. C. gave "A Modern Parable" the second night. Mrs. Sarah Curtis was tireless in her efforts to make the institute a success.

Fountain is an unorganized county having but one union at Covington. Members all present. Two young ladies drove five miles to attend the institute and one lady came from Attica. Mrs. Cammack lectured twice on Sunday. She was asked to spend a week in the county in June.

The White Ribboners of Jasper county met us at the train and conducted us to the church where all things were made ready for our coming. A good contest and considerable interest was shown in the work. Jasper is an unorganized county and had not a union in it. We organized a union of 10 regular members and one honorary.

The 17th we went to Boswell, Benton county, where Miss Eliza Baker with her fine staff of officers had all things in readiness. That night we were warmly welcomed by Rev. Kraft for the churches, Prof. C. H. Kellogg for the public schools, by H. C. Harris for the citizens, and by Mrs. Loftus for the W. C. T. U. The program was rendered throughout, nothing omitted. The contest on Tuesday night proved that much time and patience had been given the class by Mrs. Bettie Smith.

Madison county members are up to date. Sold a large number of the annual reports and secured a good number of subscriptions to *The Message* and *Union Signal*. Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru, state superintendent of work among foreigners was present and presented her department most enthusiastically. Elwood supports a large L. T. L., and has an evening class of Seniors. Also has an organization of Y's of over 100. Surely our state Y secretary, Miss Sears' own county speaks well for her work.

In Miami county our first institute was held in the beautiful First Baptist church at Peru. A delightful reception was given the first evening. Many young people attended, who became interested in our work. A Y. was organized a few days later. The boys brigade attended in a body. Mrs. McWhirter and others gave short addresses. Good contest the second night. Day meetings well attended. Sunday afternoon Mrs. Brand spoke to Junior League in M. E. church in the evening to Baptist young people. Everything was well planned and executed.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK.  
HATTIE BRAND.

#### Delaware County.

An institute was held in the First Christian church, Muncie, with fairly good audiences, especially in the evenings. On Wednesday evening a chorus of 50 children's voices sang "Saloons must go;" they came upon the platform headed by a boy keeping time with his drum, and sang perfectly. A contest of recitations followed, Jennie Thorpe receiving the prize. The music of the White Ribbon Trio, composed of Misses Jennie Thorpe, Sylvia Patterson and Lillian Hunt, was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Brand had charge of the work Wednesday, and especially interesting were her talks on mothers' meetings and evangelical work. In the evening she gave a vivid description of the W. C. T. U. convention in London.

Mrs. Cammack had charge of the work Thursday, and I wish I could write all the good things she said and did. Twelve delegates were present from Eaton, and five from Albany.

I think we had a most enjoyable time, and there was more enthusiasm and a better attendance than ever before. So we are encouraged to go on, and when the next institute meets we will be better prepared. We hope to add names to our enrollment until it reaches the 100 mark. Pray for the success of Muncie Union.

D. R. NELSON,  
County Sup't Press Work.

#### Putnam County.

Greencastle Union, though weak in members is not inactive. For a few months we felt compelled to suspend our meetings, as several active members were to spend the winter elsewhere, and others were unable to attend during cold weather. During this time we were not idle. Some literature has been distributed. One dear saint, alone, having at her own expense, distributed near \$20 worth. Another, with the aid of her husband, did about the same. Other work has been done quietly "as unto the Lord" in such ways as seemed possible.

Jail work has been faithfully and successfully carried on throughout the year. Also flower mission, visiting the poor, mothers' meetings, etc., as occasion offered.

The union received new inspirations through the coming of our institute workers, Misses Hadley and Newlin. The first meeting was held May 10, in the Christian church. A small, but very appreciative audience greeted the ladies. Mayor Birch gave the address of welcome. Miss Hadley replied in her earnest, convincing manner setting forth some reasons for uniting with the W. C. T. U. and stating a few of the things the organization is doing. Her remarks were well received, as the increasing audiences at each succeeding meeting attested.

The second session was well attended and

proved interesting and instructive. Mrs. McWhirter addressed those present, in her usual forcible and interesting manner. Miss Newlin presented the subject of "reform legislation," showing what had been accomplished along this line through the efforts of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. W. H. Hickman spoke earnestly in regard to mothers' meetings.

The evening session was opened by Mrs. Flora Walker. Prof. Ditto, Miss Harleman and Rev. W. H. Wise presented different subjects, which were discussed; Miss Hadley having charge.

In all the meetings the exercises were interspersed with solos, duets, etc. by children or students of the university.

Ten members were added to the local Union, a deeper interest awakened among the people generally, and fresh courage infused into the workers.

MRS. A. T. RILEY, Press Supt.

#### Clay County.

The institute was held in Trinity M. E. church, Terre Haute, conducted by Misses Hadley and Newlin. After opening exercises, testimonies in regard to the curfew law from mayors and marshals were read. It was stated that in one city the curfew extended to the mothers.

A number of excellent papers on various topics were read, including a very interesting letter from a man in a Wisconsin woods camp, thanking the W. C. T. U. for the good literature sent by them. "Spare my boy" was sung by small children in a touching way.

Discussing "The church and the saloon," Rev. Berry says much good is resulting from temperance agitation in Terre Haute, which has 230 saloons and 35 churches. He thinks a visit to the saloons on Saturday helps him to preach better on Sunday.

#### Plainfield, Greencastle and Brazil.

Plainfield institute was well attended from first to last. The gross receipts of the contest were \$18. The Fairfield singers were a delight and received much applause. On the last evening there was a Peace Demonstration in which the resolutions in harmony with the Czar's plan, were voted on by all present, the men voting merely as a matter of sentiment. Four subscriptions to the *Signal* were taken, and four for the *Message*. Names were left with Susannah Hadley for further additions.

A pleasant welcome was given at Greencastle. The attendance at the first meeting was small, but increased. Participation in the DePauw University Chapel services served to further advertise the meetings, and at the last meeting there was a good house, including many students from the college. This was one of the best institutes held at any point. There were 10 accessions to membership, including ministers and college students. Mrs. McWhirter attended the afternoon meeting and gave valuable service.

Attendance at Brazil small, at the first meeting, on account of rain. The afternoon meetings were well attended. The evening peace meeting was addressed by Miss Mell Newlin, of Bloomington. The audience was very appreciative. In order to make the next point we had to leave Brazil before the last evening's session.

MARY HADLEY.

Receipts for the *Message* and *Signal* for this week's institute work \$23.85. Besides these each of the leaders left a club, almost completed to be sent in at an early date. Great victory reported in all departments for the entire week. Mrs. Cammack's work for the *Message* and *Signal* amounted to \$18.70.

#### Section One.

Commencing March 31 and ending May 5 12 institutes and 3 blanks (Kosciusko, Starke and Lagrange) Total cash receipts \$124.09. Total expenses \$85.32. Surplus to assist in missionary counties \$38.77. Members added 46; 9 honorary and 9 Y's. Subscriptions taken for the *Message* and sent in by leader 90, for *Union Signal* 21. Miles traveled 725. 480 White Ribbon women, more or less instructed in methods, encouraged and built up, as the voice was unanimous in favor of the plan of holding institutes.

Last year's minutes give the total membership of these counties to be 799, hence this effort reached over half of the membership. The attendance at evening meetings was larger, at some points chairs were brought in and every seat taken. At only two institutes did we have small evening audiences. The local press gave space freely to advertise and report the event. The papers prepared were exceptionally good. There was not over a half dozen failures in the entire section where persons were given a subject and did not respond. Special music was prepared in harmony with the occasion and of fine quality. Eleven contests. One oratorical, one suffrage, one matrons and eight L. T. L. Five contests took a collection, total amount \$22.72. Six had an admission fee, total amount \$54.60. No county failed in its financial obligation. Two Pulaski and Fulton contributed to the missionary fund. Every county used the outline program but one—Steuben. There are many indications of a gratifying aftermath from our institutes. For general arousement we have nothing else to take their place.

MARY E. BALCH.

Bourbon, Marshall county had its meeting in the Presbyterian church. Two of its three unions well represented. Mud and sickness hindered the absent one. Attendance small in the day,

but full houses at night. A twenty dollar house at ten cents each, at contest and the collection, very small less than two dollars. The program works out well and holds the interest to the end.

Rochester, Fulton county held its institute in Grace M. E. church. Its two unions well represented and the subject of organization at their county meeting brought out a strong resolution for a worker in the county soon. The permanent enrollment plan for suffrage was endorsed and it was taken in Marshall and Kosciusko counties and a worker secured. The contest of 4 boys and 4 girls exceedingly interesting. Fred Keeh received the medal. Receipts at contest \$10.30. Local workers were well prepared to take part on the program. Mrs. Denny gave a very able address on the second evening. The women of the unions expressed themselves as well pleased with plan, program and results. Day attendance small, evenings better.

#### Marion County.

This institute was held May 5 and 6, opening with Bible reading by Rev. Rhoda Smith. Miss Hadley followed with a summary of the work she had been conducting through the state with the assistance of Misses Sears and Newlin.

Rev. Dr. Tevis and other ministers of the city gave encouraging talks, emphasizing the importance of enlisting the young people to fill the places of the veterans as they fall by the way; 13 unions were represented, and all agreed that the important work must be among the young people in L. T. L. and Y branches.

How to complete the institute work by May 1st, so the meetings will not conflict with the annual house cleaning is a problem staring us in the face. Do not tear up all at once, and take a rest between times, might become a happy solution of the question; but the tenement dweller and those who have to repair and remodel are worthy of consideration. It is hoped that at our annual gathering next fall valuable suggestions will be offered regarding this important branch of our work. It is without doubt the best plan for reaching the public, and our own as well, and all should feel an individual responsibility in perfecting it. Let us work to this end in the name of our blessed Redeemer.

MARY A. MOODY, Press Reporter.

#### Wells County.

The fifth semi-annual county convention was held at Ossian, May 19 and 20. Mrs. Cammack, assisted by Mrs. Brand, had charge of the institute work, and so well did they work up the enthusiasm that Ossian Union was increased by seven active and two honorary members. Five Ys were also decorated with the badge, and an L. T. L. of 13 members was organized.

On Friday evening a silver medal contest was held, eight lassies and one lad being competitors. Receipts at the door \$13.60. The pastors of the different churches came in and gave good talks; two of them are wearing the white ribbon.

The institute work was a success. Good talks and good papers were furnished on all the topics.

The convention was also a success. Reports, papers, singing, a recitation and a select reading served to fill every moment of the time. About 50 members were present, and a large number of visitors were also in attendance.

All the sessions were so well conducted that good results will doubtless follow. Mrs. Cammack and Mrs. Brand are admirably fitted for the work assigned them.

Thus the good work in Wells county moves on, and as we steadily increase in membership, we feel that if other counties push the work as we do, Indiana will retain the star-spangled banner. We hope to organize one or two unions before the state convention.

Mrs. D. T. SMITH, Press Reporter.

#### Huntington County.

The eighth semi-annual convention of Huntington county W. C. T. U. was held in Huntington, and the attendance was encouraging. A deep interest was manifested during the entire series. Mrs. Cammack and Mrs. Brand won the way into the hearts of all their hearers. The topics assigned were well prepared, and much useful knowledge was to be gathered from the discussions. The L. T. L. contest was a great success, the contestants being evenly matched, and the music of a high order. Pearl Cline, of Huntington, won the medal.

The county convention was one of the best for many years in this county, both as to attendance and interest manifested. Mrs. Cammack gave a most excellent lecture on the second evening, and all enjoyed the discourse very much.

#### Vermillion County.

A very interesting and successful institute was held at the M. E. church, Dana, May 17 and 18, with Misses Hadley and Newlin as leaders. The subjects on the program were taken up and well discussed. We were much encouraged by the hearty co-operation of the ministers. Also the Ys were very enthusiastic. A successful contest was given the evening of the 17th, with a class of five. The silver medal was awarded to Nellie Kendall, with Otis Burnett a close second. A drill by 76 children was much appreciated.

Mrs. LUTE ANDREWS, Secretary.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## W. C. T. U. DAYS AT THE INDIANA ASSEMBLIES.

Bethany Park, July 24.

Acton Park, August 1, 2 and 3.

Battle Ground, August 11.

Island Park (Rome City), August 14 and 15.

Zionsville, August 9.

Indiana W. C. T. U. Convention, Marion, October 6 to 10.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Seattle, Wash., October 20 to 27.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon will be the guests of the Indiana W. C. T. U. convention at Marion.

The State Loyal Temperance Legion convention will be held in connection with our State W. C. T. U. convention at Marion. Miss Anna Gordon, Secretary of the World's Loyal Temperance Legion, will be present.

At the county institutes hundreds of new members were secured. It will be a great mistake for the officers of the Union to fail to secure their interest and co-operation immediately. Let me urge you to do this faithfully. Collect their dues without delay, and strive to impress them with our great need of their efforts For God and Home and Humanity.

The first woman's convention ever held in Bermuda was that of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Hamilton. Delegates and visitors were present from six unions all of which have been organized during the last six months by Mrs. Addie Northam Fields, an organizer of the worlds W. C. T. U. Mrs. Field held 154 meetings during their stay there and will leave them well prepared to carry on aggressive work.

The *Union Signal* of May 25 says: "For every missionary landed in Africa there are landed 70,000 casks of rum, 10,000 casks of gin and 15 tons of gunpowder. This is how the dark continent is being civilized and 'Christianized!' This statement is directly in keeping with that made in this issue by Mrs. Long, viz., that the cargo of the vessel which carried some of the first missionaries to Africa consisted of gunpowder and whiskey.

The conferences of the national W. C. T. U. at Chautauqua N. Y. are in charge of the National Corresponding Secretary Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry and will be held from August 2 to 7 inclusive. August 4th is temperance day. Mrs. J. K. Barney of Providence R. I. one of the W. C. T. U. Round the World Missionaries is the speaker of that day her subject being "Round the World with the White-Ribbon." The topics to be discussed in the conferences are "The hygienic basis of total abstinence the ethical basis of prohibition. "What next in temperance reform?" This touches the legal outlook and Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis will lead the subject. "Mother and daughter," which topic will be taken by Mrs. Fry with illustrations from her new book now in press "A Paradise Valley Girl."

A bill drawn by Miss Emma Strawn, an attorney at law at Lacon, Ill., and which was endorsed by the Federation of Women's Clubs of that district, provides as follows:

"That it shall be unlawful for any publisher, tradesman, manufacturer, public entertainer, manager of theatre, variety show or circus, to use any drawing, lithograph, engraving, daguerreotype, photograph or likeness of the face, form or figure of woman as an advertising medium, in either a suggestive, immoral or immodest manner. That upon all manufacturers of or dealers in liquor, beers, malt and tobacco, in whatever shape produced, these restrictions shall be absolute, they being debarred the use of any likeness of the face, form or figure of woman for advertising purposes in any manner or method whatever.

It is a mighty step in advance when a great railroad corporation feels the need of an order like the following: San Francisco, Cal., June 1.—One of the most sweeping orders ever issued by a railroad company in this country concerning the behavior and well being of its employees became effective today along the entire Southern Pacific system. It forbids the sale of liquor at restaurants connected with the depots where such restaurants are rented from the railroad companies. As nearly every restaurant along the road is rented from the railroad company the order has a very wide scope. The main pur-

pose of the innovation is to prevent the trainmen from drinking while on duty. At the same time the order will cut off a large portion of the revenue of the railroad company, for at the many stations along the road rents for restaurants have largely increased after the proprietors have obtained licenses to sell liquors.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

To be Read in Every Union.

Last year Indiana made an increase of 1,150 members (not including honoraries) the greatest increase in membership of any State in the Nation, and thus won the beautiful White Ribbon star-spangled banner offered by Miss Willard. In order to keep this banner next year, we must again make the greatest increase of any State in the Nation. We are now several hundred members ahead of where we were this time last year; but unless there is a persistent effort made by the unions, we will not make sufficient increase to again claim the banner. Several other States are working hard for the banner. In reading their State papers, I notice that they are telling about our victories, and urging their members to greater effort. Mrs. K. L. Stevenson, president of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Ella Brown, president of Kansas, both say that they expect to take the banner away from Indiana at Seattle. Will we let them do it? No! No!! No!!! Five thousand times No! It can not be done if you, each one, secure one new member.

For EVERY TEN new members secured by a Union after July 15 whose dues are received by our State Treasurer at the close of this quarter, a FREE LECTURE or address will be given by a State Organizer en route soon after the State convention. This offer is for EVERY TEN new members whose dues are paid. Will you help? Will you go out now and invite some neighbor or friend in your church to join your union?

Upon the efforts of the earnest White Ribboners will depend our success. We can only keep the banner by increasing our membership. May God help every mother and sister to realize that wherever the W. C. T. U. is strong and active it is easier to keep a right influence over the boys and girls of their own homes. Loyally,

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

## CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION.

MEMBERS OF THE WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION OF INDIANA:—

You are hereby notified that our twenty-sixth annual convention will be held at Marion, Grant county, October 6 to 10. The convention will be held in the M. E. church.

The annual meeting is composed of the general officers of the State Union, superintendents of departments, chairmen of standing committees, State organizers, president and one delegate at large of each auxiliary Union, and one additional delegate for every twenty paid members thereof. Ex-officio members of the convention must vote in person.

The members of the Executive Committee are requested to be in Marion October 5, in time for afternoon meeting commencing at 1 o'clock. It is imperative that every member be present at this first meeting of our executive board. Each county president will be expected to respond to her name by giving the number of W.s, Y.s and L. T. L.s organized during the year, and the increase in membership in each of the unions.

Come with thanksgiving for what God has helped us to accomplish during the year, and a prayer that this convention may indeed be the best that we have ever held in Indiana.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
President W. C. T. U. of Indiana.

## AN EVENTFUL TRIP TO SEATTLE.

After a nine weeks of 500 miles travel in the far-western states Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens President and Miss Anna A. Gordon Vice-President of the National W. C. T. U. have returned to Chicago.

Conferences and public meetings were held by them in thirteen states each speaking 110 times.

Many Loyal Temperance Legions were organized and new members were added to the local unions at every point visited.

The original itinerary was followed to the letter and many new ones added.

Much interest was aroused in the next National Convention to be held in Seattle, Wash. Oct. 20-25 by this trip. The officers will remain in Chicago a time for officers meetings, planning the convention program, the summer Institution work and other important matters. Mrs. Stevens goes then to her home in Portland, Maine and Miss. Gordon to Prohibition Park to attend the Senior L. T. L. Convention of New York state.

In August they attend a tree planting under

the auspices of the state union at Danville Vermont the birthplace of Miss Willard's father. Mrs. Stevens has engagements to speak at Old Orchard, Ocean Park and Greenacre, she has accepted invitations to deliver addresses at Iowa and Ohio State W. C. T. U. convention later.

## ACTON PARK ASSEMBLY.

The Acton Park Assembly has given the State W. C. T. U. three days on their program; the dates are August 1, 2 and 3. August 1 is to be known as Children's Day. We are anxious that this should be a red-letter day, and trust that Unions within 40 or 50 miles of Acton will make a special effort to have a good number of children present. If you have an L T L, we expect them; if you have none, we hope you will gather the boys and girls from the Sunday schools and bring them; it may be the means of starting an L T L in your community.

We will have a grand march around the grounds; our State President will head the procession with the White Ribbon star-spangled banner won at the National convention. Every county and local president who can possibly be there is urged to bring W C T U or L T L banners; every child that can come to Acton August 1 is requested to bring a flag 2½ feet long by 1½ wide, and which can be bought at \$1 for 50.

Admission to the grounds will be free to children. The Big Four railroad will carry two children up to 15 years of age for one fare. Persons not living on the Big Four road, but are in driving distance are requested to fix up big wagons, like we once did for our Fourth of July celebrations, and come. All are requested to bring dinners, and we will spend one glorious day in the woods with the boys and girls. They are the hope of not only our State but Nation.

## PROGRAM.

Indiana W. C. T. U. Assembly. to be Held at Acton Park August 1, 2 and 3.

AUGUST 1.

10:00 a m—Devotional.  
10:15—Crusade Hour (Crusaders specially invited.) Rachel weeping for her children," Mrs. Mary E. Balch, State Cor Sec W C T U.  
Presentation of banner awarded to Indiana by Miss Willard for greatest gain in membership of any State in the Nation—Mrs. Luella McWhirter, State President W C T U.  
2:30 p m—Grand march, with banners and flags, singing "Saloons ust ngo."  
Twenty-third Psalm, by the children.  
Prayer.  
Song—"Some Glad Day." (Page 72, marching song No 3.  
Recitation.  
Parliamentary Drill, by Legion.  
Song—"We're for Home and Mother;" marching songs No 8.  
Chemical Experiments—Address, "Alcohol and the Body," James C. Gipe, State President L T L.  
Duet.  
Repetition of Pledge by the children.  
State and National Rallying Cry.  
Temperance Doxology.  
National Motto—Tremble, King Alcohol, we shall grow State Motto—The Children are A-field.

STATE RALLYING CRY.

Rah! Rah! Rah! We clover blossoms are a-field.  
Why? Saloons must die!  
Hear their knell—Indiana L T L.  
Loyal Legion in charge of Mrs. M. L. Gipe. All children are specially invited.

7:30 p m—Devotional, led by Mrs. Laura Thompson, of Greensburg.  
Address—Rev J. Cumming Smith, of Indianapolis.

AUGUST 2.

10 a m—Devotions.  
10:15—Work Among the Colored People. In charge of Mrs. Mary E. Sims, State Sup't.  
10:45—Temperance in the Public Schools. Mrs. Pleasant Bond, State Sup't S T L.  
Mothers' Meeting—Mrs. M. L. Gipe.

AFTERNOON—W C T U.

2:30—Devotional.  
Current Events—Miss Maude Keltner, Anderson.  
Solo.  
Address—How to Open Pocket-books, Mrs. S. M. Shelt, of Livonia.  
Solo—Miss Keltner.  
How Can we Reach the Young People?—Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, State Y W C T U Secretary.

EVENING.

7:30—Devotions, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong.  
9—Address, Rev Aaron Worth,  
AUGUST 3.  
10—Devotions, Mrs. M. A. Colton, Franklin.  
10:15—Hadley Industrial School, Mrs. Ella B. Wright, of Greensburg.  
10:30—Indiana W C T U Normal Institute, Mrs. Amanda Whitson, State Treasurer.  
11:00—Man vs Saloon, Prof. Vayhinger, Moores Hill.

AFTERNOON.

2:30—Devotions.  
Address, Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, Superintendent Jail and Prison.  
8:15—"Saloons Must Go," Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, State President W C T U.

EVENING.

7:30—Devotions.  
Address, "Kadesh Barnea, or The Gateway to Liberty," Rev. M. W. Harkins, Anderson.

At W C T U Headquarters, 405 Railroad ave, cots and floor space furnished for White Ribboners only. Each person is expected to bring a pillow, bed covers, toilet articles, lunches, etc. Those desiring to make tea and coffee can have the privilege of the use of gasoline stove by paying for fuel used.

W C T U Headquarters, No 405 Railroad avenue.  
Everybody who desires a Picnic Dinner bring lunch.  
Bring White Ribbon Hymnals.  
Bring Local Union Banners.



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### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

#### State Superintendents' Conference.

The first State conference of the Board of Superintendents was held in the Methodist church, Goodland, June 20 and 21, the president of the Board, Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, presiding. Mrs. McWhirter, State President, was present, and after devotional services led by Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack, she and other State officers present were invited to seats on the platform.

Committees were appointed, Courtesies, Mrs. Hardy and Peck, of Goodland; Finance, Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru; Press, Mrs. Moody, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Mugg, of Goodland; Time-keeper, Miss Clara Agnes Boyd. Fifteen superintendents were present.

The day was spent hearing from these superintendents on their special department work. In the evening we met at the church, and the public was introduced to our State President, Mrs. McWhirter, who delightfully entertained them with stirring, earnest words, speaking especially of the work and scope of the W. C. T. U., after which she introduced the superintendents, one by one, explaining their duties and commending each for her loyalty to her special department.

On Wednesday we were again called to order by Mrs. Denny, President of the State Board of Superintendents, and after devotional exercises, the conference continued with the department work. Reports and discussions followed in quick succession through the day.

Mrs. McWhirter was obliged to leave before the close of the session, and her parting words of admonition and encouragement were such that must have touched and inspired all loyal hearts present.

A committee on program for the unions of the state on "lines of study" was appointed consisting of the general officers, branch Secretaries, Miss Moser, Mrs. Shelt and Mrs. Geary.

The different departments were ably represented and discussed in so far as those on program were present. We would especially notice the department of Sabbath Observance as presented by our sister, Mrs. Katie Wert-Holler. Her charts, one of the light-house, silently, but eloquently spoke to us, and in her words of explanation seemed so encouraging she said, "with the word of God as a resting stone for the foundation, we build the tower of Sabbath Observance. Each section of stone represents a line of work, and the light in the dome is typical of the truth we wish to have spread over land and sea."

The nation that obeys God's laws shall prosper, and so long as these principles remain the American flag may wave as the emblem of Liberty and Justice. Space will not permit me to tell fully of this department, but suffice it to say that when Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru, requested that all those present who could sign the "Sabbath Observance" pledge as it was read in their hearing should say so, there was almost a unanimous vote in favor of it. Mrs. Holler explained one other chart, that of a drawing made by a convict on the walls of his cell the p. m. before he was executed. It told us the silent lesson of despair which must have filled his soul. The first step was some form of Sabbath desecration.

The afternoon session closed with the reading of the resolutions.

"We your committee on resolutions for the Superintendents of the State of Indiana here assembled do offer the following:

1st. Resolved we stand for peace and against war, against the seating of Mormon Roberts in the National House of Representatives, against the interpretation by Attorney General Griggs of the Anti Canteen Law and for the continuance of the peaceful war we wage against the liquor traffic and every form of intemperance.

2nd. Resolved that each county Superintendent should be urged to visit each local union in her county each quarter.

3rd. Resolved that we stand for the enfranchisement of women and renew our efforts to secure the passage of a law to that effect in Indiana and push each department of our state work more vigorously.

4th. Resolved that we extend to Mrs. Hardy and the Goodland union and all White Ribbon workers grateful thanks for the invitation to Goodland, and to the ladies who have so delightfully entertained us, for the use of the church and to the singers who so kindly entertained us, and to all who contributed to our conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. M. A. TOMPKINS, Chairman.  
Mrs. C. A. MARSHALL.  
Mrs. S. M. SHELTON.  
Mrs. S. MUGG.  
Mrs. ANNA KILMER.

The evening contest could only be seen and heard to be enjoyed. The contestants were: Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Miss Clara Boyd, Mrs. Anna Killmer, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Mrs. Mattie Cammack. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Shelt of Livonia. Mrs. Balch, the superintendent of contest work, also gave a recitation which was appreciated by the audience. Conference adjourned to meet one year hence, place to be decided at the State Convention. Yours,  
Mrs. S. Mugg, Sec'y.

#### A Plea from the State Y. Secretary.

Dear MESSAGE and Y. W. C. T. U. girls. We have entered upon the last quarter of the year which closes Sept. 15th 99. Will we keep the National Y. banner in our State another year, dear girls? The increase over last year, to this date, is very encouraging, but will we stop now, or double our paid membership in the local unions and make our gain of 700 new Y's for Indiana. Then like Japan we can be proud of 1,000 Y's.

Treasurers prepare a membership box and take to each meeting. Ask those who have a friend that they wish to deposit their name and dues to do so during the evening by dividing the union like you do for a membership contest, calling the divisions No. 1 and No. 2. The benefit of the membership box is the name of the member the money, and the number of the division who secured it is wrapped around the money. The box is opened at the last meeting in August and a special program is prepared for the first meeting in September appointment of delegates for State convention, election of officers, etc. You have done noble work, but, put your might strength and whole heart into the last long struggle for the gain of 700. Praying for and loving you always, I am yours for Temperance work.

CLARA M. SEARS.

State Y. Secretary.

#### Six Papers of Note.

Paper No. 1, to be written by county and local presidents. Subject, "The Claims of our Temperance Hospital."

Paper No. 2, to be written by county and local corresponding and recording secretaries. Subject, "The Advantage to Unions in observing our Red Letter Days."

Paper No. 3, to be written by county and local treasurers. Subject, "Practical Suggestions for Replenishing our Treasuries."

Paper No. 4, to be written by county and local superintendents. Subject, "Historical Account of Department Achievements."

Paper No. 5, to be written by county and local L. T. L. Secretaries. Subject, "Are we getting the Children; if not, why not?"

Paper No. 6, to be written by county and local Y. Secretaries. Subject, "Practical Suggestions for persuading young women to join a Y."

These papers are to be only ten minutes long. They are to be sent in to the chairman of a committee of three, who will judge which is the best, and the best will have a place on the program of the State Convention. Papers received after noon of August 15, 1899, will be too late. Writers wishing their manuscript to be returned must enclose the postage.

#### LIST OF CHAIRMEN.

Papers No. 1. Mrs. Kate S. Craig, Covington, Indiana.

Papers No. 2. Mrs. R. T. Travis, Elkhart, Ind.

Papers No. 3. Mrs. A. M. Warner, Crown Point, Indiana.

Papers No. 4. Mrs. Zona Hackleman, Rockport, Indiana.

Papers No. 5. Mrs. Mary Alexander, Bedford, Indiana.

Papers No. 6. Mrs. Josie Atwood, Albion, Ind.

This article cannot be published again. Take care of the paper if you wish to compete. In the judgment the committee will consider the subject matter.

#### Narcotics.

The counties having superintendents of Narcotics have sent excellent reports this quarter, much better than those of any previous quarter.

Will the counties having no superintendent please urge the appointment of one at once, even if they must do as one county (a very efficient one, too,) have a superintendent who, as she expresses it herself, is "Jenny of all trades."

If in need of literature send to me or to the Temple for samples.

MRS. PAULINE PITTINGER, Supt.  
Anderson.

#### Island Park.

Island Park on Sylvan Lake, located at Rome City, Indiana, is a delightful spot for an outing, brief vacation, recreation, health improvement, Summer School advantages, etc. The choice of the most beautiful, pleasing, restful scenery; a body of water unexcelled for purity and charm in situation; islands, shores, forests, —all, natures artistically planned handwork; climatic conditions tempered by the cool invigorating lake breeze, free from chill in morn and evening, and invigorating temperature for the hours of recreation, study and entertainment; opportunities to quench thirst from almost perennial springs, pure fountains, and mineral flowing aqueducts; bathing unexcelled, clean, pebbly beaches; the most modern "swimming holes"—on the 20th Century plan—where pleasure, safety and convenience are always on duty. Finding a place where rowing, sailing and pleasure excursions by yacht or steamer have a charm unexcelled, without sea-sickness or danger from boisterous waves. Locating the most delightful fishing grounds to be found in the North West. Choosing a summer home of cottages, hotels and sanitariums where the best people of the land find it a pleasure to resort.

Being located on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railway, only 36 miles north of the prominent railway center, Fort Wayne, it is central and easy of access, and is the one spot on earth where the "Hoosier," the "Buckeye" and the "Michigander" can meet and feel perfectly at home in all their Tri-state gatherings.

Sylvan Lake is a charming body of water, about five miles in length and from one to three-fourth miles in width. The shores are pleasingly irregular; sometimes they almost clasp hands and are spanned by well constructed bridges, under which the steamers ply their way—from the several landings at the islands dotted here and there in the detour of their hourly trips up and down the lake.

In the widest part of the lake is the Island Park, a lovely tract of ground about fifteen acres in extent. Here the artistic landscape gardener has shown his best taste in retaining nature's rare charm.

Perhaps at no time in the past has there been a broader or better outlook for the Indiana W. C. T. U. than during this year. The Summer Assemblies are inviting us and offering us more time on their programs than ever before. Island Park Assembly management has invited us to help make Tri-state W. C. T. U. Days there, by inviting Michigan Ohio and Indiana White Ribboners to arrange the program. This means much to all concerned. We need to come in contact with our sisters from other states. All White Ribboners and friends of temperance are urged to attend these Tri-state W. C. T. U. meetings. The attendance on these two days this year will determine what favors will be

granted to us another year. Let us do our best to make the program and the attendance such a success that we will be invited again next year. The G. R. and I. railroad makes low round trip rates. Reduced rates on all the railroads. Hotel rates \$1.00 per day or \$5.00 per week.

Our association together and a discussion of plans and purposes will be most helpful to all who will avail themselves of such opportunity.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, our State Corresponding Secretary will be at Island Park in charge of W. C. T. U. headquarters during the time of the Assembly.

August 14 and 15 are Temperance days with the following program;

MONDAY, AUGUST 14.

OPENING TEMPERANCE DAY.

11 a. m.—Prof. Jeffries, "Old Man in Model Church," "Macbeth to the Dagger," and other selections.

2 p. m.—W. C. T. U. session. Music by Assembly Chorus.

2:30—Lecture, Hon. A. S. Zook, Goshen, Ind. "Shun the Corduroy Road to Inebriety."

8 p. m.—Diamond contest, in charge of the State sup't W. C. T. U., Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis. Class of six young people who have taken silver, small and grand gold medals in former contests.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15.

SECOND TEMPERANCE DAY.

10 a. m.—Department work of W. C. T. U., in charge of specialist, Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, State President Indiana Union, Indianapolis.

11 a. m.—Address by Mrs. Viola D. Romans, assistant secretary of Ohio Union.

1 p. m.—Temperance Glee Club's half hour.

2—Rev. Mattie O. Cammack, organizer and lecturer for Indiana, Marion.

3—Rev. Aaron Worth, Indiana State Prohibition evangelist.

7:30—Temperance Love Feast, with music.

8—Address by Mrs. Viola D. Romans, Quaker City, Ohio.

8:30—Address by Prof. F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis; subject, "Relation of Temperance to Labor Problem."

#### W. C. T. U., New Harmony, Ind.

President, Mrs. Rev. Markman.

Vice President, Mrs. H. A. Heanen.

Secretary, May Woodry.

Corresponding Secretary, Bessie Boren.

Treasurer, Anna Wilson.

Superintendents—L. T. L., Louise Husband;

Literature, Bina Alsop; Gospel Temperance

Meetings, Mrs. Vandergrift; Assistant, Elsie

Felch; Mothers' meetings, Mrs. Ducloe; Medal

contest work, Grace Tretheway; Press superin-

tendent, Mrs. Vandergrift.

NEW HARMONY Y. W. C. T. U.

President, Anna Wilson.

Vice President, Louise Husband.

Corresponding Secretary, Elsie Felch.

Recording Secretaries, Grace Tretheway and Bessie Boren.

Treasurer, Louise Huring.

#### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION BRANCH.

General Secretary—Mrs. HELEN G. RICE, Boston, Mass.

Secretary for Indiana—Mrs. A. R. Gordon, Argos.

This Department aims, by a regular course of study, scientific, ethical and governmental, to make our boys and girls intelligent total abstainers; to develop by thorough organization, business methods and practical helpfulness an army of disciplined temperance workers and enthusiastic temperance givers; to identify its members, through their payment of dues and consequent representation in National and State conventions, and through their drill in department work with W. C. T. U., present and future.

#### Organize! Organize! Organize Legions!

Every town should have one, and where the population will warrant, there should be three, four, or as many as possible. Organize the girls and boys. Fort Wayne has five Legions and is going to organize another. They will all unite in a picnic July 21st.

We are nearing the close of another year when reports must be made, dues paid, and conventions attended. Why cannot Indiana have a delegate to the National this year without "doubling up" with some other state? I am sure the reports this year will show an enrollment of nearly 2,000 members. We ought to receive dues enough from these to entitle us to a representative. Let us do it. Do not forget that your graduating exercises are to be a local affair and that the receipts from this entertainment is to pay your L. T. L. delegate's expense to the State L. T. L. convention which will be held in connection with the State W. C. T. U. convention at Marion, Oct. 6-10. Each union ought to plan to send as one delegate the L. T. L. leader, for this will be her convention. You will receive report blanks and a letter from me in July.

Elwood has two Legions, and I think Mrs. Donaldson, county superintendent, is going to try for the county banner.

Fort Wayne has 300 members enrolled in the five Legions and a new one to be organized. Mrs. Ridenour, county and city superintendent, is full of energy. God will bless her efforts. Sisters, Indiana will be at the head in the next decade if we miss not this opportunity.

"Christ for the world we sing,  
The world to Christ we bring."

We must do it! The easiest way is to save the young people. "But watch thou in all things endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."—Timothy 4-5.

AMANDA R. GORDON.  
State Branch Sec.

The railroad rates to Seattle to the National W. C. T. U. convention have been announced at \$61 for the round trip from Chicago, tickets good from Oct. 18 until Nov. 19. Please consider this and let every one who can take advantage of this opportunity to attend the National convention and visit the great Northwest and the Pacific coast arrange to go.

Every union ought to elect a Loyal Temperance Legion superintendent. Send for L. T. L. teachers literature and urge her to immediately organize the boys and girls.



## INSTITUTES.

## Rejoicing Over the Sheaves.

The series closed June 17, 1899. Never before have victories so great come to Indiana W. C. T. U. through her institutes, from the standpoint of general interest and participation in the work. Accessions to membership, subscriptions to our papers, literature distributed, per cent of members reached, and others interested.

Visions of the wonderful possibilities of this work have been coming to us in such a way that we have been encouraged to work out a plan in detail which, by June 17 had materialized beyond expectation.

Six workers holding institutes on the same dates in different sections, the State being thus divided for that purpose, with a view to economy and convenience in travel. The workers have gone out by twos, according to the apostolic plan, and that our institute plan might be carried out in full.

All organized counties but two accepted their schedule dates. Seventy-seven institutes were held, 85 counties entered, an organization, either county or localeffected. The other counties may yet hold sessions before their fall convention. As space will not allow a full account of the work, below is a summary of results:

SECTION AND LEADERS.	W's Added.	Y's Added.	Regular Members Added.	Honoraries Added.	Total Members Added.	Subscriptions to Message.	Subscriptions to Signal.	Unions organized.
Sec 1 and east side of Sec 4, 31 counties, M. E. Balch, Leader.	137	10	147	33	180	145	40	4
Sec. 2, 25 counties, M. O. Cammack, Leader.	70	27	97	21	118	156	40	8
Sec. 3 and west side of Sec. 4, 29 counties, M. Hadley, Leader.	167	60	227	80	307	174	21	14
Total.	374	97	471	134	605	470	101	26

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Sec. 1 and east side of Sec. 4, Mrs M E Balch, leader, Mrs E K Denny and Mrs Allie Anderson, assistants. Expense of travel and incidentals for two workers for 10½ weeks.	\$114 07
Sec. 2, Mrs M O Cammack, leader, Mrs Brand, assistant, expense of travel and incidentals for two workers 8½ weeks.	62 78
Sec. 3 and west side of Sec. 4, Mary Hadley leader, Misses Sears and Newlin assistants, expense of travel and incidentals for 11 weeks.	68 08
Total.	\$245 13
Mrs M E Balch, services 10½ weeks.	\$0 00
Mrs Denny and Mrs Anderson (together) 10½ weeks.	72 00
Mrs Cammack and Mrs Brand, services, each 8½ weeks.	208 50
Miss Hadley, services 11 weeks, Misses Sears and Newlin, together 11 weeks.	173 11
Total services for all workers.	453 60
Total expenses and services.	\$698 73

## RECEIPTS.

Cash from Mrs Balch's division.	\$212 28
" " Mrs Cammack's division.	238 96
" " Miss Hadley's division.	241 18
Total receipts.	692 42
Deficit for institute work (not including organization).	\$6 31

This small deficit, together with \$29 86 for printing and ending out programs and letters of instruction, literature etc., has been met by Sunday collections and by the State appropriation of \$5 for the department.

The scope of the work has covered almost the entire State. Twenty-six organizations have been effected, including county and local Unions, L. T. L. and Y branches. The L. T. L. members are not counted in the summary.

This unprecedented work in organization in the institute field covers an average of about five weeks work by the six workers continuously in the field. Some of us in our large southern missionary field have not come to any point where we did not hold an institute or organize a Union.

This great work in organization which together with the accessions and institutes has brought over 600 members to our ranks has not been covered by the institute receipts, but at a valuation of about \$100 for service, it will if properly cared for, in a short time bring many hundreds of dollars to the different treasurers in addition to the increase of vitality and working force of the membership of the state.

The arduous and gratuitous work of our Corresponding Secretary cannot be too much appreciated. But we are sure Mrs. Balch would have felt happier if all the other workers who wrought so faithfully and well through storm and heat as well as in pleasant weather could have been compensated in full for service. This it seems could have been done if the dear women could have thought best to carry out the contest rules and ask the small admission at the door instead of taking a collection.

Results show that about 60 per cent more has been realized from door fees than from collections. This failure causes a small deficit for medals and a 40 per cent deficit to three of the workers. This shortage comes to the section in which the girls worked, bringing in so many Y's and helping to secure a total of 300 members (not counting the L. T. L's.) But "We learn wisdom with years" even in finance which has developed much better for this year than formerly although many more missionary counties have been reached and organized.

The outline program prepared for the state has been used in all of the counties but one. The workers in all sections report much interest taken in the discussion of Indiana's plan of work and the general topics have been ably discussed and views advanced much to our liking and way of thinking by ministers and other educators. From one county, or town rather, has there been a report of church doors closed against the Institute. Many ministers especially the younger, stronger class are thoroughly in sympathy with our work and recognize it as part of their own. They have readily given their names as honorary members and emphasized their interest by many brave, true words. Many teachers and a few editors and school superintendents whom we have been able to see have also become members. A few notable converts from the foregoing classes

have publically announced their conversion to the no license doctrine through light that has come to them through our evening meetings. Also a few public declarations of conversion to the equal suffrage and peace and arbitration ideas. In many towns where we have held institutes or organized, the ministers en masse have become members, some of them saying that they would have been glad to have done this sooner if they had been invited. Let us see to it dear coworkers that none of us plead this excuse in the future and that our honoraries, especially the ministers, are furnished with the *Signal* and *Message* and duly considered in all of our work. That the cause calls for very much more service from them is evident. As we review the field another year we find there is marked growth. This can only continue as the field is tended. This cultivation we believe will go on; and so we paraphrase our thought:

Though not at once we reach the goal,  
We'll struggle on;  
Though not at once we win the race,  
We'll strive to win.  
What we do will not be lost,  
Every effort 's worth its cost;  
It gives warmth to thaw the frost,  
So we'll struggle on.

MARY HADLEY, Sup't.

## Farmland.

Mrs. S. J. Jackson of Cedar union writes.

We feel that it is very little we are doing, but we know that we are working in a good cause so we are determined to press on, God being our helper. We know the temperance work is God's work. We had a very interesting convention June 16, 17. In the morning we had a contest for the Silver Medal. This work was conducted by Mr. John R. Lamb, who is a whole souled temperance worker. After the contest we were entertained with short speeches by Thos. Wright and others. At noon we enjoyed a basket dinner.

The afternoon program was in charge of the W. C. T. U., which consisted of recitations, select readings and an address by Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis. The next morning, after a gold medal contest, Mr. Masters, of Muncie, made an address. In the afternoon Mr. Ratliff, of Marion, spoke ably on Prohibition from a Bible standpoint.

## Allen County.

An institute was held in the Fort Wayne city council chamber, conducted by Mrs. Cammack, Mrs. Brand, and our State president, Mrs. L. F. McWhirter. Attendance was not large during the day sessions, but much interest was manifested. Some of the superintendents' reports showed a great deal of work being done. Several ministers and physicians took part in the lively and instructive discussions on the subject, "Christian Living," and "The responsibility of men and women for the existence of the saloon." The evening of the first day an L. T. L. contest was held under the direction of Mrs. J. K. Carpenter, which was participated in by five girls. The institute closed with an eloquent address by Mrs. McWhirter; subject, "Work for young women, and scientific temperance instruction in the public schools." May success crown all the efforts put forth in these helpful gatherings.

## COUNTY PRESS SUPERINTENDENT.

## Washington County

W. C. T. U. Normal institute convened in the Wier memorial church, Salem, Ind., May 31, and June 1. Mrs. M. E. Balch in charge and Mrs. Fanny B. Ellis of Hardinsburg, Secretary. The discussions of subjects in the program were animated and participated in by many ladies and to their views were added those of Marshal Medlock, Rev. Wood, Sutherland, Telle, Mathes and Mahan. Both sessions were interesting and well attended. Lunch was served Wednesday by ladies of the Presbyterian and Christian churches, Thursday by the Baptist and Methodist ladies.

The medal contest attracted a large crowd to the church. Music was furnished by the Salem quartette. A union was organized, having received the names of 13 ladies and 8 honoraries. Too much cannot be said in praise of the ladies of the different churches, and the untiring efforts of our beloved president, Mrs. Mary Overman who planned and worked for the institute. Every detail was carefully looked after and nothing left undone that should have been done in the way of providing comfortable and most hospitable entertainment for the many present. And it is with grateful hearts to Him, whose hand has guided, whose spirit has quickened, and whose power over the hearts of men has led the W. C. T. U. of Washington county to move forward to higher grounds the past year.

FANNY B. ELLIS,  
Sup't, Press Work.

## Edwardsport.

Our W. C. T. U. institute and convention was conducted June 5th and 6th by Miss Hadley and Miss Newlin, assisted by our Ex-County President and National Evangelist Mrs. Ellen Denney. It was well attended and all felt that we had gained much that would be profitable to us in our work. There being no contest prepared we were highly entertained by a lecture by Miss Newlin, recitation by Miss Huldah Reeve and singing by choir. Our union awoke with renewal of its covenant and by persistent effort of those dear consecrated women seven new members were added to our band, also three honorary

members. Our union adopted the new plan of paying one dollar per member and sending 25c of that for subscription to *Message*.

An L. T. L. was reorganized with Huldah Reeve as superintendent. The army canteen law was read and a motion to send a petition to President McKinley to have the canteen law enforced until the decision of the Supreme Court is given. After the convention work we had memorial services for our co-worker and member of Freelandville union, Mrs. Lena Chambers. After a lecture at 6:30 P. M. by Mrs. Denny and recitation by Miss Newlin, the audience accompanied the sisters to the train. FLORA SLINKARD,  
Cor. Sec.

## Petersburg.

On the morning of the 16th of June we had a very pleasant drive from Jasper to Petersburg. It was 22 miles and over muddy roads a part of the way, but it was cool enough for winter wraps, so we did not get tired, hot nor dusty. We were delighted with the abundance of wild roses and daisies along the way and were obliged to gather some of them. The attendance at Petersburg was quite small, but notwithstanding this we had a very pleasant institute. I have written this little statement in case there should be no report.

## Shoals.

The Shoals institute was attended by quite a number of girls who came from Loogootee, also several W's. You know they have a nice Y. at Loogootee, and the girls helped a great deal with the music and also took part in the program. Thursday night was Y. evening, Miss Georgia Mosier presided. Three girls and three young men joined the Y's. The Loogootee union has provided journals on Scientific temperance for every public school teacher in Martin Co. The pupils were asked to write essays on scientific temperance. As a result they received 40 essays. Ten of the best were awarded prizes. Then they were asked to speak in the contest on Wednesday night. It made a very interesting contest. Mrs. and Miss Mosier and Miss White, of Loogootee came with us to Washington and gave able assistance in this institute. The attendance here was quite small in the day session, at night we had a very good and attentive audience. The ministers here gave us some very interesting talks.

## Posey County.

The institute at Cynthiana, June 7 and 8, was a great success. The secretary and treasurer having moved away the burden of the work fell upon two members, Mrs. Julia Wilkinson, President and Mrs. Hattie Marvel, Superintendent of medal work. The entire delegation of the county was entertained at the noon hour at the beautiful home of the President.

The L. T. L. came from Stewartsville in a body and took part on the program. Also a number of their W's. There were seven delegates and the white ribbon choir from Mt. Vernon. We secured several members for their W. Also organized a Y. which will work in connection with the W. C. T. U.

Parliamentary Usage—Miss Iva M. Wade.  
Parlor Meetings—Miss Flora Bell Malcome.  
S. S. Work—Miss Olive Cleveland.  
Flower Mission—Miss Etta Kipp.  
Medal Work—Miss Dora Martin.  
Literature—Miss Cora Lowe.  
Leader—Miss Ora Wasson.

If you could see the faces of those girls you would know that Y. will live.

MRS. EVA M. EVERTSON,  
Co. Pres,

## Knox County

held the annual election of W. C. T. U. in June and report the following:

President, Mrs. Arrie F. Polk, Freelandville.  
Vice-President and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Virtue-Chambers, Westphalia.  
Treasurer, Mrs. J. T. McJimsey, Vincennes.  
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Alice Bierhaus, Vincennes.

Our institute held at Edwardsport was a grand success. Misses Hadley and Newlin were present. NELLIE VIRTUE-CHAMBERS,  
Cor. Sec.

## Cynthiana.

Mrs. Denney was at Edwardsport and of course gave valuable assistance. We had a very nice institute there. Organized an L. T. L. At Cynthiana we had a very good institute. There were only two members there but I think they are equal to at least half a dozen. The attendance here was good. Mrs. Everson from Mt. Vernon came and brought her Y. girls and boys who gave us good music. The Cynthiana people also furnished good music. The Stewartville L. T. L. had a nice exercise one afternoon. People came to the institute from the country and surrounding towns. We had very fine discussions by ministers and teachers. Organized a Y. of 9 members. We received a very hearty welcome at Cynthiana, Mrs. Everson and nearly all of her young people came to the train to meet us. Mrs. Wilkinson, the one White Ribbon woman in town (the other lives in the country), entertained 25 or more for dinner. The church was beautifully decorated with palms and roses, with a large picture of Frances Willard in a white frame on a white easel decorated with smilax.

The Jasper institute held a very good medal contest. The medal was won by Miss Maud



Clark. The institute was attended by an able representation of Mrs. Hobbs' union at Hillsboro, and also from the Birch Creek and other unions, but the local attendance was quite limited, as compared with that which came from long distances over muddy roads.

At Princeton our audiences were very nice but not very large. The members attended all of the sessions but there were not so many from outside. A very hard rain just at the time of one of the evening meetings, made the audience small. A list of 16 for the MESSAGE. 11 new members and 2 honoraries. MELL NEWLIN, MARY HADLEY.

#### Newburg.

Mrs. Balch and Mrs. Anderson came to Newburg, June 15, for the purpose of holding a Normal institute. Mrs. Anderson having received urgent solicitation to come to the help of the union at Mineral Springs, only remained until noon of the following day. Mrs. Balch in connection with Newburg union held a day meeting and gave a very interesting address at night, after which she gave one of her humorous recitations which pleased the audience very much, and we have reason to believe set them to thinking along lines hitherto overlooked. A good program encouraged and interested many present. Our cause has been benefitted. Three gifted singers contributed solos. Mrs. Durille Porter of Washington, D. C., Miss Nelson from Evansville, and Mrs. Olmstead wife of Rev. Olmstead of Newburg. Four new members were added to Newburg union.

MRS. MAGGIE DILLINGHAM.

#### FIELD NOTES.

Miss. Ella Coulter is leader of the Aurora Y branch.

New Albany has four Loyal Temperance Legions.

Marion extends a cordial welcome to the State convention.

Upland will head the roll as the largest union in Grant county.

A conference of White Ribboners will be held by a State officer at each Assembly.

The Vincennes union has asked the ministers to preach on Sunday desecration and Mormonism.

We regret to know of the continued ill health of Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, president of Wabash county.

Provision should be made by the county executive for sending the county president to the State Convention.

Mrs. Hattie Stickle of Mulberry one of Clinton county's truest White Ribboners, is in the hospital at Frankfort.

Miss. Mary Hadley presented our cause before the students of the Shoals Normal school. Much interest was manifested.

The Greenfield Boy's Brigade Band of 30 members will help to make W. C. T. U. childrens day at Acton Park a success.

Now is the time for unions to provide for the expenses of their President and the other delegates to the State Convention.

Are there places where the screens are not allowed before the doors and windows of saloons? What is the law in regard to this?

On W. C. T. U. day at Bethany Park July 24 there will be a good program throughout the day; gold medal contest in the afternoon.

Brazil union under the wise leadership of Mrs. Dora Keith their greatly loved president has divided into sections and is doing aggressive work.

It is estimated that 10,000 people attended the temperance rally at Eaton on July 4th. Rev. Aaron Worthy and Mrs. Ellen K. Denny were on the program.

Mapleton union will hold a lawyers' suffrage contest at Harrison Hall cor. 111 and 30th streets on the evening of July 31 in observance of Mother Wallace's birthday.

Mrs. Everson of Posey county writes: We have had Mrs. Squires for two weeks recently and want to engage her for at least seven weeks more before the State Convention.

Lady Henry Somerset was re-elected, with much enthusiasm, president of the British Woman's Temperance Association by the Annual Council, in session in London during the week beginning May 15.

At the county institutes hundreds of new members were secured. It will be a great mistake for the officers of the unions to fail to secure their interest and immediate co-operation. *Be sure and collect the dues.*

Wabash has fixed her dates for her fall convention Sept. 5 and 6, and will have a gold medal contest the second evening and a good speaker the first. It is just the wise thing for each county executive to go and do likewise. By taking time better planning could be done—hence better execution.

Our State president and treasurer, whose official duties and untiring work on the paper allowed them to attend only an occasional session of the institutes, found many ways to encourage and promote the work which could not have developed to its splendid proportions without their efficient help.

There was large attendance July 4 at Morocco,

Valley Mills and Mulberry. Mrs. McWhirterspoke at Morocco. Dr. Basset and Mrs. McWhirter at Mulberry. There was a gold medal contest and speakers at Valley Mills.

Bridgeport union observed Flower Mission day at the Boy's Reform School, Plainfield, and presented Mrs. A. B. Leck, county president, with a beautiful bouquet of flowers with the text card attached with a white ribbon.

The W. C. T. U. of Upland went before the city council and requested that it be made impossible for gambling places to be kept open and for pool tables to be used. This they did by making the license so high that it could not profitably be paid.

The Richmond unions had Miss Anna Downey for a lecture on June 9th the next day they observed as Flower Mission day by visiting City Hospital, Old Ladies Home, Home for the Friendless, Orphans Home and County jail. Beautiful bouquets with Scripture text cards tied on with white ribbon were distributed in every place Flower Mission day.

James Gipe, our State president of the Loyal Temperance Legion is attending the New York State L. T. L. convention at Staten Island. The day following the close of that convention will be held an Inter-state L. T. L. conference at which James will represent Indiana in the discussion of "what would be the advantage of a National L. T. L. organization."

The Atlanta union has 33 active, and 11 honorary members. Meetings are held every week. The departments of medal contest, Literature, Purity, Press, Flower Mission, Sunday School, Franchise and L. T. L. work are taken up. Loyal Legion with 20 names has just been organized and hope to have many more. Temperance sentiment is growing in our town.

The presidents of Unions are urged to have a conference with the Treasurer and look over the list of paid membership with her. If there are any whose dues have not been paid, please remind them that unless we can collect the dues of those whose names are on the lists, as well as get new members, we may have to pass the White Ribbon Star-spangled banner on to another State. Much depends upon the collection of dues. *Will you help?*

By a very original unique plan Mrs. Ada L. Squires arranges for giving elocution lessons to a class desiring to hold a medal contest and also to give lessons in voice drill to a large number of young people for a contest program. She wonderfully interests many people in a community and always succeeds in organizing an L. T. L. a W. or a Y. Recently she did excellent work at New Harmony, organized instructed the workers and helped to overcome many obstacles. She is expected to return to Posey county for much more work.

Indianapolis Willard Union observed Flower Mission day at the Colored Orphan's Home with an interesting program arranged by the President, Mrs. Woodruff, Mrs. A. B. Leck, County President, spoke on Jennie Casseday and there were recitations and songs. In response to the call in the *Evening News* for Christian papers, Bibles, etc., for the workhouse, Willard Union sent 150 papers, 1 Bible, and 1 Testament. Rev. G. M. Smith, pastor of Hall Place M. E. church is now an honorary member of Willard Union. Willard Union is planning to give a lawn fete some time this month.

Mrs. Sue Ratliff, Treasurer of Deer Creek union, writes: Dear Mrs. McWhirter—I write you in behalf of the Deer Creek Local W. C. T. U. that you may know we appreciate and wish to co-operate with you in the department of organization. Your appeal in the MESSAGE was read in our last union and each heart responded with that zeal and earnestness that is pleasing to behold. One woman, Mrs. Dr. Pownel, of Roseburg, almost immediately responded, saying, "I want to give a dollar," and another one, Mrs. Mary Coggeshall, of South Marion, with tears gave another dollar. The one that would have been paid in dues had not the angel of death removed her dear daughter, Edna, to a higher life. We thought how true, "They that sow in tears, shall reap with joy." Added to this is an offering of \$3.00 from our treasurer, making it five.

Camden W. C. T. U. held a silver medal contest, June 29th. There were six contestants, all girls, their ages ranging from 12 to 15. Fern Huston received the medal. Her recitation was, "Five Smooth Stones" and was well rendered. We had a very interesting program. "How beautiful to be with God," "For God and Home and Native Land" and "Saloons must go" were sung, and a solo by a little girl, "A Wonderful House." Our Methodist minister's wife and two ministers were out to our contest. We have a wall pocket in the depot and keep literature in it. We have purchased ten White Ribbon hymnals, some National leaflets and take three Union Signals. ELLA BOYD, President.

#### A LONG ROAD.

Our National Convention meets in Seattle—a long road; will Indiana White Ribboners consider this and begin to plan how to make a full delegation. Canvass the field and find the women who can go paying their own expenses or otherwise. Every group of counties should come to the convention with plans matured and money in hand for the delegates. Every county should consider that at least \$5.00 should be forth-com-

ing to make our delegation a success. Our cause demands that each state send her full quota. The time between our State convention and the National is short. We can not get ready after the State convention. Now do not lap this aside it should have your best thought, your prompt action. MARY E. BALCH.

#### ORGANIZATION.

##### How It was Done at Huntingburg.

"We look along the shining way  
To see the angels, faces;  
They come to us in darkest days,  
And in the bleakest places."

The day we left Princeton for Huntingburg the weather was sultry and oppressively warm. We had been led to believe that Huntingburg with its Brewery, its many saloons and its large foreign population was proof against organization for temperance, but it must be remembered that Dubois county has a valiant leader as president, Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, who is proof against surrender, and she had thought out and sought out, and set in order those who would stand for the cause and had written us about them. So after a beautiful welcome at the home of Mrs. Malona Glezen, we were enabled to promptly get our bearings and enter upon the work. Through some failure in announcement a small though attentive audience greeted us at the first meeting, at the close of which about one-half present gave their names for membership. The afternoon of the day following was appointed for organization. House to house calls to be made in the meantime. The drizzling rain and occasional showers did not allow this part of the work to be completed. But at the appointed time we met for organization which resulted in a union of 15 members. This is a courageous union whose members received the whole gospel of temperance gladly. May many be added to its ranks.

At Jasper we were welcomed and entertained at the beautiful and romantic home of Miss Lottie Doane who gives personal supervision over all its appointments, teaches school, holding a state license and a high position in her profession and who by the way is the only representative of the White Ribbon idea in all that rum-cursed capital of Dubois county. That Miss Doane is intelligent, cultured, and a girl of independence and principle goes without saying.

ORGANIZATION MAY 23-25, GREEN COUNTY, BLOOMFIELD.

President, Lizzie Scott.  
Vice President, Emma R. Hill.  
Recording Secretary, Callie Moss.  
Treasurer, Clara Wilson.

Twenty-two members—16 regular and 6 honorary including all the ministers of the town; 15 subscriptions to the MESSAGE, 1 Signal; 7 paid dues.

ORGANIZATION MAY 26-31, LAWRENCE COUNTY, BEDFORD.

President, Lizzie Holcom.  
Corresponding Secretary, Mary M. Alexander.  
Recording Secretary, Martha T. Allen.  
Treasurer, Mary E. Deniston.

There are 29 members—16 regular, 13 honorary, including all the ministers, 2 teachers, 1 editor and 5 merchants; 17 subscribers to the MESSAGE, 2 Signals (1 premium); 13 paid dues, 7 regular, 6 honorary.

Organization of an L. T. L. at Edwardsport, Miss Hulda Reeve, Leader.

ORGANIZATION JUNE 11-14, DUBOIS COUNTY, HUNTINGBURG.

President, Eliza P. Birk.  
Vice President, Mrs. M. F. Glezen.  
Rec. Secretary, Eva Pierce.  
Cor. Secretary, Alice A. Glezen.  
Treasurer, Johna Schroeder.

Fifteen members—9 regular, 6 honorary; 13 subscribers to the MESSAGE, 1 Signal, premium; 6 paid dues, 4 regular, 2 honorary.

(Signed) Misses HADLEY and NEWLIN.

#### An Appeal for Hadley Industrial School.

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE HADLEY SCHOOL:

My words to you are few, but full of earnest pleading. Your Board of managers is burdened to know how so properly provide for the dear girls committed to its care. There are now 26 bright, sweet girls in the Home, and 8 others seeking admission. We cannot take the responsibility of refusing them, and can only admit them, trusting to your help.

We have not means sufficient to run the institution. We have no solicitor in the field, but believe this to be the benevolent work of the W. C. T. U. of the State, and that they should support their own children. We are a body strong in faith and numbers, and an average of 50 cts per member per year would afford a sufficient fund for operating expenses, and put the Home in good shape to accommodate 50 girls. Our out buildings are in wretched condition, and are a bad example of shiftlessness to these girls in training. We have recently sold some hogs and cows from the farm, and had planned to use the funds in bettering the condition of things generally; but the insurance men have notified us that our fire insurance on the buildings has expired. We shall at once renew, which will sweep the treasury. I hope you all realize that this Home can never be self-sustaining and fulfill its destiny. It rests with our State organization whether this Home shall flourish or fail.

We are planning an excursion to the Home during the week of the State Fair, when there will be reduced railroad rates. We hope all friends of the school will visit it, and inspect its workings and needs; also that they will be eager to share in its support and receive the blessing of the faithful. LUCRETIA HOBERT.

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## WHITE RIBBONERS.

"Just where you stand in the conflict,  
There is your place!  
Just where you think you are useless,  
Hide not your face!

Out in the fight, or on picket,  
Stand firm and true!  
This is the work which your Master  
Gives you to do." —*Union Signal*.

Indiana W. C. T. U. convention Marion Oct. 6-10.

National W. C. T. U. convention Seattle Washington October 20-25.

The State Loyal Temperance Legion Convention will be held at Marion October 6-7 in connection with the State W. C. T. U. convention.

Just as we go to press we learn of the severe illness of Miss Marie C. Brehm. We are glad, however, to inform her many friends that she is rapidly recovering.

An excellent leaflet on "Tobacco," by Elder D. E. Scoles of Washburn, Mo., ought to be on the table in the sitting-room of every home in our State. Enclose 2 cents each for a few copies. Price \$1.60 per hundred.

The out of State Speakers at our State convention will be Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens National President W. C. T. U., Miss Anna Gordon National Vice President W. C. T. U. and Honorable John G. Woolley.

The International Congress of Women, recently in session at London, England, in honoring Mrs. May Wright Sewall, of Indianapolis, by electing her to its presidency, has honored itself and the cultured women of the world alike. The name of Mrs. Sewall is already highly honored in her native land.

The Patriotic Anti-Alcohol League of Belgium, whose honorary president is the Count of Flanders, the king's brother, and whose acting president is the prime minister of the kingdom, pays tribute to one of our country-women. Through the action of their general assembly in July, 1898, Mrs. Mary H. Hunt of Boston, U. S. A., was made honorary member of the organization. The note telling Mr. Hunt of this distinction emphasizes the highest esteem and keen appreciation which the League entertains for her labors in behalf of scientific temperance education in the schools of her own and other countries. It is signed by M. Jules Le Jeune, prime minister of Belgium.

## TO PUGET SOUND AND THE PACIFIC COAST

From Chicago and Return for \$61.50.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention will be held at Seattle, Wash., October 20-25. This will be a splendid time of the year to make a trip to the Pacific coast, and we hope many White Ribboners and their friends will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to visit Puget Sound and the Pacific coast region. In order that our Indiana delegates and visitors may make this long trip in one party, we have succeeded, after much effort, in arranging for tickets to be issued, without additional expense, which will take our party to Seattle over the very best lines through the great Northwestern country and returning through the heart of the Rockies. The party will go and return over the following lines:

The Chicago division of the Big Four to Chicago, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul to St. Paul and the Northern Pacific through from St. Paul to Seattle. Returning via Northern Pacific to Portland, Ore., the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company line and Oregon Short Line to Ogden; from there via Denver & Rio Grande through Pueblo, Colorado Springs (Pike's Peak) to Denver. From Denver to Chicago via Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway; from Chicago to Indianapolis over the Big Four line.

Tickets on sale October 14-16 going, good until November 16. Tickets can be purchased of the home ticket agents for one fare for round trip. Stop-over privileges will be granted wherever desired.

Pullman sleeper rate \$14 for double lower berth from Chicago to Seattle. We hope to have fifteen or more to go in our party; if so a sleeper will be chartered, which will greatly reduce the expense, making it perhaps as low as \$10 for double berth.

The party will spend the Sabbath in St. Paul, Minn. The sleeper will remain at our disposal while there without additional expense.

Please consider the great possibilities of such a trip and arrange to join our party.

The announcement of the lines over which our party will go we are assured is sufficient to cause many friends of the W. C. T. U. to accept an invitation to join our party.

Our party will go from Indianapolis to Chicago over the Big Four, from there we will take the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul line to St. Paul. At St. Paul we take the Northern Pacific. The excellent equipment and splendid service of the Northern Pacific makes it the choice of the Northern lines running through to the coast. It passes through the greatest cities of the North region, Fargo, Bismarck, Helena, Spokane and Tacoma before reaching Seattle; Puget Sound and vicinity present many attractions. The return trip will give opportunity for seeing an entirely different and equally interesting part of the great West. From Seattle our party will go down over the Northern Pacific to Portland, the largest of the North coast cities. From there over the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company and the Oregon Short Line across the States of Oregon, Idaho and Utah to Ogden. From Ogden to Denver we will cross the States of Utah and Colorado over the Rio Grande Western and the Denver & Rio Grande, thus passing through the most picturesque region of the Rockies, with their famous scenery and resorts, through Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Manitou and Pike's Peak near by. From Denver over the Chicago & Rock Island across some of the richest and most beautiful country of homes in America to Chicago, and from there to Indianapolis over the Big Four line.

Persons desiring further information in regard to the trip address Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, President Indiana W. C. T. U., 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

## MOTHERHOOD AS A PROFESSION.

### Lack of Proper Training for It the Cause of Most of the Illness Among Children.

"Ideal motherhood is the work not of instinct, but of enlightened knowledge conscientiously acquired and carefully digested," writes Helen Watterson Moody, of "The True Meaning of Motherhood," in the *May Ladies' Home Journal*. "If maternity is an instinct, motherhood is a profession; and yet many a girl undertakes it with less understanding of its duties and less anxiety for their discharge than she gives to the selection of the tailor who is to make her new gowns, or the costumes of the bridesmaids in her wedding procession. It is quite the fashion, nowadays, in well-to-do families, to provide the daughters with some special training by means of which they could earn their own bread and butter if the family fortunes should suddenly fail. It is held to be altogether wise and proper to educate a daughter for a possible profession in a remote contingency, yet while nineteen out of twenty of our girls marry and become mothers, no training whatever for the real profession of their lives is thought to be necessary. Any practicing physician will tell you that four-fifths of the illness among children could be avoided by proper knowledge and care on the part of the mothers, and yet the girls feel that they must take up college settlement work, and scientific whist and the banjo to get a little excitement into their lack-lustre lives until the great excitement of marriage comes."

### The International Epworth League Convention and the Canteen.

The topics for each of three monster temperance meetings held on Saturday night were, "Total Abstinence and Pledge Signing," "Economics of Prohibition," "The Saloon in Politics" and "Restrictive and Prohibitory Legislation." In each meeting strong Prohibition arguments and statements of principles met with tumultuous applause, showing that the rank and file of the Methodist young people are far in advance of their leaders on the temperance question. From the demonstration at English Opera House when the Rev. Dr. Ceane, of Boston, had finished his powerful address it was very evident that these young people expect and will demand leadership that denounces the licensed liquor traffic by pen, voice and vote.

The Rev. Dr. D. D. Thompson of the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, said:

"Whatever we may think of the motive which inspired it, we will be wise to recognize the fact that the recent decision of the Attorney General of the United States nullifying the law of Con-

gress prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor in any post exchange or canteen of the United States army shows that the liquor traffic has invaded the White House and occupies two seats at the President's council board—that of the Secretary of War and that of the Attorney General."

The Rev. R. J. Cook, of Chattanooga, said: "The baneful influence of the liquor traffic on the military power of a nation is pointed out by the military leaders of England and America—Wolseley, Kitchener, Miles, Shafter, and every leader of note in great movements. These men, who make history for a nation, stand for prohibitive laws, and they all condemn the canteen. The people and the Congress of the United States condemn the canteen. And the only reason given by the highest legal authority in Washington for continuing the canteen is that, contrary to the genius, the meaning, the structure, and usage of the English language for a thousand years, the words 'no other person' mean 'every other person.' Thank God, when we have to root up and destroy the English language in order to establish the liquor traffic, the last ditch is in sight. Some day another Lincoln will sit in Washington and write another bill of emancipation for the millions of his countrymen."

The Rev. J. O. Knott, of Washington, D. C., did not hesitate to mention President McKinley as responsible for the canteen scandal, saying:

"A glance at the temperance situation shows it was never more critical. To appearances the liquor power has the better of the fight. The saloon exults over the Methodist chief magistrate's attitude to the army canteen law."

From the *Western Christian Advocate*, the official organ of the Methodist church for Indiana, we quote:

"Dr. Crane's topic—'The Saloon in Politics'—led him into the midst of things. His striking appearance, dramatic action, ringing utterances, earnest boldness, made him as effective as Woolley; and yet there was the kindly glow of Christian charity even in his most radical sentences."

"Say what you will of impotency in army management, imperfect sanitary arrangements, poor medical attendance, and unwholesome disease-producing food, we believe the debauching, demoralizing deadly drink sold in the Government camp saloons did more to bring on the diseases that killed the soldiers than exposure and climate combined."

"The story of our soldier dead is bad. The story of the soldier left alive is little better, if at all. From a village in my native State of Illinois seventeen young men went to the Spanish War. One returned a corpse, sixteen returned confirmed drunks. Had my son been one of them, I would have prayed for him to be the corpse. The canteen, which works such wreck and ruin, was abolished by Congress. That righteous act is nullified by a creature of the President. Conferences, Synods, Assemblies, and bishops have appealed to the President to execute this righteous law. To all our prayers, petitions, and letters, 'William the Silent' makes no reply. A body of women who went to see him on the subject were refused an audience. Another 'Etheldreda the Unready' has arisen."

## ANTI-CANTEEN LAW.

The text of the Anti-Canteen law as passed by Congress reads as follows:

SEC. 17. That no officer or private soldier shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks, as a bartender or otherwise, in any post exchange or canteen, nor shall any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States, and the Secretary of War is hereby directed to issue such general order as may be necessary to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect.

SEC. 18. That all laws or parts of laws which conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

United States Attorney General Griggs (member of President McKinley's cabinet), interprets the above law to mean that it only restricts soldiers from serving as bartenders. The canteens (beer saloons) are open now in all army camps, etc., just the same as before Congress passed the law. This is outrageous. Let every Christian cry out against toleration of such unprecedented opposition to the will of the people and an action of Congress. Christian sentiment of the country demands the suppression of the canteen. Let every one interested circulate the following petition and when many names have been secured send it to Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts, secretary Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C.

To the Honorable William McKinley, President of the United States of America, we appeal to you as President to carry the Anti-Canteen law into full force and effect in accordance with its natural meaning and the intent of Congress, by issuing an order as Commander-in-Chief of the army for the total suppression of army saloons, at least until the Attorney General's opinion has been finally tested in the courts.



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### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

#### Special Notice to Department Workers.

Blanks were to be provided for the reports if there was money to pay for them. There is no money now and no way of knowing what amount will come in. It is not safe to print them unless we take the chances of incurring debt. Then there is a system of blanks that the state should consider before we begin the printing of blanks. Indiana in every particular must have the best systems and methods in the running of all the machinery of her organization. If the local county superintendents will consult the back numbers of the MESSAGE for this year they will find their questions to answer in reporting to their state superintendents. There can be no blanks this year. MARY E. BALCH.

#### CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP.

Through the MESSAGE I wish to insist upon every county President in the State that has not yet responded to the letters written by the State Superintendent of Christian Citizenship Department requesting them to appoint a county Superintendent for this department, to send name of person appointed to me. I have written two letters to almost every county President and to some have sent the third letter, but a number have not acknowledged one letter.

Dear sisters, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is one of the most systematic organizations of our time; but one defective wheel will cause the clock to stop. Hence we must have assistance all along the line or we can accomplish but little, if we accomplish anything.

Superintendents who have been appointed kindly report to me, just what your local Superintendents, with your assistance are doing. Local Superintendents who have no county Superintendent report to me. Can I hear from every Superintendent before September 15.

How many pages of literature have you distributed?

How many Christian organizations have given or promised one meeting to this subject?

How many addresses?

How many sermons?

How many prayer meetings?

How many Bible readings?

How many Christian Citizenship parlor meetings?

How many protests against gambling?

Is each local Superintendent supplied by her own Union with Christian Citizenship literature?

How many public meetings?

Report any other work done.

As this is a comparatively new department the main feature is to educate.

Mrs. M. ALMIRA STAPLES,  
South Bend. State Superintendent.

#### Narcotics.

Dear White Ribboners of Indiana: I wish I could reach every local union in the state to tell them the need of work in every town. Do not think all has been done by the resolutions passed in ministerial meetings for some of the churches that have passed the most stringent laws are using the sweet wine of commerce at our Lord's table.

Are we doing our duty when one church still uses alcoholic wine at this precious memorial service, instituted by the one who died for us? Christ our passover. Dear sisters, this month I send out blanks to the few county Superintendents and to the county Presidents where there are no superintendents. Hoping to hear some report of work done in this department, I remain,  
Your faithful co-worker.

July 26. J. R. WOOD,  
1706 N. Delaware st. Indianapolis Ind.

#### FRANCHISE LETTER.

To All Superintendents.

The leaders of the spring institutes of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana kindly consented to carry and deliver at each Institute, to be given to the county franchise superintendent, my package of enrollment blanks and instructions, and to endeavor that the former superintendent or a new one appointed should receive them. I have received reports or the names of superintendents of seventy one counties and have sent each woman a letter and some franchise literature to encourage them in the arduous labor of securing an abundance of names to the permanent enrollment petitions.

That is the most important work just now and I urge that the counties be districted and local superintendents set to work in each district. We greatly desire to receive five or six thousand names both of men and women, from each county. Brazil had the largest petition and the most names last year. What county will have the most names this year? I have not received the names of all of the superintendents from all the counties and I ask each county Superintendent to whom I have not written this year to send me her name and P. O. address just as soon as she sees this article in the MESSAGE, for you may be sure that I have not received your name. I have the report blanks ready and am only waiting for your name that I may forward them to you. Yours for thousands of names to the enrollment petitions,  
M. A. TOMPKINS, Elkhart,  
State Sup't. of Franchise.

#### County Fairs.

Let me urge local unions to hold fairs. Where there are no county fairs, erect booths in the way most convenient to them, or the best that is in their limits; decorate their booths with United States flags, have mottoes, with temperance texts, from the Holy Scripture, Miss. Willard's picture, the whole world has heard of her and would like to see her face. Have a fair number of *Union Signal* to distribute free. Also take subscriptions to *Union Signal* and MESSAGE, and have Miss Willard's books for sale. Have a check stand for parcels, wraps and even babies so that their mothers may get the most good out of your fair. Send to Mrs. H. T. Guild Sedalia Missouri for Pledge cards gotten up for fair work. They are red. You are to string them and hang up with blue and white ribbon. They cost 25 cents per hundred. Have Temperance drinks, ice-water, lemonade, tea and coffee, especially if you hold your fair out of doors. Have a gospel temperance meeting if for only half an hour. If you wish to fill your treasury have a medal contest or a contest in oratory on Prohibition, or some phase of total abstinence for the individual. Prohibition for the Nation, total abstinence for the individual. Our national Superintendent offers a Banner to our department for the largest increase in membership. Let Indiana take the banner, and we will, if *all strive and all strive together*.

Questions to be answered at the end of the year which will be on or before the 15th of September.

2. Special features of the work done.  
3. Number of places where the W. C. T. U. was represented.

4. Amount of money raised.

5. Number of pages of literature distributed.

6. Number of buildings owned by W. C. T. U. on fair or Chautauqua grounds.

7. Number of new members secured by Superintendents.

8. Did the W. C. T. U., prevent the sale of intoxicants on city parks or fair grounds, or any other holiday gatherings?

Report all from last year not previously reported.

How many gospel temperance meetings?

How many conversions at gospel temperance meetings?

Let me urge all Fair workers to strive for the well done of our Master in whose name, and under whose banner we work.

Yours most cordially for success,  
M. A. L. COLTON,  
Superintendent State and County Fair Work.

#### Work Among Colored People.

It is with keen disappointment that I must say to our State workers that I am informed by our State officers that there is no money to pay for the printing of blanks for me to send to you to fill out and return. I have been so hopeful for a generous and comprehensive response from our entire State. To the special points with which I have been in regular correspondence I can secure data for my report, but in many places where some work, not considered worthy of a special letter, but which would show that our women are thinking, I fear I shall lose, will not each of you come to the rescue and write me at least a postcard telling me if the interests of this department have been, in any way considered, and if so please specify.

Mrs. Lottie Seales, Wabash county's efficient superintendent, has been in active service. She writes: "We are very proud and hopeful of the colored union; they are trying so hard to do good work." She reports an excellent meeting recently held, where two fine papers were read. The devotion at the beginning of the meeting were especially impressive. With the assistance of the county L. T. L. secretary, Mrs. Holloway, an L. T. L., was on July 14 organized with eighteen members and two good women as leaders. A very successful contest has recently been held, of which Viola Daniels was the winner of a medal. Townsend colored union deserves congratulation.

Wednesday, August 2, was made memorable at Acton Assembly by the able and impressive service rendered by our colored sisters. I give it as reported by the Indianapolis News:

"To-day is the second day of the W. C. T. U. meetings.

Mrs. Mary E. Sims, State Superintendent of the W. C. T. U., spoke this morning on 'Work Among the Colored People.' Mrs. Thomas, of Thorntown, gave an address on 'The Needs of Our People' and a temperance recitation, 'The Old Man's Story.' Mrs. Sissle, a teacher in the Indianapolis schools, talked on 'How to Conduct a Contest.' Mrs. Lucy Tappan Philipps, of Tennessee, spoke of her fifteen years' experience in her work in the South. These three speakers are colored women. They gave excellent addresses. Mrs. Philipps sang 'One Sweetly Solemn Thought,' and 'Swing Low, Sweet Chariot.' She was educated at Flsk University in Nashville and was a trained singer in the jubilee company of that university. Both she and her husband are persons of superior intellect and education."

Lack of funds for postage will restrict my writing of special letters to you individually, for my appropriation has a good while ago been exhausted. Will you not each consider this a personal letter and write me, remembering that it is for "these little ones which believe in Christ."

Sincerely,

MARY E. L. SIMS,  
State Superintendent.

#### Mothers' Meetings.

I hope to receive a report for the year and in time for my report to the State from each superintendent of mothers' meetings. Some unions have no superintendent and yet have done work in this department. Will the President please see that such work by her union is reported.

Mothers' meetings include mothers' clubs, child culture circles, parents' institutes, any meeting.

1. Number of mothers' meetings held.  
2. What is the average attendance?  
3. Do you hold your mothers' meetings separate from the regular W. C. T. U. meeting?  
4. Have you circulating library for mothers?  
5. How many subscribers to the *New Crusade*?  
6. How many subscribers to *Pro-View Questions*?  
7. Have you a regular course of study? What is it?  
8. Have you a yearly program planned?  
9. How many mothers' meetings in connection with the schools?

10. How many fathers' or parents' meetings have you held?

11. How many members added to the Union through the mothers' meetings?

12. What is the greatest need of this phase of the work?

13. Have you taken up the two-years' course of study planned by Dr. Mary Wood-Allen?

14. Have you invited home talent, such as ministers, doctors, nurses, dentists, teachers and financiers, who can enoble the home life by their experience and ideas, to take part in the programs?

15. Name of Superintendent. Name where the study of questions pertaining to home and parenthood and children are presented.

I have sent sample copies and literature to all superintendents whose addresses I have.

MRS. K. T. A. STRAW,  
State Superintendent Mothers' Meetings,  
North Manchester, Indiana.

#### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION BRANCH.

Collect your dues and be ready for the report blanks.

Get ready for convention at Marion, October 6 and 7.

The senior number of the *Young Crusader* will contain a photograph and sketch of the life of our state L. T. L. President, James Gipe. Be sure and read it.

By invitation of county A. Madison division Indiana L. T. L., the State secretary L. T. L. branch attended a medal contest at Elwood. Miss Maud Louman received the medal.

The new banner which was won by Lincolnville last year for payment of greatest amount of dues over five dollars will be taken to Seattle this year. Who will have the honor of winning it this year?

#### Railroad.

County superintendents of railroad work are most earnestly requested to send to me reports of work done in their departments by the first of September, as my report must be sent to the National by September 10.

MRS. ADALINE SCUSE,  
813 North Eighth St., Lafayette, Ind.

#### Program Department Meeting—Peace or War.

Open with singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee."  
Read Isaiah 24 chapter, by President of union.  
Prayer by Peace and Evangelistic Superintendent.

Song, "Star Spangle Banner."  
Address of thirty minutes by whoever the union selects.  
"What has this humanitarian war accomplished for humanity?" followed by ten minutes discussion.

Distribution of leaflets.

Order from Phalanx office, 25 cents per hundred.

Collection.

Close with singing "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean."

Benediction. MARY E. BALCH.

#### Non-Alcoholic Medication.

DEAR SISTERS—Will County Superintendents or county Presidents kindly report any work done in the interest of non-alcoholic medication. department by September 1st. Please answer the following questions and add anything else to the report that will be of interest.

1. How many pages of literature distributed?

2. How many meetings of the union devoted to the study of this department?

3. How many original papers have been read before the union on this subject?

4. Have pamphlets or leaflets been loaned or given to physicians or medical students?

5. How was this department presented at your County Institute? By lecture, paper, question box, discussion or distribution of literature?

6. Have you a local Superintendent of this department in each union?

L. F. JESSUP SMITH,  
State Superintendent Non-Alcoholics.

#### Railroad Rates.

A fare of one and one third rate has been granted for all delegates and visitors to the State convention at Marion. Tickets will be issued upon the certificate plan.



## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires organized a union at Carp, Owen county.

There was a large attendance at Zion Park Zionsville on W. C. T. U. day.

Much enthusiasm was manifested at Acton Park during the W. C. T. U. days.

Miss Mary Hadley goes to Clinton county to fill one or two week's engagement.

If for any reason a member drops out secure another one to fill her place at once.

Have you made your subscription list to the MESSAGE equal your paid memberships?

South Bend has a flourishing L. T. L. Miss Cora Case, President, Miss Lila Burton, Superintendent.

Mrs. Cammack has been employed by her own home union to canvass for members before State convention.

Marion central union held a matrons contest the 19th. of July. Mrs. Havens received the silver suffrage medal.

Let every county and every union be heard from this quarter and let every one show an increase in membership.

Peru has 35 paid members 9 of them new members since March 31. This union has held 3 medal contests since April 1st.

All reports of Scientific Temperance Instruction superintendents should report promptly to Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park ave., Indianapolis.

Mrs. Cammack is employed for a week's work each in Howard and Wells counties. She will also attend the institute in Bartholomew county.

Has your union paid for as many members as was paid at this time last year? How many new members will you have added at the close of the year?

Will unions whose clubs to the MESSAGE expired with June, July or August issue and have not already sent in the names, remember to secure the renewals and send in at once.

Willard memorial Y. has taken up a regular course of study on department work and Leaders, State and National under the direction of the President Miss Clementine Andrews.

Have you renewed your subscription to the MESSAGE and Union Signal. If not do so at once that you may not miss a single issue. The papers are not sent after the time has expired.

The Garvin Concert Company highly entertained a Mapleton audience August 2. They are engaged for the Old Settlers' meeting to be held in Broad-Ripple Park, August 16. Everybody should hear it.

Wells county President will visit every union in her county. She will organize a new union this week. Will every other county President do likewise before state convention? Will every county officer do the same. Try it and report success.

The Marion White Ribboners are planning for our annual convention. Chairman of the entertainment committee is Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 south Branson street, Marion. Chairman of evangelistic committee, Mrs. Sarah C. Leuferty, 625 west 4th street, Marion.

The untiring efforts of the Superintendent of Sabbath observance in St. Joseph county, have resulted in enabling them to raise enough money to purchase and distribute 28,000 pages of Sabbath observance literature. Places of business are being closed on Sunday and all ball games have been stopped within the city limits.

The Gibson County Institute was held in the First Presbyterian Church. The President, Mrs. J. E. Jenkins, had done well her part in the preparation for the institute. Misses Hadley and Newlin understood the work they were to do and did it well. The attendance was not so large as we would have liked to have seen, but better than last year. The sessions were both interesting and instructive. The L. T. L. contest on the evening of June 10 was well attended and the recitations good. Miss Helen Upstill received the medal. Mrs. E. D. McCurdy.

Martinsville L. T. L. under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Squires gave a most beautiful entertainment for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School which crowded the Opera House with an enthusiastic audience. The crowd was so great that many people were turned away unable to secure admission. The newspaper reports indicate that there is much interest manifested in Martinsville in the L. T. L. and in our Hadley Training School.

New Garden quarterly meeting of Friends (Wayne county) has made arrangements for a series of Sunday gospel temperance meetings and have engaged our State President to speak Sunday the 13th, morning and evening at Williamsburg. Saturday evening she speaks at the beautiful little Quaker town of Fountain City.

Delaware, Wells, Blackford, Elkhart and Noble counties have engaged Mrs. McWhirter, State President, for county conventions.

The Wells county W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Keystone, September 7 and 8, beginning at 9:30 A. M. on Thursday. An interesting and instructive program has been arranged, one prominent feature being the presentation of department work more fully than has generally been done. Mrs. L. F. McWhirter is expected there. It will certainly be a good meeting. Let as many as possible attend the same.

LAURA O. CRUPP,  
Wells county Cor. Sec.

The Friends' Quarterly Meeting Temperance Committee of Marion has lately met and organized for the years work. These are a few of the good things they have planned to do: Visit Teachers Institutes, and public Schools and encourage the teaching of scientific temperance, carry the campaign into the untrodden fields of the county, pay more attention to the circulation of temperance literature and have a good temperance lecture at every Quarterly meeting. We would that more churches had planned likewise.

A fine all day meeting was held in McManan's grove Grant Co., Sunday July 23. Mrs. Cammack, spoke in the morning and a grand gold medal contest was held in the afternoon. It was conducted by Mrs. Angie Kilgore. Miss Rodena Miller received the medal. The platform was large and beautifully decorated. The carpet, organ, pictures and flowers, presented a very home-like appearance. The point Isabel union has been organized four years, and has held 28 contests. This is their first grand gold contest. Mr. and Mrs. Kilgore deserve much praise and encouragement for their earnest persistent work.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, State Corresponding Secretary, visited the local union and L. T. L. of Atlanta; also spoke at night in the M. E. Church. Her words and presence were helpful and inspiring. She expressed herself as pleased with the work being done. On the 25th the L. T. L. was entertained at the home of their leader, Mrs. W. O. Peirce. The attendance was large. A nice musical and literary program was rendered. Clippings from Union Signal were also read by the children. Two more active members are added to our number. We are hopeful and pressing forward in the name of Him who has promised to lead to certain victory.

LOUISA M. CAMPBELL.

The Pike county W. C. T. U. Institute was held in Petersburg, Miss Hadley and Miss Newlin were in charge. Our institute was a success but owing to other things it was not well attended.

Mrs. Balch surprised us on the second morning by her appearance. Miss Ada Snouden was awarded the medal in the L. T. L. contest.

On the second evening Miss Newlin gave us a splendid address on War and Twentieth Century Civilization. All of the talks by Miss Hadley and Miss Newlin were very much enjoyed as were the excellent papers that were read during the day sessions. A few members were added to the Union and we think this Institute has proven an inspiration to the White Ribboners and they have arranged to have a good program once a month.

The suffrage contest recently held by the Mapleton Union in Harrison's Hall was quite a success; contestants all gentlemen. A large and appreciative audience greeted them. The drill given by twelve little children deserves special mention. The contestants won great applause. The medal was awarded to Mr. Bailey. Baby Squires and Mrs. Squires happened in, to the delight of everybody, their recitations being encored. Tickets 15 cents, including cream and cake. Receipts large. The Treasurer and everybody else delighted. This is the second successful suffrage contest held by the Mapleton Union in the past few weeks, the first being a matron's contest. A debate on the same subject is being arranged to take place in the near future. Prominent men in the community to take part in it. We believe in agitation.

Encourage the girls to organize under the banner for God and home and native land. In every community there could be a Y. W. C. T. U. if only some of the women had been convinced of the great influence and power of girlhood. Arouse ye women! Unless we secure the influence of the girlhood we can not hope to have it said of us, "She hath done what she could." Our secretary of Y. work, Miss Clara Sears, of Anderson, is one of God's own. She is one of the truest, noblest and most energetic workers in our state. Please do engage her for one week's work among the young people of your town. She will go to you from now until the time of the state convention, for expenses and \$5 per week. If she wins your daughter to Christ and to the Y. W. C. T. U. you will think her services can not be estimated by commercial values. Write to her today so you may be able to secure her.

DEAR MESSAGE—You were a little late this time dear friend, but oh so welcome, for I am always needing your help and I am sure to get it when you come.

We can almost shout with joy to think our own Anna Gordon is coming so close to us and so soon. We are all impatient to hear the dear voice that keeps saying "Let the little children come, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Our L. T. L. is now starting on its seventh year and we have sent 24 graduates out into the world to battle for the right—"For God and Home and Native Land." Please tell our sister workers to watch for their laurels—Wabash co. is fully awake now and wants to see that banner. Three new L. T. L.'s. have been organized in less than two weeks. One at Laketon and two at Wabash (one white and one colored.) Two more are planned and will be completed soon.

Let the glad cry go out over all the land, more legions "the children properly trained are the hope of our country"

M. A. HOLLOWAY,  
Co. L. T. L. Branch Sec. and Co. Organizer.

## State Convention.

By action of the mid-year executive local unions are requested to forward the 50 cents for local committee expenses where State convention is held to county Treasurer when dues are forwarded. The county Treasurer to forward to the State Treasurer; all money sent after the State convention to be retained by State Treasurer for the next convention. Will every local union please comply with this request and be prompt. This action was taken because in the past the local committee has been so hampered for lack of funds. Marion has kindly invited us to hold our convention in their beautiful city. Now let every union show its appreciation by sending the 50 cents. This is only a little thing for a union to do, but the little from all over the State will mean much to our Marion sisters. Let me emphasize it. Send all dues received and be sure to send on time. AMANDA T. WHITSON, State Treasurer.

## A LETTER.

MY DEAR SISTERS—Just a few words for you to consider before you meet in state convention. There is nothing in your work that demands more immediate attention than your Industrial School at Hadley. While we are delaying our duty in suitably sustaining it, worthy children, in whose interest the work was planned, are knocking at its doors and those admitted are growing to womanhood without proper training because of lack of means. Who is responsible for this work? The Board? A few, while the majority of our membership wonder whenever they will be relieved of the burden of its support? Women when are you relieved of the care of your daughters? I will answer the question. When they are trained and educated and fitted to go out into society, a credit to their parents and home and a blessing to the world! You dear W. C. T. U. are the foster parents of these children committed to our care. They are a sacred trust and woe to us if we neglect it.

The work of the school has in a large measure been done by four members of the board. One member Mrs. Kate Mendenhall, was for a long time laid aside by illness and death has since ended her earthly work. The other members are so far removed from the Home that they have been unable to meet with the board and consequently have borne but little of the burden.

When the time comes for electing the members on the board you will begin to think of some woman you know who is a good W. C. T. U. and whom you would like to put there. If it were a place of honor merely, that would be allowable, but experience teaches that the honor is of little consideration. Work and hard work, is what is needed and in selecting members this is the matter to be regarded. Those who are best acquainted with the business are agreed that the members of the board should be as near as practicable to the Home. We ask and earnestly beg all who can, to visit and become acquainted with the children and management. The board should be near enough to confer and advise with each other regarding the details of the many things that can not be satisfactorily done by correspondence. Women, please lay aside all personal friendships and consider the good of your wards, remembering that you, and not the Board alone, are accountable for the character of the institution you have created and are morally bound to sustain.

FRANCES O. POTTER.

## Notice to Delegates to State Convention.

Seven years ago we entertained the State convention and had much experience which was of untold value to us now. We had a most pleasant convention and gained far more from the visit of our comrades than we gave out in the way of entertainment and we feel sure that it will be so again. We hope to meet all who come to us with warm hearts and open doors and make their stay pleasant and profitable. It is only as we work in harmony and are mutually helpful to each other that our great enemy can be overcome.

Now dear sisters, we think if a little of this experience which we gained when we prepared for our annual gathering before be handed to those who anticipate coming to our state convention and is heeded it will be of unlimited help to our committee on entertainment. First, be sure to learn just how many state dues have been paid that you make no mistake in the number of state delegates to which you are entitled. Second, in sending in the names of the delegates, send in names of alternates also. Third, if you have friends with whom you desire to stay during the convention please state it and also give the name of the friend. Thus you see that we will be ready to direct you to the place and will not secure the place for other delegates. Fourth, if you have a preference as to the delegate with whom you wish to be entertained please state it also. Fifth, in sending in the names of delegates please give their church connection for we learned when we canvassed for entertainment before that some found it more congenial to entertain their own church people. Sixth, when you receive your card of entertainment be sure that you inform your hostess on what train you will reach Marion so she will be prepared to meet you. Seventh, appoint your delegate early and send in as soon as appointed. Read this notice again and don't neither lose nor forget it.

Your comrade in the work,

MATTIE O. CAMME.



# STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE.

## Receipts.

Scottsburg.....	50	Morocco.....	1 00
New Albany.....	2 25	N. Timber.....	50
Eaton.....	1 50	Huntington.....	3 00
Albany.....	1 50	Western Grove.....	1 50
Peru.....	7 50	Greenfield.....	1 00
Brazil.....	4 00	Fortville.....	2 00
S. Bend—Central.....	4 50	Washington.....	2 50
S. Bend—Collfax Ave.....	2 50	Franklin.....	2 00
S. Bend—Chapin Pk.....	1 50	Monrovia.....	4 50
Greencastle.....	2 50	Martinsville.....	9 00
Nappanee.....	2 00	Centerton.....	2 00
Jefferson.....	50	Mooresville.....	1 50
Frankfort — White.....		Paragon.....	2 00
Ribbon Union.....	4 50	Brooklyn.....	1 50
Mulberry.....	2 50	Anderson.....	9 00
Frankfor Col.....	2 50	Lapel.....	2 00
Kewana.....	4 50	Pendleton.....	3 50
Rochester.....	4 50	Alexandria.....	2 00
Crown Point.....	6 00	Elwood—Willard.....	3 00
Hobart.....	6 50	“ Brehm.....	3 50
Hoagland.....	1 00	Lafayette.....	8 50
Willard (Ft. Wayne).....	11 50	“ Central.....	3 50
Jeffersonville.....	2 50	Stockwell.....	50
LaPorte.....	3 50	Argos.....	2 00
Westville.....	1 00	Bourbon.....	1 00
Michigan City.....	1 00	Thornstown.....	4 00
Middlebury.....	1 50	Zionsville.....	1 75
Bristol.....	2 00	Aurora.....	4 00
Goshen.....	5 50	Dillsboro.....	2 50
Nappanee.....	8 00	Logansport—Cent'l.....	3 50
Elkhart.....	2 50	“ West Side.....	3 00
Kokomo.....	4 00	Lucerne.....	50
New London.....	1 00	Carthage.....	2 50
Greentown.....	2 00	Milroy.....	50
Lindley.....	1 00	Terre Haute—W.S'e.....	50
Phlox.....	3 00	Angola.....	6 00
Bluffton.....	4 50	Ashley.....	1 00
Ossian.....	1 50	Pleasant Lake.....	5 50
Decatur.....	2 50	Freemont.....	3 50
Coatesville.....	1 00	Alton.....	2 50
Fairfield.....	12 00	Dana.....	3 00
Amo.....	2 00	Hartford City.....	5 00
Plainfield.....	2 50	Montpelier.....	2 50
Burnett's Creek.....	1 50	Milgrove.....	1 50
Monon.....	4 50	Columbia City.....	1 50
Lochiel.....	3 50	S. Whitley.....	3 00
Boswell.....	1 50	Hillsboro.....	2 50
Talbot.....	2 50	Ireland.....	50
Otterbein.....	1 00	Rickmond—Willard.....	5 00
Albion.....	3 00	“ M. F. Thm.....	5 50
Ligonier.....	2 00	Centerville.....	50
LaOtta.....	1 50	Economy.....	50
Wawaka.....	1 00	N. Manchester.....	4 75
Upland.....	6 00	S. Wabash.....	50
Fairmount.....	9 00	Indianapolis S'th'st.....	1 50
Hadley (Marion).....	6 00	“ North'st.....	2 00
Back Creek.....	1 50	Center.....	50
Oakridge.....	1 00	W. Indianapolis.....	2 00
Deer Creek.....	4 00	Broad Ripple.....	1 00
South Marion.....	5 00	Indianap's Meridian.....	12 00
Marion.....	2 50	Bridgeport.....	1 00
St. Joe.....	1 00	Indianapolis Tarlton.....	1 50
Butler.....	50	Mapleton.....	2 00
Garrett.....	1 00	Central.....	4 00
Auburn.....	5 50	Hope.....	50
Cedar.....	5 50	Petersville.....	2 50
Modoc.....	1 00	Indianapolis—Will'd.....	2 50
Winchester.....	1 50	Bloomington.....	1 00
Loogootee.....	4 50	Petersburg.....	1 87
Shoals.....	3 50	Amoy.....	1 75
Evansville—Central.....	3 50	Vincennes.....	5 50
“ Lamas Co.....	1 00	Mt. Vernon.....	2 00
North Vernon.....	2 00	Red Key.....	1 50
Greensburg.....	8 50	Dunkirk.....	2 00
Nashville.....	2 25	New Castle.....	75
Valparaiso.....	4 00	Spiceland.....	2 50
Rome.....	3 00	Crawfordsville.....	1 00
Hebron.....	2 13	Versailles.....	6 00
Florence.....	50	Florence.....	1 50
Princeton.....	3 00	Madison.....	1 50
Goodland.....	50		
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$461 59</b>		

## Y Dues.

Peru.....	\$ 8 00	Martinsville.....	1 00
S. Bend—Willard.....	3 00	Paragon.....	1 50
Mt. Vernon.....	2 40	Anderson.....	3 00
Goshen.....	8 50	Elwood.....	4 50
Francisville.....	10 50		
Idaville.....	50	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$50 40</b>
S. Marion.....	7 50		

## Receipts.

Balance from second quarter.....	\$ 11 20
Sale record books.....	75
Sale Willard pins, buttons and pictures.....	11 75
Organization.....	10 93
Convention fund.....	50
National life membership L. F. McWhirter.....	1 75
Sale of State minutes.....	1 66
Sale of literature.....	55
State L. T. L. President's expenses to national convention.....	2 00
County dues.....	80
State dues.....	511 99
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$553 88</b>

## Disbursements.

Printing.....	\$ 30 90
Literature.....	9 06
Telegrams.....	3 10
Ida R. Benhame, State Superintendent.....	5 00
L. F. McWhirter, mid-year executive expenses.....	5 25
“ “ expenses for second quarter.....	21 76
“ “ “ for third year.....	19 08
Mary Hadley, mid-year executive expenses.....	5 15
“ “ expenses for third year.....	8 61
“ “ printing for institute work.....	10 00
Mary Balch, mid-year executive expenses.....	2 20
“ “ expenses for third quarter.....	15 05
Mattie O. Cammack, mid-year executive expenses.....	1 00
“ “ expenses for third quarter.....	5 24
“ “ deficit in organization.....	3 04
Amanda T. Whitson, mid-year executive expenses.....	3 50
“ “ money advanced.....	25 05
“ “ “ expenses for second quarter.....	17 78
“ “ “ “ third quarter.....	16 58
Alice Geary, expenses to Central Committee.....	2 20
Mattie O. Cammack, expenses to Central Committee.....	2 25
Deficit in Institute work.....	35 38
L. F. McWhirter, part or appropriation for third quarter.....	10 00
Mary E. Balch, part or appropriation for third quarter.....	35 00
A. T. Whitson, part or appropriation for third quarter.....	13 00
A. T. Whitson, appropriation for first quarter.....	50 00
“ “ “ for second quarter.....	50 00
Clara Sears, Y dues.....	20 21
Helen M. Barker, national dues.....	102 40
Balance.....	26 09
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$553 88</b>

# Counties Having Gained and the Number of Members Gained Over Corresponding Quarter Last Year. (Each 50 Cents Represents One Member.)

Allen.....	\$ 1 00	Marshall.....	1 00
Bartholomew.....	1 00	Martin.....	1 00
Blackford.....	3 00	Miami.....	9 25
Boone.....	1 75	Monroe.....	1 00
Brown (new).....	2 25	Montgomery.....	1 00
Clarke.....	2 50	Morgan.....	5 00
Dearborn.....	6 50	Noble.....	1 50
Decatur.....	3 00	Pike.....	1 87
DeKalb.....	3 00	Porter.....	4 13
Dubois.....	1 50	Posey.....	2 90
Elkhart.....	2 50	Pulaski the same.....	
Floyd.....	25	Putnam.....	2 59
Fulton.....	9 00	Randolph.....	7 50
Gibson.....	2 00	Ripley.....	6 00
Grant.....	14 00	Rush.....	50
Hancock the same.....		Steuben.....	3 50
Hendricks.....	15 00	St. Joseph.....	6 50
Howard.....	2 00	Switzerland.....	2 00
Jefferson.....	1 50	Tippecanoe.....	12 50
Jennings.....	2 00	Vermillion.....	1 00
Johnson.....	1 50	Warren.....	2 00
Knox.....	1 50	Wayne.....	7 00
Lake.....	7 00	Wells.....	3 50
LaPorte.....	5 50	White.....	6 50
Marion.....	9 00		

Number counties that gained last quarter 38; four the same. Number counties that gained this quarter 47; two the same.

# Unions Having Gained and the Number of Members Gained Over Corresponding Quarter Last Year. (Each 50 Cents Represents One Member.)

Hongland the same.....		Alexandria.....	50
Ft. Wayne (Willard).....	2 00	Indianapolis, N. East.....	1 00
Petersville.....	2 50	“ Meridl'n.....	6 00
Lochiel.....	3 00	“ Central.....	1 50
Boswell.....	1 50	“ Willard.....	2 50
Mill Grove.....	1 50	West Indianapolis.....	50
Montpelier.....	2 50	Center the same.....	
Thornton the same.....		Bridgeport.....	1 00
Zionsville.....	1 75	Broad Ripple.....	50
Nashville (new).....	2 25	Bourbon.....	50
Logansport, Central.....	1 00	Argos.....	50
“ W. Side.....	1 00	Shoals.....	1 00
Jeffersonville.....	2 50	Loogootee.....	1 00
Lillian Stevens (col.) same.....		Peru (new).....	7 50
Dillsboro.....	2 50	Amoy.....	1 75
Angola.....	4 00	Peru Y (new).....	8 00
Greensburg.....	3 00	Bloomington.....	1 00
Auburn.....	3 50	Crawfordsville.....	1 00
Garrett.....	1 00	Martinsville the same.....	
Hillsboro.....	1 50	“ Y the same.....	
Ireland.....	1 00	Paragon.....	1 50
Goshen, Y.....	2 50	Paragon Y.....	1 50
Nappanee.....	4 00	Monrovia.....	4 00
Middleburg.....	50	Centerton.....	2 00
Bristol the same.....		North Timber the same.....	
Albany.....	25	Goodland.....	50
Rochester.....	4 50	Albion.....	1 50
Kewanna.....	4 50	La Otta.....	50
Princeton.....	2 00	Tobinsport.....	3 00
Upland.....	1 50	Petersburg.....	1 87
Deer Creek.....	1 50	Valparaiso.....	4 00
Fairmount.....	2 50	Hebron.....	1 13
South Marion.....	4 50	Mt. Vernon.....	1 50
Mary Hadley Union same.....		“ Y (new).....	2 40
S. Marion, Y.....	7 50	Francisville.....	2 50
Western Grove.....	1 50	Greencastle.....	2 59
Greenfield the same.....		Winchester.....	1 00
Coatesville.....	1 00	Cedar.....	5 50
Plainfield.....	2 00	Modoc.....	1 00
Fairfield.....	12 00	Versailles.....	6 00
Amo.....	2 00	Milroy.....	50
Spiceland.....	25	Carthage.....	2 00
New London the same.....		Angola.....	4 50
Lindley.....	1 00	Pleasant Lake.....	1 00
Greentown.....	1 00	S. Bend, Central.....	1 00
Phlox.....	1 00	“ Collfax Ave.....	2 00
Madison.....	1 50	“ Chapin Pk.....	50
Dunkirk.....	50	“ Willard Y.....	3 00
North Vernon.....	2 00	Florence.....	2 00
Franklin.....	1 50	Lafayette.....	8 50
Knox.....	1 50	“ Central.....	3 50
Crown Point.....	1 00	Stockwell.....	50
Hobart (new).....	6 50	Dana.....	1 00
LaPorte.....	3 50	Newburg.....	2 00
Westville.....	1 00	Richmond, Willard.....	2 00
Michigan City.....	1 00	Mary F. Thomas.....	5 50
Anderson.....	5 00	Burnett's Creek.....	1 50
Lapel the same.....		Monon.....	2 00
Elwood Willard the same.....		Idaville, Y.....	50

Number unions that gained last quarter, 102; number unions that gained this quarter, 106.

Most loyally yours for a greater gain next year,

AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

DEAR SISTERS—The third quarter closed in June and the report was ready for the July MESSAGE, but gave place to the report of the Institute work. I hope every member of the W. C. T. U. has read the Institute report very carefully and taken special notice of the many new members enrolled, although we have made a gain of 170 paid members this quarter over the corresponding quarter last year, and we are greatly pleased, yet are we satisfied? Have we done all that could have been done in the collection of dues, both from the old members as well as the new? I have waited with unusual anxiety during the past quarter for the reports to come in, especially from the counties and unions where so many new members were added during the Institutes. Let every officer who reads this report make inquiry and ascertain if every member's dues in your union, new or old, has been collected. If not, special effort should be made at once to assist the Treasurer. Dear local President, much depends upon you as well as the Treasurer. If for any reason your Treasurer can not collect the dues, please appoint some one to assist her. Many a time for the lack of this assistance valuable members have been lost to the union. Jesse Ackerman, our round-the-world missionary, says "the greatest need of every union is a good Treasurer, and urges upon all local unions the importance of securing the best woman in the community as a Treasurer, and next to provide some sort of entertainment for the new members, to interest them." As the national convention comes so much earlier than usual this fall, it will be absolutely necessary for every local and county Treasurer to be very prompt in remitting. Will local Treasurers please remit to county Treasurer by the 15th of

September that your county Treasurer can send her report to the State Treasurer by the 20th. Blanks will be sent to county Treasurers the last week in this month. Please forward at once to the local Treasurers. I am glad to announce that more unions and more counties have gained in membership during the quarter just closed than during the other quarters of the year. Can we not make this quarter go far ahead of the last? I believe Indiana is equal to the occasion. Let everybody work that victory may be ours.

Yours in loyal service,  
A. T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

## Workers' Directory.

Mrs. Allie Anderson is suffering from rheumatism.

Miss Hadley, one week in Clinton county in August.

Mrs. Clara Hoffman President of Missouri W. C. T. U., speaks at Battle Ground August 11.

Mrs. Curtiss has been at work in her own and White county and will attend White county convention August 10.

Mrs. Squiers, visits Winterrowd August 12 and 13, to a temperance picnic. Has a call to Nashville, Brown county and also to Posey county.

Mrs. Cammack, a week in Howard county closing Aug. 13. Visits Island Park 14th and 15th. Spends a week in Wells county closing Aug. 23rd.

Miss Marie Brehm was at Burlington August 6 and 7. Will be at Wabash county convention at North Manchester August 29. At Auburn teachers Institute August 30.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, Indianapolis, will have charge of the W. C. T. U. headquarters at Island Park. Mrs. McWhirter will have charge of program for W. C. T. U. Mrs. Balch will not be well enough to attend. Every white ribboner in the vicinity should pay her 25cents and become a member of the assembly union and attend the annual meeting August 15 for election of officers. These will constitute the program committee for next year. Membership entitles you to a vote and your membership money helps to meet the expenses of the program.

Mr. Allan Balch the husband of our own Mary E. Balch, was called home after a severe illness of a few weeks. Mr. Balch was a civil engineer. In former years he did much of the railroad and bridge building in the Middle States. He was a man of splendid ability. In recent years he has been in ill health. He was a friend to our cause and to our workers. The love and sympathy of our membership has been extended to our beloved comrade in her bereavement.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

### Receipts.

F. T. McWhirter.....	\$ 5 00
Olive P. Tate.....	5 00
Crawfordsville Union.....	10 00
M. R. Sidwell, century pledge.....	3 00
Ella C. Perviance, on memorial.....	5 00
Anna Silver.....	1 00
Grant Company.....	10 00
Caroline Edgerton.....	5 00
Helen Sherley, on memorial.....	10 00
For cattle from farm.....	84 00
For hogs from farm.....	144 47
Monroe Company.....	20 00
Donation of 50 cents from counties to retain Miss Angel teacher through April—Johnson, Hancock \$1; Boone, Bartholomew, Decalb, Vanderburg, Clinton, Noble.....	4 50

### Disbursements.

Cora Angel.....	\$30 00
C. J. Hamers, emergency fund.....	25 00
Eaton & Stanton, seed potatoes and oil.....	8 35
Stationery.....	1 88
E. B. Sudger, farm hand.....	30 25
Schnull & Co., sugar, rice, etc.....	24 40
For animal.....	20 00
Insurance on Insurance building (part payment).....	50 00

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## MY BOY.

Don't send my boy where your girl can't go,  
And say, "There's no danger for boys you know,  
Because they all have their wild oats to sow;"  
There is no more excuse for my boy to be low  
Than your girl. Then please don't tell him so.

Don't send my boy where your girl can't go,  
For a boy or girl sin is sin, you know,  
And my baby boy's hands are as clean and white,  
And his heart as pure as your girl's to-night.

—Unidentified.

Indiana W. C. T. U. convention Marion Oct. 6-10.

National W. C. T. U. convention Seattle Washington October 20-25.

Each union is expected to send 50cts to Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion, to help on conventions expenses. This should be done immediately.

The State Loyal Temperance Legion Convention will be held at Marion October 6-7 in connection with the State W. C. T. U. convention.

The out of State Speakers at our State convention will be Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens National President W. C. T. U., Miss Anna Gordon National Vice President W. C. T. U. and Honorable John G. Woolley.

At Marion the buss lines grant a return trip for 25cts. to delegates. St. cars run to many parts of the city.

Visitors at convention can secure board at \$1.00 per day lodging and three meals.

All dues received before Sept. 25th will be counted in this year.

T. Whitson, Treasurer.

Have you collected all the dues?

Has your Union secured the four additional members asked for?

National Treasures books close nearly a month earlier.

## Read Special Offer for September Only.

To the union sending twelve names and \$3 for THE MESSAGE during September we will give three free subscriptions; to a union sending twenty-four names, \$6, six free subscriptions will be given; to the union whose every member is a subscriber a free subscription to the Union Signal. (Signed) AMANDA T. WHITSON

Delegates to the State convention ask your home ticket agent to have certificates on hand so when you buy your ticket to Marion and pay full fare he can give you a certificate which will entitle you to return at one third regular fare.

Each union is entitled to representation in the annual convention by the president, one delegate at large and one delegate for every twenty regular members whose dues have been paid.

Special rates will be made at hotels and boarding houses at Marion for visiting delegates to our State convention. Be sure and take your son or daughter. A few days in that convention will be of far more value to them than the same number of days in High School or College. How can you expect interest and enthusiasm to be manifested in the cause by those who have only seen a few steady W. C. T. U. workers in their home community. Youth is energetic and enthusiastic and needs to feel the inspiration of a great convention.

Pullman sleeper rate \$14 for double lower berth accommodating two persons from Chicago to Seattle. We hope to have fifteen or more to go in our party; so that a sleeper may be chartered, which will greatly reduce the expense, making it perhaps as low as \$10 for double berth. Those desiring to join the party should write for sleeper reservations so that a car may be chartered.

The party will leave Indianapolis at 4:15 P. M. Oct. 13th via the Big Four for Chicago. From Chicago the party will leave the Chicago Milwaukee and St. Paul station at 10:15 P. M. Oct. 13th arriving at St. Paul at 11:50 A. M. Oct. 14. A stop-over of several hours will be made at St. Paul giving time for visiting the Twin Cities of the North-west and Minnehaha Falls. The Sabbath will be spent in Fargo, South Dakota. The sleeper will remain at the disposal of the party during these stops without additional expense. Apply to your local agents for rates which can be secured at the one fare for the round trip plus \$2.00 from all points. Stop-over privileges allowed west of St. Paul and Missouri river on application to conductors. Indiana delegates and their friends starting from Indianapolis can secure tickets by applying at the Big Four ticket office No. 1 E. Wash. st. Persons who go to Chicago to join our party and have some hours to wait are requested to meet at the Windsor European Hotel, which contains no bar and is where Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon stop when in Chicago. It is situated in the center of the city at 145-153 Dearborn st.

Rates for rooms are from 75cts. to \$1.50 per day.

The excellent equipment and splendid service of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul and the Northern Pacific makes them the choice of the Northern lines running through to the coast. Passing through the greatest cities of the North region St. Paul, Fargo, Bismarck, Helena, Spokane and Tacoma before reaching Seattle; Puget

Sound and vicinity present many attractions. The return trip will give opportunity for seeing an entirely different and equally interesting part of the great West. From Seattle our party will go down over the Northern Pacific to Portland, the largest of the North coast cities. From there over the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company and the Oregon Short Line across the States of Oregon, Idaho and Utah to Ogden. From Ogden to Denver we will cross the States of Utah and Colorado over the Denver & Rio Grande, thus passing through the most picturesque region of the Rockies, with their famous scenery and resorts, through Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Manitou and Pike's Peak near by. From Denver over the Chicago & Rock Island and across some of the richest and most beautiful country of homes in America to Chicago, and from there to Indianapolis over the Big Four line.

Persons desiring further information in regard to the trip address Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, President Indiana W. C. T. U., 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

## Call To Prayer.

Every union is requested to observe a day of prayer for the State convention. On account of the victories of the past and the momentum gained in our work we will this year need special guidance and wisdom in planning for the future. Let us pray for deeper consecration and for a great spiritual uplift such as has never before been experienced in our annual convention. LAELLA F. McWHIRTER, Pres. Ind. W. C. T. U.



The many L. T. L's. of Columbus held a grand picnic at a park June 10th. They used chartered street cars which came from various parts of the city to a central point where they were filled to their fullest capacity with 1200 happy boys and girls. On the sides of the cars were stretched streamers bearing the motto "Saloons Must Go" which not only attracted attention but unconsciously stirred up the biggest kind of a sensation. By the time the cars had reached the park employees of the St. Railway Co. had received instructions to remove the objectionable streamers and hold them as the company would not permit them to be on the cars on the return trip. When interviewed by Mrs. Burt who had made the contract with the Supt. that gentleman said there had been such a storm of protest raised by the business men against the use of the streamers "Saloons Must Go" that the company had decided not to permit their use on the return trip. The saloon keepers were the "business men." The company was so terrorized by them that notwithstanding the contract it would not yield to justice.

The boys and girls improvised banners putting the motto on them which they flaunted from the windows on the return trip and shouted the mottoes and rally cries most vigorously.

A letter from Mrs. Burt to Mrs. Whitson says that nothing has ever aroused our city as that did. The ministers called an indignation meeting at once and from that they began agitation. The W. C. T. U. is growing rapidly and we have taken up Legion work. An Indiana city with 1,000 Loyal Temperance Legioners would consider that it had been doing Legion work.

All members of the State executive committee and others who arrive in Marion on Thursday are expected to take lunch with them and go to the First M. E. Church.

## TO PUGET SOUND AND THE PACIFIC COAST

From Indianapolis and Return \$66.00.

From Chicago and Return for \$61.50.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention will be held at Seattle, Wash., October 20-25. This will be a splendid time of the year to make a trip to the Pacific coast, and we hope many White Ribboners and their friends will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to visit Puget Sound and the Pacific coast region. In order that our Indiana delegates and visitors may make this long trip in one party, we have succeeded, after much effort, in arranging for tickets to be issued, without additional expense, which will take our party to Seattle over the very best lines through the great Northwestern country and returning through the heart of the Rockies. The party will go and return over the following lines:

The Chicago division of the Big Four to Chicago, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul to St. Paul and the Northern Pacific through from St. Paul to Seattle. Returning via Northern Pacific to Portland, Ore., the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company line and Oregon Short Line to Ogden; from there via Denver & Rio Grande through Pueblo, Colorado Springs (Pike's Peak) to Denver. From Denver to Chicago via Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway; from Chicago to Indianapolis over the Big Four line.



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2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

SEPTEMBER, 1899.

### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

#### Attention, Superintendents!

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS—If you remember the band of Superintendents that gathered at the executive asked that their reports be printed previous to State convention and that extra copies be brought to State convention for free distribution. If this be done it will be necessary for your reports to be in the hands of the Secretary more than five days before the opening of the convention. Now, a word to the wise is sufficient, and I am sure our Superintendents are of the wise.

Let county and local Superintendents bear in mind that the State constitution says all reports must be in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days previous to State convention, and if there is a little "hurrying up" all along the line, reports I am sure will come in nicely.

Now do not send in reports to your Secretary as they come from the counties expecting her to compile them (or the printer), but have them in perfect readiness for the annual report, and then "all things shall work together for good." Yours kindly,  
MATTIE O. CAMMACK,  
State Recording Secretary.

#### Press Superintendents.

The people of Indiana are eager and anxious to learn more of the work of the W. C. T. U. and of the progress it is making. The newspapers of the State stand ready with their open columns to help educate the public along all our lines of work. But we must do our part. Now is the time to appoint press Superintendents for next year. Let every union consider this of utmost importance. Many strong temperance adherents tell us that they received the first "arrest of thought" through reading some article, item or even sentence pointed with a temperance truth. Many a woman will read with interest the W. C. T. U. items reports, etc., when she would not think of attending a meeting of the union. The more she reads and hears of the plans and achievements of this great body of women, the greater becomes her respect for the organization itself, and thus gradually creeps in a desire to become "one with it" and "lend a hand."

Keep all knowledge of your work from the newspapers and the public will soon conclude that you have died or gone out of business. Keep your work before the people and you will do good and prosper.

Report blanks have been sent to all the county Superintendents and to local Superintendents where there is no county Superintendent. If any one has been overlooked please notify me at once. Will Presidents of local unions without press Superintendents but where items concerning the W. C. T. U. have appeared (institute write-ups for instance) in the papers, and kindly report to me the number of columns or approximate number published.

The silver star is to be awarded this year for the greatest amount of work accomplished in proportion to the workers. I have been told that Indiana stands a very good chance of securing the prize if she will only report her work. Let us do our best to win it. Faithfully,

1. Name and address of county Superintendent.
2. How many local Superintendents in your county?
3. From how many have you received systematic reports of work accomplished?
4. How many papers published in your county?
5. How many supplied with W. C. T. U. matter?
6. How many daily papers take our items? Also weekly, religious, reform, agricultural and miscellaneous.
7. How many columns of matter furnished? What proportion original?
8. How many press Superintendents take the Union Signal? How many MESSAGE?
9. How many send items to MESSAGE? To Union Signal reporter?
10. How many newspaper offices supplied with Union Signal? MESSAGE?
11. Have you made an effort to carry out the plans adopted for this department this year?
12. Give the efforts used by your Superintendents in public or parlor meetings, by program or otherwise to present our work.

Please in addition to the above report send me a concise account of the work done in your county in this department, omitting nothing that will aid in any way in correctly presenting the status of press work in your county. All reports, blanks and clippings must be in my hands by September 15.

FLORENCE E. VANCE,  
908 E. Walnut St., Frankfort. Sup't.

#### Sunday-School Department.

DEAR COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS—Do you want your name and the work done in your county to appear in the State and National report? Then report to me if possible by the 12th of September. Local Superintendents will report direct to me where there is no county Superintendent. County and local Presidents who have no Superintendents of this department please report all work done in and by your union. I very much desire the name and address of every local and county Superintendent before I make my report. Will you help me in this? Send or bring your pledge chain to the State convention (for I now live in the "convention city"). Get it to me early that we may have it to decorate the church.

#### ITEMS OF REPORT.

1. Total membership of Sunday-schools.
2. Number who have signed the pledge during the year.

3. Total number of pledged members in the Sunday-schools.
  4. Number of family pledges placed in homes.
  5. Number Sunday-schools having pledge rolls of honor.
  6. Number pages temperance literature used. (Include in this papers taken, books in Sabbath-school, libraries added during the year, and all temperance literature circulated).
  7. Number temperance books placed in Sunday-school libraries.
  8. Total number of temperance books in Sunday-school libraries.
  9. Number of Sunday-school temperance concerts during the year; also Sunday-school temperance rallies and mass-meetings.
  10. Number temperance addresses in Sunday-schools.
  11. Number schools having temperance Secretaries.
  12. In what and how many conventions and Institutes has Sunday-school temperance work been presented?
  13. How many and what churches and societies observed the last Universal Sunday?
  14. How much money expended?
  15. How many co-workers secured?
  16. What do you consider the greatest need of this department?
- Let explicit answers be given to the above questions and figures, however small. Give a view of the work in general and all items of interest. I have report blanks which I am sending out. If you do not receive one send request on postal card and one will be sent you.
- Let this be the best report of our department. Yours with that hope,  
ALICE G. GEARY,  
1319 W. 11th St., Marion. State Superintendent.

#### Scientific Temperance.

- Superintendents please answer the following questions:
1. Name of Superintendent.
  2. Number local Superintendents or assistants.
  3. Number teachers.
  4. Number subscriptions to School Physiology Journal.
  5. Number teachers who use other reference books.
  6. Number visits to schools in the interests of the work by Superintendents.
  7. Number visits to Institutes by Superintendents.
  8. Number visits to school or institutes in interest of the work by patrons.
  9. What efforts have been made socially to gain the interest and sympathy of teachers.
  10. County prizes offered.
  11. Local prizes offered.
  12. Number lectures on scientific temperance.
  13. Number entertainments.
  14. Number pages literature distributed.
  15. Number temperance declamations furnished for schools.
  16. Number temperance songs furnished for schools.
  17. Number items furnished the press.
  18. Work in public institute.

Having been so recently appointed to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Ada White, it will be impossible to make the last quarterly report. I have heard from but two of the county Superintendents and will reserve the items they gave for the annual report. Will the county Superintendents please secure their reports from the local Superintendents as early as possible, so that all reports may be made to me by the middle of September. Those wishing blanks send request to me at 1634 Park avenue, Indianapolis.

MARTHA W. BOND.

#### Evangelistic.

DEAR SISTERS—Trusting that you have kept a careful record of the evangelistic work done during the year. I send the following questions that a suitable report maybe presented to our State convention and printed in our annual minutes.

Has your union emphasized the following lines of work outlined for 1899:

Have crusade meetings been held?  
Have the foundations of our work been prominent in public meetings? Those outlined were our sure and only reliance upon the Holy Spirit and the Word of God; the earnest invitation to a personal Christ; the duty of total abstinence; the presentation of the pledge; the convention evangelistic hour from 11 to 12 A. M.; the noontide prayer.

Has rescue work been prominent?  
How many temperance addresses have been given before conventions, or regular meetings, of Christian Endeavor and Epworth League societies?

Did your union observe Sunday, March 5, as evangelistic and woman's Sunday?

How many services were held and with what result?  
Have you made effort to restore the Bible to the public schools?

What work has been done in almshouses?  
Number of gospel temperance meetings held?  
How many in churches?  
How many in prisons and jails?  
How many in penitentiaries?  
How many in almshouses?  
How many in halls?  
How many in cottages?  
How many mothers' meetings?  
How many in school houses?  
How many on ships or in forts?  
How many out-door services?  
How many visits made by union?  
How many conversions?  
How many Bible readings in union?  
How many signatures to pledge?  
How many pages temperance literature distributed?

Please report any evangelistic work done by your union, not included in the above questions.

Please do not in any case give an indefinite answer to a question. For instance, it will not do to answer a question in such words as "some," "not many," "a few," etc. We must have figures. If you are not able to be exact, please give approximate figures. We are sure you will do all in your power to make these reports a success.

MRS. ELLA J. DAVIS,  
Richmond, Ind. State Superintendent.

#### Mothers' Contest.

The Eunice P. Wilson Union, Upland, held a very entertaining and instructive entertainment at the United Brethren Church, Saturday evening, August 12. There were seven contestants, all of which rendered their parts without fault, bringing out that caused effect the license system was getting on our government, the enormous number of our dear boys it was taking to hell every day, and the destruction of our homes, which would otherwise be bright and happy. May God speed the day when saloons will be no more in our land and strong drink will be a thing of the past. The quartet rendered some very fine music for the occasion, which was excellent. The parts were rendered so well it was difficult for the judges to determine who the medal should be awarded to, but after some delay it was given to Mrs. Leora Carder. A collection was taken and the congregation was solicited for new members.

HATTIE E. KIST.

#### State Convention Notes.

Tickets will be sold for Hon. John G. Woolley's lecture on Saturday.

Please send copies of all the programs and other printing used during the year to Mrs. McWhirter for use on the sample literature table at convention.

Every union should urge its President to attend the State convention. We need their presence, and, in order to be fitted for aggressive leadership, they need the inspiration of the convention.

An admission of 25 cents will be charged to the lecture on Saturday evening by Hon. John G. Woolley. A special trolley car will be run from Anderson to Marion to accommodate the people who desire to attend this lecture.

County and local press Superintendents will please announce through the columns of the papers items of interest in regard to the State and National conventions. Extend invitations to all people interested to attend both conventions.

The banners and decorations belonging to your union and your L. T. L. would greatly help to decorate our convention church at Marion. Will you please mark them and bring them with you for the use of the committee. Chairman Mrs. H. A. Davis, 611 South Washington street, Marion.

All county Presidents are expected to be in attendance at the executive committee meeting at convention church in Marion, at 1 P. M., Thursday, October 5. The church will be open all day, so immediately upon your arrival go there with your baggage and take a box of lunch with you for noon. Adjournment will be in time for all to go to places of entertainment.

#### Annual Convention Marion.

For years in the past we have not been so favored with distinguished guests at a State convention as we are to be at Marion.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens our National President and Miss Anna. A. Gordon, our National Vice-president are to be with us. Miss Gordon will address our L. T. L. convention. Hon. John G. Woolley will speak on "Y Night" to young people.

No White Ribboner who can possibly attend can afford to miss this great convention.

#### Chairmen of Marion Convention Committees.

Railroad—Mrs. Etta Tibbitts, corner Sixth and Washington streets.

Entertainment and Reception—Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 S. Branson street.

Sunday Service—Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty, 625 West Fourth street.

Press—Mrs. J. B. Heath, North Branson street.

Finance—Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty.

Decorations—Mrs. H. A. Davis, 611 South Washington street.

Courtesies—Mrs. J. B. Heath, S. Branson.

Music—Miss Bessie Frazier, 712 South Gallatin street.

Pages—Mrs. Mattie Walton, Miss Nellie Shugart.

Ushers—Mrs. Crilly, Bartley, Heath and Havens.

#### To Delegates to the State Convention.

We hope to be able to entertain all delegates to State convention and meet them with open hearts. And not only are the doors of the homes of Marion open, but they are taken entirely off their hinges and stored away during convention week. But dear sisters, there are a few things we want to impress upon your minds—be sure and learn just how many delegates you are entitled to and send names early; also names of alternates. When cards of entertainment are received notify your hostess at once. When you arrive in the "Queen City of the gas belt" if not met at the station go directly to the First M. E. Church, where you will be received "with open arms" and directed to your homes. Be prompt in sending to JULIA OVERMAN, 1802 South Branson Street.

#### County Conventions.

Benton, Otterbein	Sept. 20-21-22.
Blackford, Hartford City	" 6-7
Boone, Lebanon	" 6-7
Carroll, Flora	" 14
Cass, Logansport	" 19-20
Clinton, Rossville	" 19-20
Delaware, Eaton	" 6-7
Elkhart, Nappanee	" 13-14
Fulton, Kewana	
Grant, Upland	Sept. 21-22
Henry, Kennard	" 13
Howard, Kokomo	" 26-27
Johnson, Franklin	" 21-22
Martin, Loogootee	" 20-21
Marion, Indianapolis	
U. B. church 21st st. and Cen. ave.	Sept. 14-15
Newton, Morrocco	" 19-50
Posey	" 4-5
Randolph, near Modoc	" 23
Steuben, Pleasant Lake	" 12-13
St. Joseph, Mishawaka	" 15
Tippecanoe, LaEayette Willard hall	" 12
Union, College Corner	" 20
Wayne, Centreville	" 22
Wells, Bluffton	" 7-8



### Hadley Industrial School.

About twenty-five miles to the southwest of Indianapolis a traveler over the St. Louis division of the Big Four Railroad will notice a large beautiful building, standing on an eminence overlooking farms of native beauty, which show thrift in management. This building is the product and property of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana and is known as Hadley Industrial School for Girls. This building is a monument to the energy of the loyal temperance women who constructed it, and we hope is but the beginning of greater undertakings. As my words are to the owners of this home, you will pardon me for being plain in speech.

Your votes at State convention elect women throughout the State as a board of managers to run this institution. They are not acquainted with the work and do not know what responsibilities they are assuming. They visit the home and see the possibilities that are open to it. Begin to study its needs and receive letters from all parts of our State, claiming admission for the class of girls for whom this house was builded. And alas! their burdens are more than they are able to bear. So much to do, so little to do it with. A critical period in the existence of this school is now at hand. Shall we go forward or beat a retreat? I pause for your answer. It is the old problem of finance that is ever presenting its knotty side to us.

I need hardly remind you that Finance is the foundation of every enterprise. It is the basis on which rests the management of all governments. The great public school system of our nation stands on the rock of Finance. Our churches, libraries and benevolent institutions are dependent on it, and can we expect to be an exception to it to this universal rule? This is a period of great benevolence and many munificent gifts have been received and applied as economically as possible. We hope these unexpected gifts may continue to flow in upon us, that we may enlarge our accommodations so that none need be turned away, and that better service may be given these adopted children. But my dear sister, this is not enough. We should have a sum at command sufficient for running expenses. Our officers should be paid promptly that their interest may not slacken. Repairs are constantly needed. The exposed parts of the windows and door frames; also the gutters around the building need to be repainted. Out buildings are in bad shape and other things might be mentioned which need attention before cold weather approaches. Some plan should be formulated to supply the needed funds. If we could have a sum equal in amount to \$1 per member, we could clothe, educate and train our girls in a creditable manner. This sum might be obtained by contest work or any other plan adopted by the State executive. But decisive measures should be at once adopted. Our school is failing to stand as well as other institutions of similar character do. It is not in as good condition as your board of managers would like it to be; nor can we make it so without funds with which to do it. We now have thirty girls and perhaps three others may be admitted and then we must close the doors to others unless speedy relief comes to us. I have received letters from unions and individuals asking what the plan for systematic giving is, that they may do their part in supporting this school. I have not been able to answer them.

Let us pull together and strive for better methods of work and management. Sincerely yours,  
LUCRETIA HOBART.

### Report Hadley Industrial School for July.

RECEIPTS.	
Guilford, W. C. T. U. on teachers' fund.....	\$ 65
Mrs. R. C. Stalnaker, New York.....	1 00
Martinsville Union on contest plan.....	21 75
Mrs. H. Smock on century pledge.....	1 00
North Vernon Union.....	7 00

DISBURSEMENTS.	
C. J. Hanners, emergency fund.....	\$50 00
Schnull & Co., groceries.....	19 75
May Moon, matron two months.....	30 00
E. B. Gudger, farm hand.....	16 65

REBECCA HESSONG, Treasurer.

DEAR SISTERS OF THE STATE OF INDIANA—I hope you read with much interest the reports of Hadley Industrial School and know just what we are doing. You will see in this issue Martinsville Union sent in \$21.75 from contest plan, the first money received since this plan was adopted at Wabash mid-year executive meeting. I do hope we may hear from other unions following. Quite a number of pledges that were given at Lafayette have not been paid; also century pledges. I do hope I may hear from you soon with a donation for our home, which we are so much interested in. Let us feel in our heart that these girls are our own and will do by them as we do those in our homes. May the Lord bless every effort being made for the success of the work we so much love.

Broad Ripple, Ind. REBECCA HESSONG, Treasurer.

Hadley Industrial School receipts for February:	
Mary Hadley, dividend from Indianapolis National Bank on money deposited.....	\$ 8 38
Flora B. Cox, California.....	2 00
Eunice Furnas, Kentucky.....	2 00
Mary Bush.....	151 00
M. J. Danner.....	5 00
Whitley Co.....	5 00
St. Joseph county pledge.....	10 00
Helen Sherkey on memorial.....	25 00

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Castor bed.....	\$ 4 20
Dried peaches.....	2 12
Cora Angel, teacher.....	15 00
Cut in MESSAGE.....	1 50

RECEIPTS FOR MARCH.

Balance due on LaPorte pledge.....	\$ 4 00
North Manchester Union.....	3 00
Grant county—Hadley Union.....	2 00
Oak Ridge.....	1 00
M. A. Arno, donation.....	5 00

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Cora Angel, teacher.....	\$ 50 00
E. B. Gudgers, farm hand.....	30 00
Schnull & Co., crackers.....	2 03
G. W. Woolsey, circular letters.....	3 00
C. J. Hanners, emergency fund.....	25 00
" " money advanced.....	24 09

### A Fire.

On the morning of August 22d two of the little girls had occasion to arise earlier than usual and casting their eyes in the direction of the cottage discovered it to be on fire. Mrs. Hannars and Mr. Gudger were soon on the spot and with three buckets of water succeeded in extinguishing it on the ground floor; as it was confined to the narrow limits of a closet where it originated, but it had gained access to the roof and spread with rapidity. And as the hour was so early it was not seen by the neighbors until it was beyond control. It was occupied as a wash house and place of storage for small tools used in the garden and on the farm. The cellar was a fine one, being cemented with side troughs for holding the milk. It was well filled with milk, butter and milk utensils at time of burning.

Quite a number of things were rescued from the building, but attention must soon be directed to the well filled barn, hay-stack and two strawstacks, which were in near proximity. Mr. Gudger got on the barn and neighbors by this time were coming in and they took positions on the straw and haystacks and in this position fought the fire. As the burning cinders alighted they threw them off, or stamped them out, thus saving them from the flames. There was a small insurance on the cottage and to-day members of the board are to meet the officers of the company for adjustment. I feel sure they will press their claim and get all that is possible out of it. The loss of this building will necessitate the building of a laundry and milk-cellar, at as early a date as possible as no adequate room for either laundry or milk; is in existence in the dwelling-house.

L. HOBART.

### Hadley Industrial School, Attention!

We are living in a time of phenomenal benevolence when men and women are seeing that eleemosynary institutions live to do good and that when they have a surplus of this world's goods the best thing to do with it is to give it where it may be a perpetual blessing.

Last year the known value of these benefactions exceeded the grand sum of \$45,000,000 and now during the first half of the present year benefactions amounting to \$37,500,000 have been given in amounts not less than \$5,000.

The most noteworthy gift ever given to the cause of education was that of Mrs. Leland Stanford who on May 31 last deeded to Stanford university the bulk of all her wealth consisting of stocks and real estate. This property had a face and possibly a future value of \$38,000,000 and a present cash market value of at least \$15,000,000.

Our people are quick to see that institutions will live when they are gone. And they wish to place their funds where they will swell the tide of intelligence, usefulness and happiness of others.

Now, in order to turn the attention of men like Uncle Addison Hadley, Mr. Carmack and others to our home, we must show our own interest in it by evening up to the help of those who have begun this work. Let no woman of the W. C. T. U. feel that she is a worker unless her testimony comes in cash.

The Methodists of the South intend to raise a thank-offering for the new century of \$1,500,000. What will Indiana do for Hadley?

C. H. VAWTER.

DEAR WHITE RIBBONS—May we have space to tell something of the work in Bartholomew county. We have printed programs for one meeting during each month of the year. Those unions who have two meetings in a month supply the other programs. We have the same programs used in every union in the county, so our work is universal.

In the spring we held a very interesting and instructive Normal Institute at Columbus. Two members were added at Institute. Professor A. J. Bigney of Moores Hill College was secured by the county W. C. T. U. to present the subject of Scientific Temperance at our annual county teachers' Institute. He is excellent in science and a fine instructor. His work was enthusiastically received and created much interest among the teachers.

The W. C. T. U. was well represented at our farmers' fair. This fair is held during three days of each year. The W. C. T. U. had a rest room there. It was beautifully decorated with bunting and banners. In large letters at the top of the front were the words "Rest Room," beneath which hung suspended a large banner bearing the words "Woman's Christian Temperance Union, for God, Home and Humanity;" under this hung another banner bearing the words "Saloons Must Go." In another place hung a banner of flags which spelled the word "Welcome."

Our room contained a couch, chairs, seats, plenty of cushions and a stand. At the back of the room was a banner containing the words "For God and Home and Native Land." We also had ice water part of the time, but water becoming scarce we could not get it all the time. We had wash basin, soap and towels, comb and clothes brush. We distributed 3,412 pages of literature. We also checked baskets and made some money for our work.

As they always have a program for each day during these fairs, we were given charge of children's hour and temperance hour. During the children's hour we held a medal contest, interspersed by other recitations and music. Ray Markland of Columbus won the medal. During temperance hour we had an address by Rev. Paul Grider, pastor of Hope Moravian Church.

We are now arranging to hold our county convention of the W. C. T. U. on September 14 at Columbus. Yours in the work,  
MRS. JENNIE GUFFEY, County President.

### Clinton County Song.

THE TEMPERANCE VICTORY 1900.

Tune—"Marching Through Georgia."

Who'll win the temperance banner in the year of noughty nought,  
We're sure we think some union in Clinton county ought,  
But which one of the earnest eight and what the battle fought,  
That shall give us the victory.

CHORUS—You'll see, you'll see, the W. C. T. U.  
Will show the world what womanhood can do,  
With God and home and native land kept ever in our view,  
God will give us the victory.

Shall Frankfort, Manson, Rossville or Farmer's Chapel win—  
Or Mulberry or Lillian S. or Jefferson be in,  
Or Sedalia be the one to down the greatest sin,  
That shall give us the victory.

'Tis not the one who on fame's scroll  
Shall write her name above,  
'Tis not the one to win applause is ever on the move,  
But 'tis the one whose battles all are fought in faith and love,  
To whom God gives the victory.

Then let us work in faith and love and the saloon will go;  
Our home and land the great destroyer never more shall know,  
And we shall have a peaceful earth—a heaven here below,  
When God gives us the victory.

### Indiana's Plan of Reporting.

Read at Henry County Institute.

The plan formulated by the officers of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union is ideal but none the less practical. It is so simple yet so perfect in all its details that it seems a little child might comprehend. Yet we need all the parts to work in harmony. In a piece of machinery if one wheel fails to do its work it throws the other parts out of balance and imperfect work is done. This plan has a reflex action. The State Superintendent is dependent on the county and local Superintendent and the local Superintendent is dependent on the county and State. Neither can do and get her work done properly without the other. It is the same with the Secretaries and Treasurers. If any one officer fails to report or delays reporting after the specified time the higher officers come up lame in their reports. Only by each member doing just what she is elected to do in the specified time can this beautiful system be carried out. Each local officer and Superintendent should keep an itemized account of all work done, with the date, in a book provided for that purpose. Nothing should be considered too insignificant to report. The grand total of our work is made up of the little things done by the individual members. Only a few can be leaders and do the greater things, and they could do but little if the details were not planned and carried out by the people never heard of outside of their own counties. Suppose a splendid meeting were planned and carried to a successful issue and then not reported, it would only accomplish half its mission. It needs to be written about and talked about that people may be stirred up and thought arrested. It is just as important to report the handing out of a tract as it is that of the splendid meeting, and it may prove the greater thing in its far-reaching results. For we know not which will prosper, this or that, or whether both shall be alike fruitful. Officers, especially the corresponding secretary and the treasurer should be provided with the books which the State has prepared for their respective offices. As these books contain questions which correspond with those on the quarterly report blank. If they are well kept the quarterly report can be made out and forwarded without trouble or delay. So many reports are forwarded to the superior officer and only partially made out. This comes in part from the fact that the necessary information has not been kept on record and in part from neglect to answer all the questions in some way. All should be answered if only by a "0" or, "I don't know," but if the record is well kept the one reporting will know and not have to try to refresh her memory or guess at the answer.

We can not emphasize too strongly the necessity of promptness in reporting. For instance take the close of the present quarter and the treasurers report. The books of the state treasurer close Sept. 25. Reports or money sent in after that date can not be counted in this year's work and sent to the National in time to help us save the banner for Indiana and you know that is the goal Indiana's officers are striving for and the membership should not be one whit behind its leaders in the effort to increase.

Only an average of three or four to each union above the membership of last year will bring Indiana gloriously to the front. Thus the treasurer should be instant in season and out of season, (if it ever is out of season to collect membership fees that are due) hoping thereby to make the desired increase ready to report on time. What applies to the Treasurer applies equally to the Secretaries and Superintendents, each one reporting on the proper blanks that are always furnished by the 15th of December, March, June and September that the county officer may have ten days to get her report into the State. Some workers never give themselves any margin of time for unexpected emergencies, and when these come their report is sent out too late. In the face of all that have been said I have repeatedly known of unions that waited until State convention to send in their dues, and then were not satisfied that they were not portorted.  
MARY PAINTER, Spiceland.



## FIELD NOTES.

Make your list equal to your membership.

Do your county officers take THE MESSAGE?

Monon union will soon hold a matrons' contest.

Miss Grace Chandler is the newly-elected President of the Peru Y.

Hon. John G. Woolley spoke to 3,000 people at the temperance rally in Union county.

Have you renewed your subscription to THE MESSAGE? If not please do so at once.

Make special effort to have THE MESSAGE go to every local officer, including the Superintendents.

Has any union failed to collect all the dues? Then do so and remit to the State Treasurer at once.

Indianapolis, Mapleton and West Indianapolis unions are actively engaged in a membership contest.

One dollar (\$1) honorary membership fee will pay for four subscriptions to THE MESSAGE. Two dollars will pay for eight and \$3 for an entire club of twelve.

The membership contest given by the Peru Y was a magnificent success, thirteen active and seven honorary members gained. Every one jubilant over their success.

We call especial attention to our latest offer to the unions sending in a club of twelve for THE MESSAGE. This offer holds good for the month of September only.

Mrs. Sayers, President Clinton county, is bereaved by the death of her loved sister. The White Ribboners extend to her and the family their deepest sympathies.

County Treasurers, please urge every union in your county to pay dues this quarter. Will not every local Treasurer respond to this call and help the county Treasurer make this her best quarterly report.

Blanks were sent to the county Treasurers August 26 and should be in the hands of the local Treasurers by the first of September. If local Treasurers have not received theirs please write for them at once.

Fairmount reports a membership contest held with very gratifying results. Seventeen active and seven honorary members were added to their union. Reception to the new members to be given in the new future.

One of the district Superintendents of Kansas has been appealing to her district workers to attend the school meetings and elect officers who do not use tobacco, and will hire teachers that neither drink nor use tobacco.

Has any union failed to secure the four new members asked for? If so can you not as a union set apart the next two or three days for this special work and send dues to your county Treasurer by the 15th of September.

To assist in securing the September club, sample copies of THE MESSAGE have been sent into every union. Three free subscriptions to be given for a club of twelve and \$3. This offer is for September only. No union can afford to miss securing the club.

To MY WHITE RIBBON SISTERS and co-workers who have written me their remembrance and sympathy in my recent sorrow, I return thanks and pray God's blessing on them I have found the promises sure and sufficient in his name.

MARY E. BALCH.

Send THE MESSAGE into the homes of those whom you wish to become interested. One State has almost double the number of subscribers to their State paper that they have members, believing it to be the best literature they can secure for distribution.

Miss Mary Hadly gave an entertaining lecture at Sedalia August 29. She was greeted with a large audience, the church being decorated with beautiful flowers. She gave an interesting talk on what the W. C. T. U. did throughout the world; also gave a brief talk on the actual cost of the saloons. Miss Hadly is a bright and intelligent lady. We wish her success and hope to have her with us again in the near future.

A parlor meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held recently at the residence of Mrs. C. F. Fassnacht, President of the Chapin Park Union, South Bend, and was largely attended. A very interesting program was rendered. A paper on Christian citizenship was read by Mrs. Alex Staples. She stated concisely the duty of every true citizen and argued that the church should stand back of the temperance cause and that the ballot should be used to put men into power who will be an honor to their office. A paper on narcotics by Mrs. Emil Ryer stating the harmful influence of the cigarette habit and the harmful effects of nicotine was read. Both papers were carefully prepared and were well received. A recitation by Miss Nellie Hardy, a song by Mrs. Wilde accompanied on the guitar by Mrs. Barry and a piano solo by Mrs. Frank Freyermith completed the program. Judging from the hearty applause each number was well received. Mrs. Barry rendered guitar solos during the evening. After the program a social time was indulged in and dainty refreshments were served.

The President of the Farmers' Chapel Union is also Superintendent of the Sunday-school at that place. The combination works fine.

Angola union is determined that a saloon shall not be granted admission to Angola, which is the only county seat town where there is not a saloon or a saloon drug store.

Miss Kate Lebrick of Sims, Grant county, writes they will work for the four new members asked for, besides the paid membership, equaling the paid membership of last year.

Upland union held a very successful suffrage contest August 12. This union paid dues for twelve more members last quarter than during the corresponding quarter last year.

Poplar Bluff Mission has a temperance Mayor who fought his fight under the bow of White Ribbon. He was solicited to remove it but refused saying that if elected he expected to do his duty.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires organized a Y union at Monrovia with fourteen members. She attended the Posey county convention and will remain for work in that county until the time for the State convention.

White county convention was held at Chalmers. Mrs. S. D. Curtis of Lafayette gave valuable assistance during the convention. Chalmers union held a contest and will send delegates to the State convention.

On page 18 of the State minutes please notice that three premiums have been offered for the first, second and third largest club for THE MESSAGE. Now look up the club list already sent. Take advantage of the special September offer and secure one of these prizes.

Delaware, Blackford and Wells counties will hold the incountry conventions on the 6th, 7th and 8th of this month. We are assured that many new members will be added to their unions. Grant county also secures her for the convention to be held in Upland, September 21.

Laketon, a newly organized union of thirteen members, reports work going on nicely. They are having a tussle with a saloon and believe they will come off victorious. They also report a fully organized L. T. L. doing good work. Has your union an L. T. L.? If not, why not? Children can be trained for voters much more easily than grown-up voters can be changed.

Clinton county is to have Miss Hadley for a week's work. Clinton county convention will be held September 21 at Rossville. The county President has requested all the delegates to provide themselves with the noon lunch so the ladies may have the full benefit of the convention, and not stay at home to cook the dinner. Our beloved State President, Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, will be with us.

EMMA SAYLER.

Miss Mary Hadley is in Clinton county for a week's work. She reports a new union of sixteen members organized at Kirklint, and sends a club for THE MESSAGE equal to their membership. Several names given for a union in another place, but on account of another engagement could not stay to organize. Frankfort Union decided to take up the membership contest work. Miss Hadley spoke one evening at Sedalia, adding several new members.

The ladies of the Edwardsport and Freelandville unions had a meeting and picnic at Westphalia. The following county officers were present: Mrs. Arrie F. Polk, President; Mrs. J. T. McJamsey, Treasurer and Mrs. Nellie Virtue, Corresponding Secretary. We had talks from the members and an experience meeting on the subject "Why I Became a White Ribboner." Miss Hilda Reeves gave us a splendid recitation. After the meeting a bountiful supper was spread, even to ice tea and ice cream. We secured one new member and several signers to the pledge. Knox county is arranging to have a booth at the fair and distribute literature and check parcels. NELLIE VIRTUE CHAMBERS, Co. Cor. Sec.

The saintly Miss Frances Ridley Havergal literally lived and moved in the Word of God. It was her constant solace, delight and inspiration. It is related of her that on the last day of her life she asked a friend to read to her the forty-second chapter of Isaiah. When the friend read the sixth verse, "I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee," Miss Havergal stopped her. "Called — held — kept — used," she whispered. "Well I will just go home on that." And she did "go home on that," as on a celestial chariot, and the home-going was a triumph, with an abundant entrance into the city of God. What word of God have you to go home on?

The W. C. T. U. of Frankfort held a special meeting in the interest of the franchise department and the following program was rendered: Song; Bible lesson and talk from notes of Mrs. Hoffman's address at Battle Ground, Mrs. Stevenson; prayer, Mrs. Boyer; paper, Franchise, Mrs. Frank Hinds; selection, "Giving the Ballot to the Mothers," W. C. T. U. ladies' chorus; reading, "Why I Want to Vote," Mrs. Clara Fortune; piano solo, Mrs. Florence Vance; paper, "Enfranchisement of Indiana Women," Mrs. Barricklow; responsive reading, Franchise, Mrs. Barricklow and Mrs. Condon; selection, "When Mothers Vote as Well as Pray," W. C. T. U. ladies' chorus; prayer, Mrs. Emma Saylor. Honorary members and general public invited.

## Resolution.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to sadly bereave the family of Sister Workman, superintendent of "Flower Mission Work" of South-East, W. C. T. U., by suddenly calling their loved one home to the Father's home above.

Resolved, That we extend them the most hearty sympathy of our W. C. T. U. Union, with the assurance that we mourn with them in their loss, and as a sister can help a sister, we feel the weight of their sorrow.

Mrs. E. W. LOOMIS, President.  
Mrs. T. N. BRYAN, Secretary.

The W. C. T. U. of Henry county held a Normal Institute at Greensboro, August 11. Though off of schedule time, the meeting was none the less interesting and instructive. The attendance was very good when we take into consideration the fact that the county fair was being held a few miles away. Many voters were present all day and listened earnestly to the discussion of plans and methods relating to our work, as well as to the papers and talks on subjects relating to the welfare of the people at large. Among other subjects woman's responsibility for the saloon and man's responsibility for the saloon were very thoroughly discussed, and many truths were uttered that we hope may bring forth fruit. Mrs. McWhirter was with us all day and evening and aided much by her larger knowledge of people and events, to the interest and instruction of the day. At night Mrs. McWhirter gave one of her rousing addresses to an interested audience. Taken altogether it was a day Greensboro will long remember.

## In Memoriam.

Mrs. Belle D'e Bruler President Hillsboro Union and Treasurer Dubois county, died Saturday morning August 26 after a years great suffering.

On March 2 '99 Death visited Freelandville Union and called from our midst one of our most faithful members Mrs. Lena Chambers. At the time of her death she was corresponding secretary of the Local Union and Superintendent of Purity of the county. She was one of pure mind and lived to help make others better and while we mourn her loss, Heaven has gained another angel at the throne and we are left to emulate her goodness.

In the death of Mrs. Inez H. Kessinger, wife of Hon. Clarence B. Kessinger, Vincennes lost one of her ablest workers, not only in the W. C. T. U., but in church and charity work as well. Mrs. Kessinger at the time of her death was president of the Vincennes union. She was a woman of fine intellectual powers, always cheerful and ever ready to do good deeds. She was loyal to the cause of Temperance and everything that is right. Long will her sweet, sunny life be as a beacon light to those left behind. She made many a heart beat gladder and helped lift many a burden and was ready when her summons came to go home to heaven.

The Jeffersonville union has been bereaved during the past year by the promotion of three efficient members.

Our mother in Israel, Mrs. Elizabeth G. Zineck, fell asleep in Jesus suddenly, on her 87th birthday, September 13 1898.

Mrs. Rhoda Cade Hughbanks, was promoted in the prime of life, her life here was one of active christian services, she was called higher January 5th. 1899.

Mrs. Emily L. Bass, after months of intense suffering, received her promotion July 20, 1899. She was our treasurer for fifteen years, an eager worker, keenly conscientious, faithful in all things—even unto death. "They shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels".

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Only two pennies a week, dear sisters,  
Scarcely two pennies a week  
'Twill cost you to join us, sisters dear,  
Then come and go with us, you need not fear.

Will you help us to build this beautiful temple,  
Of gold and silver and precious stones?  
No wood, no hay, no stubble have we,  
But Christ the Rock, who made us free.

For a foundation we have the prophets of old,  
Building material, precious stones, silver and gold;  
We want no wood or hay or stubble,  
They only deceive us—they are a mere bubble.

We want noble women whose hearts are strong,  
Who are willing to push this great work along;  
We want noble men who are willing to send  
This temperance gospel to this great world's end.

We want all who will to come and go along,  
And help us to swell this temperance throng;  
We want old and young and all we would seek,  
Because it will only cost you two pennies a week.

Sectarian names among us are unknown,  
Because in this "Union" our hearts beat as one;  
We are banded together to work for God  
And point fallen humanity to the heavenly road.

We care not for color or shade or hue,  
We want men and women with hearts strong and true  
Who will lift the temperance banner high  
Until its echo shall reach the sky.

We will carry this work from shore to shore,  
From State to State, from door to door,  
From nation to nation, this wide world o'er,  
Until the saloon shall be no more.

O ministers of God we call your attention,  
And ask you to be with us in every convention;  
Go tell it, go sing it, go spread it abroad,  
That temperance reform is a message of God.

We plead with the Mayor and city officials  
To help us to banish this curse from our land—  
It's destroying the lives of the cream of this nation  
While grief-stricken fathers and mothers go down to their graves.

And many fair daughters are ensnared therein  
To lead a life of shame and sin.

You ask what we've done? The work is so great I'm sure  
I can't tell.  
Many things have been done and done so well,  
That my heart doth rejoice and my soul is made glad at  
the thought  
Of the good work these noble women have wrought.

They are traveling now all over this land,  
And the good work they are doing surely is grand;  
They are forming unions and L. T. L.'s  
And all the churches are ringing their bells  
To sound the glad tidings throughout this land,  
Of this woman's Christian temperance land.

In the *Signal* and *MESSAGE* you may learn what we are  
doing,  
Also the sin of intemperance that whisky is brewing;  
But the most important of all you know  
Will be in the end—the saloon must go.  
Wawasee, Ind. —By Mrs. JOSEPHINE WOODS.

## ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The Marion Convention was the largest State meeting of the W. C. T. U. ever held in the United States. Our National President, Mrs. L. M. W. Stevens, is the authority for this statement. She also said it was the largest convention she had ever seen outside of the National. There were three hundred and ninety-two delegates entitled to votes, one hundred and twenty more than voted last year. The number might have been very much larger. Those whose names had not been recorded on the credential blanks up to the time of the reading of the report of the credentials committee, were debarred from voting by the decision of the convention. While the M. E. church in which the convention was held, was the largest building to be had, it was wholly inadequate to contain the crowds that wished to attend, and at times there was scarcely room for the delegates. Once at the beginning of a session, a number of women were noticed standing in the aisles, and the Chairman requested that all delegates be seated. The reply came quickly; "Madam President, we can't until we get somewhere to sit." Matters were helped by sending several county delegations to the choir loft.

It is impossible to put into "cold type" the wonderful enthusiasm and holy zeal for the cause that was manifested. It is simply indescribable. The decorations were said to be the most beautiful and tastefully arranged ever seen at an Indiana convention. Flags and banners were everywhere, while potted plants and palms added a touch of summer green. A floral design representing a white bow stood on one of the tables on the platforms. Several charts showing the work of the Sabbath-observance department had been placed on exhibition by the Superintendent, Mrs. Hattie Holler. Seven hundred and seventy-seven feet of newspaper clippings which had been collected by the press workers and sent to the State superintendent, were festooned around the walls, and the Sunday School pledge card chain containing many hundreds of cards was used in the same manner. The motto of

the Board of State Superintendents was a prominent feature of the decorations. It was a strip of muslin on which was artistically painted in letters large enough to be easily read from the farthest corner: "Make a Chain; for the land is full of Bloody Crimes." Underneath was a chain of six links, each link was of a different color, representing the six main divisions of the departments. An expression of tenderness and love might have been noticed in the faces of the women as their eyes rested on the beautiful white ribbon star spangled banner, which means so much to them. Two other national banners were also to be seen. As it is usual at our convention, the music was very fine. Our Mrs. Studebaker won fresh laurels for herself, and the tender sweetness with which she sang was an inspiration to the weary workers.

The newspapers were very kind. They published detailed reports of the convention, and condensed reports of officers and superintendents. They had much to say in praise of our beautiful President and her many good qualities of mind and heart. The other officers were also recognized as women of more than ordinary mental force and moral courage.

The hearty cordial welcome extended by Mrs. Cammack on behalf of the four hundred white ribboners of Grant county and the churches of Marion was greatly appreciated. The President's address was a masterly production, and we would that every Christian woman and man too could have heard it. The Treasurer's report showed a balance in the treasury of \$335.92. An increase of nine hundred and forty-six members has been made this year, insuring Indiana a place on benefit night at the national. A telegram from the National Treasurer announced that Indiana is ahead in the contest for the banner, but that twenty-one more members were needed to secure it. Twenty-two members were pledged in a few moments by the delegates and their dues paid. Miss Anna Gordon arrived Friday morning, and was in the convention much of the time. She captured the hearts of the people by storm. Everyone loves Anna Gordon. Her address on Friday evening was of great interest, as she told of the purpose and plans of the L. T. L., and what it has accomplished. She made a touching appeal to help save the children.

The annual address of James Gipe the State President of the L. T. L., would have done credit to a much older person. He is a boy of whom Indiana white ribboners are justly proud. He was presented by Mrs. Balch, Superintendent of the Medal Contest department, with a diploma for having won all the four medals in the W. C. T. U. course. To illustrate the relationship between the W. C. T. U. and the L. T. L., Anna Gordon proposed the idea of a "living picture." The State President and her son; the State President of the L. T. L. and his mother, all delegates, were called to stand together on the platform. Some one placed dear Anna Gordon in the middle and then the picture was complete. At the close of the meeting the large audience pressed forward to take the hand of Miss Gordon and the others. The L. T. L. convention Saturday morning was full of interest. Miss Gordon explained more fully the L. T. L. work, and spoke eloquently for the encouragement of the young people. Allen county received the L. T. L. banners. Fort Wayne has five legions with a membership of three hundred and fifty-five. Mrs. Drake of that city spoke of the work of the anti-cigarette League, and Mrs. Haupt, of Wabash, told of the L. T. L. chain; which is a petition against the use of the face and figure of any woman for the purpose of advertising tobacco, cigarettes, etc. "Baby" Squiers, recited very effectively, and Mrs. Studebaker, entertained the convention with song. Kokomo received the L. T. L. banner for having paid the most dues.

Nearly all of the ministers of the city were introduced to the W. C. T. U. convention, most of them being on the platform at one time. They all responded with such hearty words of sympathy and encouragement as made the heart glad. H. S. Bonsib, was also introduced. The Grant county Superintendent of the schools, Mr. Alex Thomas, is a noble young man and an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. Think what this means. He also greeted the convention from the platform.

The plan of work committee recommended the following plan for the maintenance of the Hadley Industrial School: A committee to be appointed by the chair to make estimates of the funds needed for next year, make assessments on unions in ratio of membership and send the proceeds to the Hadley Home Board quarterly. Also endorsed the stirring campaign. The report was adopted. Between \$300 and \$400 were raised by subscriptions in a short time, toward the new building at Hadley, to replace the one recently

destroyed by fire.

The officers were all re-elected by splendid majorities, and Miss Clara Sears was again chosen to lead the Ys. Mrs. K. F. A. Straw was elected L. T. L. Secretary. The majorities for the officers were nearly all larger than the entire vote at last convention. The National President, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, arrived during the election of officers. She was escorted to the platform and introduced to the convention by Mrs. Eunice Wilson, President of Grant County, who presided during the election of officers. Tippecanoe county delegation presented Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon with roses, also the general officers of the State. Mrs. Holler was also presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses by Mrs. Travis on behalf of the county Superintendents of the Sabbath Observance department. Wonderful progress has been made along nearly all lines of department work this year. Too much cannot be said in appreciation of the work of Miss Clara Sears in her devotion to the Y. work. She has planned largely and systematically in a way that must bring success. The program on Y. night was said to be the best ever arranged and carried out by young women. The church could not contain the crowds that came to hear Hon. John G. Wooley, and an overflow meeting was arranged for in the Christian Temple across the street. Mr. Wooley's speech was in subject very much the same as the one he delivered at the La Fayette convention, but was none the less interesting. He raised a laugh at the very beginning by addressing his audience as "Fellow citizens—and women." He was frequently interrupted by enthusiastic applause. On Sunday, all the pulpits of the city were filled by white ribboners. The convention church was not half large enough to contain the crowds who desired to hear Mrs. Stevens on Sunday afternoon, and after every available foot of space inside had been occupied, a large crowd remained outside. Miss Gordon was called on to address the overflow meeting at the Christian Temple. Mrs. Stevens took for her subject, the success of prohibition in Maine, and was listened to with almost breathless attention. At the close of her address she made an earnest appeal for members. Miss Georgiana Moser was called to the platform and pleaded earnestly with young women to enlist in this great work. One hundred new members were secured for Grant county. The white ribbon bows were tied by Miss Anna Gordon, and pinned on by Mrs. Stevens, making them doubly precious to the recipient.

Marion is a wide open saloon town, but one Sunday all the saloons were closed by order of the Mayor. This was done out of respect for the city's guests. Mrs. S. D. Curtis addressed the members of the Y. M. C. A. on the subject of purity. Her talk was much appreciated by the young men, and quite a number of them signed the white cross pledge. An effort was made to add a new department to the already long list, to be called the department of Conventional Dress, but it was defeated. The motion to amend the constitution so that State Superintendents may become a part of the executive committee was lost by a vote of eight for, and one hundred and thirty-nine against. Indiana delegates to the National Convention are authorized to invite the National to Indianapolis in 1900.

Monday night was given to the State Superintendents, who furnished the program. Each superintendent was given the opportunity to speak for her department, and each wore on her shoulder a beautiful bow of ribbon of the color of her division. All had seats on the platform. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, made the address for the Legal division. It was full of "sparkling wit and keenest sarcasm," but solid truth all the way. Mrs. Stanley seems to possess a peculiar knack of being able to reach peoples' pockets and keep them good natured at the same time. She was twice given the opportunity to exercise her talent in this line. In many ways has this convention been among the best. May its influence go on and on stimulating to greater and better endeavor.

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

DEAR MESSAGE—To you I send our message of joy. Pt. Isabelle union through the efforts of our treasurer, Mrs. Salyers, has gained ten new members, thus helping keep that banner in Indiana and giving us a free lecture from one of the state workers. While we are rejoiced that so many women have joined our ranks, we still have room for more. Would like some plan to get the young women in the union. We feel the need of them and we think they would be better fitted for the duties of life if they would unite with us, helping fight the monster evils.

Mrs. EMMA J. McMANAMAN.



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#### Convention Notes.

Four hundred delegates badges provided and not one to spare!

Mrs. Denny was detained in Colorado by the illness of her daughter.

The Recording Secretary has a fine reputation as an organizer and lecturer.

Our National President and Vice-president were a great inspiration to our convention.

No convention ever had more pleasant, smiling faced delegates than the Marion convention.

Our Superintendents of departments excel each in her own especial field, and we are all justly proud of them.

The convention did not arrange to bring any foreign workers into the field but to depend on our own workers.

The Vice-president is a very helpful person and is greatly esteemed by the membership, but is best known in her department the Normal Institutes.

The evening meetings were so largely attended that overflow meetings were an absolute necessity. They were held in the Christian Temple across the way.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins was greatly missed in the convention. She will join Indiana at South Dakota where she has been resting, and go on with the delegates to Seattle.

We predict that Mrs. Eunice Wilson, Fairmount, Grant county, who presided during the election will some day be president of Indiana, she is greatly admired by the women.

No convention ever was blessed with more efficient local committees than the Marion convention. They have the hearty appreciation and thanks of every Indiana White Ribboner.

One-thousand copies of our minutes ordered for next year. The workers and local unions should order at once. Fifteen cents a copy if sent by mail, ten cents if you pay express charges.

Miss Georgiana Moser, Loogootee, our successful literature superintendent will enter the State matrimony October 19th. The sad part of it is that she is to make her home in the far west Mrs. Ella Angers Upton will take her place.

Rapid writing and over hours seldom improves penmanship but the secretaries are still retained to blot their paper and answer correspondence by return mail as heretofore. They are growing in years if not in grace and proficiency and some day will be superannuated.

It is probable the treasurer has a life term if she will accept, for the women feel so secure in the thought of no debt to harass them while she has the care of their funds that they will not think of a change. And all love and respect her for her ability and faithfulness.

Indiana has a president that stands second to none in the nation. She not only presides and walks at the head of the procession but leads in advanced thought and plans and has the confidence of her followers. Her recommendations for the coming year are very fine indeed.

We have an excellent corps of evangelists, led by Mrs. E. M. Houghton, of Richmond and we wish that each one of them might be kept constantly busy all the year. Correspond directly with them for dates and terms. You will find their names and post-office in the minutes.

A brother wearing a star on his coat reported to a sister with a white ribbon bow on her dress this bit of gossip: a saloonist inquired "How long is this women's business to last, if it has come to stay I must find some other place." Well my opinion is it will last until they all will find some other place, better places we trust.

### Superintendents of Departments.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

#### The Y Conference.

Delegates to the Y. Conference were called to order at 7:30 the morning of the 7th, State Secretary, Miss Sears, in the chair. Miss Zella Miller of Martinsville, President of the Y., acted as Secretary. Scripture reading part of the 25th Psalm, prayer Mrs. Amanda Kauffman of Goshen, minutes of Lafayette conference read and adopted, talk by State Secretary about the department of Anti-gambling, plan of work and a state program were discussed. The one Miss Sears presented was adopted for uniform work and study over the state and a thousand ordered printed and sent to president of Unions and Y. branches so each member can have one. Canteen in army or army saloon was discussed and it was recommended that every girl frown on the drinking custom and use her influence to help the boys.

Four Quarterly Y. Conferences were recommended in plan of work, to be held during the coming year, the State Secretary making the division of the state and calling such a meeting when it seems advisable, carried, twenty-two responded at roll call. Prayer by Mrs. Flowers of Shelbyville. Adjourned.

Saturday night at 7:30 those who took part on the program passed up the crowded aisle of the church and began promptly on time. Mrs. George W. Prutsman, of Anderson, was introduced and read for the Scripture lesson the 23rd Psalm, followed by prayer offered by Miss Sears. The Eureka Quartet Club of Upland furnished a selection and was heartily encored. Miss Elsie Spry of Marion, welcomed the Y's. to their beautiful homes the churches and the city. Miss Ethel McWhirter of Indianapolis our dear president's daughter, a young lady we are so fond of, responded to Miss Spry's beautiful welcome in her happy and cherry style and presented the sentiments of the guests in the city.

Miss Sears awarded the Y. banner to Goshen again, because they had made the greatest gain in membership this year. Mrs. Kauffman responded with a joyous tone because they could have their loved banner back again. Miss Abbie E. Bennett of Anderson then favored the audience with a beautiful solo, "Come Unto Me." The hour had arrived when Hon. John G. Wooley was to be introduced by the State Y. Secretary. What an honor to the Y's. of Indiana to have such a speaker and if we would profit by his counsel all the young men and boys who heard his voice would cast their first vote for prohibition and the girls and young ladies would work for prohibition. Mrs. Butterworth of Marion followed Mr. Wooley with a beautiful solo, "Father Come Home with Me Now." Mrs. McWhirter our State President was introduced and made the announcements. Again the Eureka Quartette Club furnished a selection. Musical talent in sweeter songs has never been upon a platform of a W. C. T. U. convention, than displayed on the Y. W. C. T. U. night at Marion. Benediction, Rev. H. A. Davis.

ZELLA MILLER, Sec. Pro. Tem.

The Semi-annual Convention and quarterly Institute of Washington county W. C. T. U. was held in the Baptist church at Livonia, Sept. 5th. Mrs. Mary Overman, of Salem, presided with her usual dignity and ease. Each Union in the county was represented all showing good reports. Fredericksburg Union is actively at work and good is being accomplished; their new members work like veterans. The treasurer reported good finance in the treasury. Superintendent's report showed an advance in most lines of work. Well written papers, select reading recitations and singing added much to the interest, and was received with much enthusiasm. On the evening of the fourth an old folks contest was held, three ladies and three gentlemen entertained the audience in a very creditable manner. Mrs. Mary Overman of Salem, received the medal on the recitation entitled "A Terrible Charge." The interest in the contest work is increasing, and we feel very much encouraged and hope some seed has fallen in good ground. We wish to thank the ladies of Livonia for their kind hospitality, during their convention session. The business of electing Officers and Superintendents came before us resulting as follows: Washington county Officers and Superintendents. Pres., Mrs. Mary Overman, Salem; Secty., Fanny Ellis, Hardsburg; Treas. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg; Sabbath Observance, Ella Milton, Fredericksburg; Medal, Hattie Roll, Fredericksburg; Narcotics, Agnes Jones, Fredericksburg; Franchise, Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg; Scientific Temperance, L. D. Barnett, Hardsburg; Pres. Fanny Ellis, Hardsburg; Sunday School, G. Ragans, Hardsburg; Evangelistic, S. M. Shelt, Livonia; Temperance Literature, Jessie Wright, Livonia; Systematic given, S. M. Shelt, Livonia; Jail and Prison, Mary Overman, Salem.

FANNY B. ELLIS, Supt. Press work.

#### In Memoriam.

Mrs. LENA CHAMBERS, who was of modest tender nature, kindly spoken and loving disposition. Her place in the church, in union, can never be filled. She has gone to her reward.

Fourteenth annual convention of the Steuben Co. W. C. T. U. held at Pleasant Lake Sept. 12-13. Mrs. McWhirter was with us the first afternoon and evening. Our convention was well attended and much interest prevailed throughout the entire meeting.

Officers for the ensuing year were as follows: Mrs. Hannah Wilbenar, President; Miss Clara Fiske, Vice President; Mrs. L. J. Matson, Corresponding secretary; all of Pleasant Lake, Mrs. Alma Shaw, of Ashley, Treasurer; Mrs. L. Taylor, Angola, Recording Secretary. Officers of department of county work elected as follows: Supt. of department of contest work, Mrs. Lida Darguid, Ray; Parliamentary, Mrs. W. O. Bailly, Angola; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Jennie French, Ray; for suppression of immoral literature, Mrs. Ellen Lewis, Ray; Literature, Mrs. Hannah Hubbard, Angola; Purity, Mrs. Mary Boor, Fremont; Franchise, Mrs. Alma Shaw, Ashley; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Vella Lewis, Angola; Narcotics, Mrs. Tiva Wier, Angola; Flower Missions; Miss Clara Fiske, Pleasant Lake; Health and Heridity, Mrs. L. M. Sniff, Angola; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Birch, Fremont; Mother's meetings, Mrs. Sophia Block, Angola, Mercy Department, Mrs. Ella Belyea, Ashley; Parlor Meetings, Miss Lillie Fisk, Pleasant Lake; Evangelistic, Mrs. Villa Graham, Ray.

MRS. HANNAH B. HARPER,  
Supt. of Press Work.

The annual convention of the LaPorte county W. C. T. U. was held at Michigan City in the Presbyterian Church, Tuesday Sept. 19th. Thirty-four delegates were present, one minister and three honorary members besides many visitors and temperance workers not connected with the union. The county president, Mrs. Dr. Paxton of LaPorte, presided and the meeting opened with singing "While the Days are Going By." Devotion was led by Mrs. R. Pierce of Kingsbury. The forenoon was taken up with reports of officers and Superintendent. The Treasurer's report showed a balance in treasury of \$12.50. Noontide prayer by Mrs. Bumgardner. Dinner and supper were served by the Michigan City ladies in the large dining room in the basement of the church and a pleasant hour was passed in social intercourse. Afternoon session opened at 1:30 o'clock with a piano solo by Miss Maggie Hamilton of Michigan City. Miss Marion Colborn also favored us with a very beautiful solo that was sweetly rendered and greatly enjoyed. After the election of officers and other business, Mrs. Ogden of Kingman, Kansas, came forward and told of the work done in the part of the country in which she lives. She said she had been county president of Kingman for seven years. Mrs. R. Pierce, of Kingsbury, also talked to us along the line of department work. We greatly regretted that the lateness of the hour compelled the speakers to cut short their very interesting remarks. The convention then adjourned to meet in the spring at LaPorte.

MRS. R. G. YOUNG,  
County Supt. of Press.

Cass county convention was held at Logansport, Broadway M. E. church, Sept. 20. All the unions were represented. Good reports from most all of the superintendents. Logansport Central union made a canvass for new members and secured twelve which entitles them to a state speaker, which they expect to have at a future date. The National and State papers were represented by the county superintendent of literature and subscriptions secured. A paper on "Woman and Franchise" was read by Mrs. E. P. Potter of Star City. Plans of franchise work presented by Mrs. J. VanBuskirk. We will soon lose a very valuable member Mrs. M. E. Gould of Royal Center, our retiring president. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year; President, Mrs. E. T. Grable; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Fannie Carter; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Jennie Rogers; Treasurer, Mrs. N. J. Farose. Following are the superintendents of departments: Literature, Mrs. Guthrie; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Martha Paugh; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. E. T. Grable; Medal Work, Mrs. Warne; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. M. J. Stevenson; Flower Mission, Mrs. Ida McElheney; Loyal Temperance Legion, Mrs. H. S. Wilson; Non-alcoholic Medication, Dr. Taylor; Purity in Literature and Art, Mrs. Herd; Evangelistic, Mrs. C. P. Wright; Narcotics, Mrs. Butcher; Franchise Work, Mrs. E. P. Potter; Press, Mrs. Jennie Rogers. Closed with a medal contest in the evening.

MRS. JENNIE ROGERS,  
Co. Press Supt.

Benton county has just closed a most successful convention, much interest was noticed among the visitors. Report of superintendents showed much effective work done. A Gold Medal contest was held with net proceeds of \$9. Miss Elisa F. Baker was elected president again. The treasurer reported \$43.37 money in the treasury. Miss Anna Douney was with us for five days speaking twice a day to large audiences and her deep meaning words have done a great deal of good. We hope to send our delegates to State convention with a great deal of the heaven of our convention. A club of seven-teen was secured for the MESSAGE.

MRS. ELLA M. MADDOX, Co. Press Supt.



### The W. C. T. U. at Kirkland.

The visit of Miss Mary Hadley, vice-president of the State Woman's Christian Temperance Union and State organizer, to this place Monday and Tuesday of this week resulted in forming a nucleus for a local union and partial organization. The membership includes ladies from the different churches, who will perfect their organization and carry forward the work here which has elsewhere proved so effective in behalf of temperance, Sabbath observance and social purity. Mrs. Price, wife of the Presbyterian pastor, will act as temporary president and Mrs. O. H. Mann as treasurer.

Miss Hadley spoke at the M. E. church Monday night, giving a forcible and intelligent discourse on the vital issues involved in the great work of temperance and other reforms. She spoke on the economic and other phases of the temperance question and called attention to the noble work accomplished by the W. C. T. U. in securing legislation whereby scientific temperance education has been secured in all the states but three. The terrible evils resulting from the liquor traffic were depicted, but in all that was said there was no bitterness. It was really a gospel message on practical lines and it was encouraging to note that a representative audience was present and gave close attention to the speaker from beginning to close.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Indiana W. C. T. U. at Marion, October sixth to tenth was a remarkable convention for its length, its spiritual power, harmony and the amount of work reported, gained more and the enthusiasm which prevailed, sixty-five counties represented by two-hundred and fifty four local unions, over three-hundred and fifty enrolled delegates. The general comment as women met and conversed was, the best convention Indiana ever held. Miss Anna Gordon and Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens highly complimented us on our intelligent up-to-date women and our despatch parliamentary order. Over one hundred new members were added to the county roll. The display of the press department with its seventy-five feet of solid clippings pasted on a strip of paper, the six hundred Sunday-school pledges in a chain of red, white and blue, and the Sabbath observance charts, and the full reports from every department with a very few exceptions were most encouraging. The local committees had made the arrangements quite complete and visitor and hostess wore only smiles and kind loving words prevailed.

MARY E. BALCH.

The W. C. T. U. of Frankfort surprised one of their honorary members, Rev. E. H. Pontius of the United Brethren Church in a very agreeable way. On the last Sabbath of his pastorate for the conference year, members of the union met at their hall and attended his church in a body. Although surprised, he was greatly pleased and touched at this evidence of appreciation and good will. He delivered the sermon he had already prepared for this time, but out of deference to the White Ribboners, he gave it the "temperance twist." Nay, more than that, he poured out some straight "prohibition hot shot." Brother Pontius is a fine tenor singer and, by the way will be the musical director of the St. Joe district conference which will convene at Bourbon beginning Sept 15. He sang a beautiful solo for us entitled "Some Mother's Child" which was greatly appreciated. We recommend that more of the unions surprise their pastors in this way. Brother Pontius said that it was an inspiration to him and we know it was a blessing to us.

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

Mrs McWhirter's lecture in the evening will not soon be forgotten. She was obliged to leave early and the Executive Committee was to have finished up the business of the Committee after she was gone but just as she finished speaking an alarm of fire was sounded and the fire department rushing past the church threw such an excitement into the congregation that nothing more could be done, so the meeting broke up in confusion and we missed the collection.

The officers elected were Pres. Mrs. Julia E. Thurber, Ossian; Cor. Sec. Mrs. Mary Krewson, Ossian; Treas. Mrs. Emma Stadabaker, Bluffton; Rec. Sec. Mrs. Mary Cook, Bluffton.

L. O. Chupp, Press reporter.

Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester, was for years L. T. L. secretary and gave the work into the hands of Mrs. A. R. Gordon, of Argos. Mrs. Straw is quite restored and the work comes back into her hands again. Mrs. Gordon was not in attendance at the convention because of sickness. It was a great disappointment to her legioners, as they depended on her for the direction and carrying out of the program.

Any one desiring the Willard Scarf Pin write to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3,335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, who has them for sale, price fifteen cents.

By request of Mr. James Gipe, President of the Loyal Temperance Legion, our own Mrs. Mary A. Leavitt, wrote the following:—

Indiana, we are coming!  
Yes, the L. T. L. are coming!  
Oh, the L. T. L. are coming  
With brave banners, banners, and with song!

CHORUS.

You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Senior Legions!  
We're an army, army true and strong!

To the breeze we'll give our colors,  
To the van we'll bear our banners,  
To the van we'll bear our banners  
Where the battle, battle-trumpet swells.

CHORUS.

You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Senior Legions,  
On the valiant, Senior L. T. L's!

'Gainst the foe that is most fatal,  
'Gainst our common foe we'll battle,  
'Gainst our common foe we'll battle,  
Till the fettered, fettered all are free!

CHORUS.

You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Loyal Legions,  
You may count on the Senior Legions,  
For the coming, coming victory!

### HADLEY SCHOOL.

Dear friends of the MESSAGE: Your board of managers of Hadley school came home from the convention with hearts bounding in gratitude for the loyal support pledged to this school by the state organization. We feel that this school has entered upon a new era of prosperity, and from this on will nestle near the mother heart and will not merely live but will grow and expand until it will eventually accomplish much for the betterment of morals and the overthrow of intemperance in Indiana.

This step forward has renewed the courage of the projectors and near friends of this school and given it prestige in the community. Every friend this school has should stand loyally and diligently by this work at the present time. Our ideas must enlarge with increasing numbers in our school until we fully realize that helping this school is an opportunity for the highest kind of missionary work. When we realize that systematically providing, but two or three cents per month per individual membership of this growing organization, coming from the state treasury (if it be judiciously handled) may be the means of turning the course in life of very many girls. Who can estimate the extent of this change of influence, reaching even into eternity?

Let us never falter or look back. Let our contributions never grow less until our school is richly endowed. In addition to providing for running expenses, you nobly responded to the call for funds to help in erecting a fine building for laundry and other purposes. And here let me introduce do you another benefactor of Hadley School, Mr. Charles J. Freys, of Indianapolis, who is a skilled architect. He has drawn up plans for a building which is to include laundry, drying-room, milk cellar, vegetable cellar and hired-man's room. This Christian gentleman has made the plan without charging the school one cent, and he has consented to let the contract to a competent builder who will give bond for good work. Mr. Freys will superintend the building of it without any pay, save his carfare back and forth from Indianapolis to Hadley. Can we of the organization falter while such sacrifice is shown by outside friends? The work preparatory to the erection of this building has already begun.

Mrs. Hannars who has rendered loving service to the home for three years, has gone to her aged father for rest for herself and comfort to him. Mrs. Elizabeth Parker a member of the Friends Church has taken her place and is doing efficient work. Uncle Addison Hadley has recently given the Home ten barrels of apples which will help to preserve the good health of the girls. Mrs. Reynolds, of Indianapolis, sent to the Home a bedstead and rocking chair. And a loyal loving friend to our girls has placed \$100 in the hands of a member of our board to provide extra food and delicacies for them. Surely "The Lord reigneth let the earth rejoice."

LUCRETIA HOBART.

### Receipts for August.

North Vernon.....	\$7 00
Mrs. Stevin T. Cooker.....	10 00
Mrs. Ella Nash.....	10 00
Mrs. M. R. Vorlis, on century pledge.....	1 00
Mrs. Anna Whitson, on century pledge.....	1 00
India Paff, on century pledge.....	1 00
Mary Clark.....	1 00

### Disbursements.

M. O'Conner, groceries.....	\$22 96
Hay, rope.....	3 25
Molasses.....	3 70
Window glass.....	5 50
C. J. Hamers, emergency fund.....	25 00
E. B. Sudger.....	15 00
Mary Moon, Matron.....	15 00

REBECCA HESSONG, Treasures.

### A Gala Day for the W. C. T. U.

The Inter-State assembly, held at Island Park, Rome City, Ind., will long be remembered as a most enjoyable as well as a profitable time. Representatives and delegates from Michigan, Indiana and Ohio Unions, with the assistance of their prohibition brothers, organized a permanent Inter-State assembly association to meet at Rome City annually. The management of the Rome City assembly are in hearty sympathy with the work of the W. C. T. U., and will hereafter provide a national speaker, the arrangement of the program to be in the hands of the W. C. T. U. State officers. To do justice to the speakers and those who helped make this assembly a success would be impossible.

The early morning of the first day was given to recreation. At 11 a. m. Prof. Jefferies rendered "Old Man in the Model Church," "Macbeth to the Dodger," and other selections. In the afternoon there was a short session of the W. C. T. U., with music by the assembly chorus. At 2:30 Hon. A. S. Zook, of Goshen, Ind., delivered a lecture, "Shun the Corduroy Road to Inebriety." In the evening a diamond contest was conducted by Mrs. McWhirter, State President of the W. C. T. U. There were five contestants, the Misses Lodena Miller of Marion, Leila Gray of Petersburg, Lottie Wands of Indianapolis and Nellie McPharland of Terre Haute, and Mr. James Gipe, State Pres. L. T. L. of Indianapolis. The contest was very close, each participant showing marked ability as an electionist. Mr. Gipe received the medal. A mandolin orchestra, solos by Mrs. C. E. Young and Mrs. B. F. Peters, and a gramophone enlivened the evening session. Second day opening services consisted of a W. C. T. U. Conference; subject: "What has the W. C. T. U. done for me." The earnest testimonials given by the members evinced that it helps not only a woman, but her family as well.

It brings out all there is good and noble in a woman, and it has been justly said: "It is a development of the heart." The Department work was under the directorship of Mrs. McWhirter. Among the speakers were Mrs. R. C. Travis of Elkhart, Mrs. Viola D. Romans, general Secretary of the Ohio W. C. T. U., Rev. Mrs. M. A. Ehlers, of Auburn, and Mr. James Gipe of Indianapolis. Mr. Gipe is a young man of rare talent for public speaking, about fifteen years old, the son of a W. C. T. U. worker, and is a good example of what the W. C. T. U. can accomplish in the home. He presented the work of the L. T. L. in a clear concise way that would do credit to a much older person, and invited all to come to Marion to the State convention to be held in connection with the State W. C. T. U. convention, and meet Miss Anna Gordon, the life long friend of Miss Willard; among other things he said were: Help us to organize the young people, the hope of the future depends on the young people, we have 30,000 L. T. L. members in the United States. A song service was then conducted by J. L. Parks, general Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Elkhart. "Sabbath Observance," by State Supt., Mrs. Katie Wert Haller of South Bend, Mrs. Haller is one of the most efficient workers in the State. She illustrated the work with charts that had been especially prepared for this work and are very valuable to this department, they are also works of art. A request has been made for them to be placed in the W. C. T. U. booths, in the World's Fair at Paris.

Mrs. Brand of Indianapolis, a State organizer, told how she had attended twenty-five county Institutes in the interest of the largest organization of women in the world, there being 200,000 in the United States alone. Ninety-two counties organized in Indiana with a uniform program used at all the institutes, papers read and addresses made by members of the W. C. T. U., thereby bringing together our own forces. Mrs. Romans, gave a very forcible address at the afternoon session. Following are some of the good things brought to us by this earnest worker:

"It is time to get out of the book of Revelations and get into the book of Acts."

"Train the law maker while he is still a child, for it is easier to train ten children than to save one drunkard."

"If you want to work for temperance, train children."

She told how an L. T. L. chartered street cars for a picnic, 1,200 children decorated them with the mottoes: "The Saloons must go!" And rode through the city singing their temperance songs. The railroad officials ordered the mottoes removed; on investigation it was found they were removed to please the "business men," who on further investigation proved to be the Saloon keepers. But on the return trip the children sang and cheered long and loud, striking terror to the hearts of these "business men," who read the "hand writing on the wall" and understood the interpretation there of death to the Saloon.

"The W. C. T. U. needs no apologies for its existence, it is a necessity." The influence of half a million members, is felt in forty nations reaching round the world. Hundreds of fallen men and women have been helped into a better way; art and literature are purified; the press is teeming with sentiments regarding the work. Tho' the great leaders pass from us to the other world, their works will never die. The saloon tends and intends to make our innocent children



steal, blasphemy, and debauch, subsisting on the manhood of our land, devouring our sons and daughters. Three fourths the work of our police is caused by the dram shop." After this address, Dr. H. J. Becker, manager of the association, entertained the audience with an excellent temperance recitation.

Rev. Aron Worth, State Prohibition Evangelist, held the audience spell-bound for two hours, with his matchless eloquence, unique utterances, striking illustrations and practical suggestions. He confidently expects to live to see the saloon wiped out. May the Lord grant His servant the thing he desires. Mr. Worth thinks the more religion a church has, the less ice cream it will take to run it. Less of the world and more of Christ in our churches and the work is done. There are four million church people in this country who vote for rum.

### FIELD NOTES.

Jackson, Henry, Hamilton, Sullivan and other counties are calling for an organizer.

Poneto union, Wells county, has a temperance library which the young people enjoy and patronize.

Jonesboro union, Grant county, has been re-organized by Mrs. Cammack with Mary Eaton at its head.

Hopewell union, Jennings county, had Mrs. Cammack for five services and the union was greatly strengthened.

The unions of Clinton county have adopted the plan of making the dollar membership fee include a subscription to the MESSAGE.

The president of the Farmer's Chapel Union is also Superintendent of the Sunday-school at that place. The combination works fine.

North Vernon Union is struggling but alive. Mrs. Eves and four others are doing their best to keep the holy incense burning on the altar.

Jennie Ward Guilford and Sallie D. Lemon, Dillsboro, write of the growing interest in the work and they regret not being able to attend the State convention.

The White Ribboners of Bluffton with Mrs. Cammack visited the Teachers Institute and gave a lesson on Scientific Temperance and urged the teaching of the same.

Miss Hadley's visit was hurried by reason of other appointments, but before leaving she expressed encouragement over the prospects for successful work in Kirklin.

Miss Hadley secured forty-four new members in Clinton county, of which twenty-seven are active and seventeen honorary and took thirty subscriptions to the MESSAGE.

At a conference of the Friends church held at Phlox, Howard county, Mrs. Cammack spoke from the text, "He setteth the solitary in families," which was a purity lecture.

Zerella L. Kimberling, Winterrowd, engaged in teaching there, writes of the excellent work done for them by Mrs. Ada Squier, of Martinsville. They hope to call her back soon.

Western Grove Union reports a Y. branch of ten boys and five girls. A quartette from this branch sings for the district evangelist in his prohibition meeting. Boys greatly interested.

Jane Turner, of Kokomo, has never forgotten her first love and at present is fashioning dolls after national and literary characters and selling them for the benefit of the home mission work of Kokomo union.

WELLS CO. W. C. T. U. met in Co. Convention in the Baptist church in Bluffton, Sep. 7-8. Co. Pres. Miss Cora Hood presiding. The program was well carried out. Reports of Superintendents showed much interest was taken in the work.

Mrs. McWhirter arrived about noon on Friday. Mrs. Stahl of Hartford City was also present, 38 delegates were there. Dinner was served in the church dining room and every thing was done to make the convention both enjoyable and profitable.

We have just closed a splendid county convention at this place (Grant Co.) Our state president was with us the first day and made a splendid address in the evening. The second evening we had a Gold Medal contest and the medal was awarded to Mrs Carder of Upland.

Clinton county has a new union at Kirklin. It was organized August 28 by Miss Mary Hadley with sixteen members eleven active and five honorary. Among the honoraries are the ministers and the editor. The latter offers the free use of his columns for the advancement of the cause.

A successful temperance meeting was held in the Friends church at Farmland Sept. 18th by Miss Mary Hadley. Quite a number of the influential men and women of the town were present, there were six ministers in the audience, five different denominations were represented by them. Miss Hadley spoke from an economical standpoint. Her address was delivered in the spirit of meekness and love, which always tells.

ALICE H. SMITH.

The Western Grove Union has in the last three months held three Gold Medal contests with grand success both financially and otherwise. Emily Coffin our very efficient superintendent of Medal Contest work trains so faithfully and the good points of the contestants are so many, that the judges are often bewildered in rendering a decision. But our sister superintendent goes right on drilling and holding contests and lo! in a short time the whole class appear wearing medals.

The W. C. T. U. of Frankfort have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President Mrs. Hattie Barricklow; Vice-president, Mrs. Jennie Stevenson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Florence Vance; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frank Hinds; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Campbell. The Vice-presidents from the churches are as follows: Mrs. Minnie Walker, Christian; Mrs. Frank Hinds, Presbyterian; Mrs. Dwyer, Presbyterian Chapel; Mrs. Chlora Fortune, Methodist; Miss Patient Boyd, Baptist.

The ladies of the Edwardsport and Freelandville unions had a meeting and picnic at Westphalia. The following county officers were present: Mrs. Arrie F. Polk, President; Mrs. J. T. McJamsey, Treasurer, and Mrs. Nellie Virtue, Corresponding Secretary. We had talks from the members and an experience meeting on the subject "Why I Became a White Ribboner." Miss Hilda Reeves gave us a splendid recitation. After the meeting a bountiful supper was spread even to ice tea and ice cream. We secured one new member and several signers to the pledge, Knox county is arranging to have a booth at the fair and distribute literature and check parcels. NELLIE VIRTUE CHAMBERS, Co. Cor. Sec.

Monrovia Union has just held three silver medal contests, the same class contesting at three different places, viz., Monrovia, Hazelwood, and Center Valley; the two last named places being in Hendricks County. The class consisted of six young ladies, whose names and subjects were, Miss Sadie Hubbard,—"The Losing Side;" Miss Opal Lane,—"His Last Glass;" Miss Laura Marlette,—"Down With the Traffic;" Miss Mary Yager,—"Farmer Dear's Conversion;" Miss Mabel Stayton,—"Ruin And Crime;" Miss Lillian Young,—"Jacob and de American Wimmie." At the Monrovia contest, the medal was awarded to Miss Young; at Hazelwood, to Miss Stayton, and at Center View to Miss Lane. The selections were well rendered, considering the fact that the class had the benefit of only one lesson, circumstances preventing Mrs. Squier from returning and giving the second lesson, and being present at the contest.

Lebanon union was organized Sept. 8th 1898 with only six members who went bravely to work and by persistent effort doubled their number in less than three months and obtained the curfew ordinance. In six months we had gained a foothold and are steadily climbing upward and have doubled our number twice over. I have been intensely interested in this work and every day I try to win some one to the temperance cause. I had four or six names when I saw Mrs. McWhirter at Zionsville and I told her that if shoe leather didn't wear out, I would get the ten. At noon Thursday I got the ninth and was so worn out that Mrs. Shelby one of the best little women, drove over and she and I put in one evening and one afternoon and we gained the victory, thanks to her and to our Father who always helps in time of need. Pray for us dear sisters as we do for you.

URSHA DARNALL.

Elkhart county, W. C. T. U. has kept up the procession, and though the work progresses slowly at times, yet we have many things to be thankful for. We have five unions in the county and before the close of the year we fully expect to have as many more. Rev. Mrs. M. A. Thompkins, after being our faithful President for many years, sent her resignation from far off North Dakota, where she is trying to regain her lost health. She has devoted many years to the work of temperance, and it is to be hoped that she will be returned to us. Mrs. Laura Cole Phoenix, of Middlebury, succeeds Mrs. Thompkins as President, and though some fall by the wayside from over-work and are weary, God has seen fit to send us this dear sister as our leader. She is a woman possessed of the necessary amount of courage that is required of every woman that wears the white ribbon to stand nobly by, on all and every occasion, and do the full duty towards her fellow beings. She is a woman full of enthusiasm for the work, and has the will to accomplish what she undertakes.

The members of the different unions assisted the general public in passing remonstrance papers for signatures to prevent saloons from going in at Dunlaps, Middlebury and Nappanee. Gave receptions to new members. Organized a Y. at Nappanee, which gives us two flourishing Ys. in the county and good prospects of more. We also have an L. T. L. Nappanee Union has the permission of placing a public drinking fountain on her public square, and is earnestly engaged in raising the proper funds. We have just had our thirteenth annual convention, and feel encouraged by the many excellent reports. The subjects discussed at the convention, were presented by

the Superintendents of the departments and were splendidly written, being full of what the name of this organization would imply. Many thousand pages of literature have been distributed at mass meetings, and by house to house visits. The editors of the county donated space for press work, and we had more space than we could fill. All the world admires staying qualities and our women believe in their adage that "believing is doing."

MRS. A. P. DAUB.

## RALLY ALL!

BY REV. T. C. NEAL.

Dedicated to the W. C. T. U.

TUNE—Sweet By-and-by.

1 To the conflict so fierce bravely go;  
Fill the ranks of the great temp'rance band;  
Though defiant the death dealing foe,  
Rise and crush him with unsparing hand!

CHORUS.

Rally all! Rally all!  
Hark! 'tis God's trumpet call, Rally all!  
In the fight for the Right,  
One and all, great and small, Rally all!

2 Soon the set time to conquer must come;  
Now the day of deliv'rance is near;  
See the faltering legions of rum,  
Vainly raging, while quaking with fear!

—Chorus.

3 "Make a chain!" make a chain great and long;  
Bind the monster whose crimes fill our land;  
Weld each link well, that it may be strong,  
All the power of our foe to withstand.

—Chorus.

4 Whisky-rings, see the hand on the wall;  
See the sentence of God written there!—  
"Weighed and wanting!" Ye surely shall fall,  
And be chained in the pit of despair!

—Chorus.

### Report of Medal Department for the Past Year.

NUMBER OF CONTESTS.	
Oratorical Silver.....	146
L. T. L. Silver.....	47
Suffrage Silver.....	22
Matrons Silver.....	7
Silver Grey, Silver.....	2
Musical Silver.....	5
Demorest Silver.....	10
Cigarette Silver.....	1
Total.....	240
Oratorical Small Gold.....	27
L. T. L. Small Gold.....	3
Suffrage Small Gold.....	1
Matrons Small Gold.....	2
Total.....	33
Grand Gold.....	2
Diamond.....	1
Grand Total.....	276

Gross receipts for the year \$1,304; net receipts \$448.68, gain over last year \$700.63. Females in classes nine-hundred and ninety-nine, males two-hundred and thirty-four. Eighty-two counties had medal work this year, a gain of thirty-five over last year. Six-hundred and sixty books used in the field. Premiums for the next year: work began October 7 1899 and will close October 6 1900. The county or medal worker holding four diamond contests will be entitled to a grand gold medal or a full set of Miss Willard's books free. The county or medal worker holding five grand gold contests, will be entitled to a small gold medal or a life-size picture of Miss Willard framed ready for the wall. The county or medal worker holding five small gold contests will be entitled to any silver medal free. It is a great mistake and an injustice not to give contestants opportunity to complete the course and receive their diploma. Let us try to correct that this year.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

### A DOLLAR BOOK FOR FORTY CENTS.

We have on hand less than a thousand copies of Dr. Mary Wood-Allen's popular allegorical physiology, "The Marvels of Our Bodily Dwelling." We want to get rid of these before the appearance of the new edition. Hence we make the following offer: To every person sending in one dollar for a year's subscription to the New Crusade, forty cents for the physiology and ten cents additional for postage, we will send a copy of "The Marvels of Our Bodily Dwelling."

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### Christmas Present for your Boy or Girl.

The New Crusade, is a magazine for the home. It contains articles of interest to every member of the family. It is especially helpful for father and mother, as it tells them in a practical, simple way, how to bring up their children aright. Its editor, Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, is a mother of experience as well as a physician. She is ably fitted to give the assistance parents need, and she is universally regarded as an authority on all matters pertaining to the home. YOU WILL NEVER HAVE SUCH A CHANCE AGAIN.

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## Special Work for November.

Let the Indiana W. C. T. U. make its protest against the seating of Brigham H. Roberts, Polygamist Congressman-elect, heard. There is no time to lose as Congress assembles next month. Read the following and act without delay.

Opinion of Wilbur F. Crafts, Superintendent of The Reform Bureau:

The undersigned has been very slow to believe in the alleged revival of polygamy in Utah, but has been convinced at last by unanswerable evidence. The failure to reject or expel Brigham H. Roberts from the Fifty-sixth Congress would be taken as national permission, if not sanction of that revival. To prevent this will require a great popular uprising, because the Mormon vote important in five States and two Territories, and in National elections, will make many politicians and many papers neutral, if not hostile, and already some "good men gone wrong" and even some good women are raising the cry of "religious liberty" as a shield for Mormon cohabitation—the American parallel of Oriental temple prostitution. It is fitting that we should recall at this time that Washington's chief message to the nation was, that Christian morality is the palladium of civil liberty.

Extract from Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens' Annual Address:

### The Robert's Case.

Let us by petition and in all other reasonable ways, seek to bring about the rejection or expulsion of Brigham H. Roberts from the Fifty-sixth Congress. This case is plainly legitimate work for us, coming directly under the head of purity, one of our fundamental principles. The people of the United States, through Congress, have declared their hostility to polygamy. The framer of this law, Ex-Senator Edmunds says: "If a man is a polygamist he may be lawfully and rightfully expelled from the United States Congress. Not alone would his retention be a great stain upon American morality but it would have a degrading influence upon the people of Utah." One of the Utah papers says: "Our judgment is that if Mr. Roberts is seated in Congress it will be accepted in Utah as a notice that polygamy has no special horror to the law-makers of the United States, and it will be followed by practically full restoration of conditions as they existed here."

In taking action at this critical time we are co-operating with church missionary and reform societies who feel with us that to have an avowed polygamist sit as a law-maker at Washington would be "an insult to the virtue of womanhood and to the manhood of the nation."

### Other Opinions.

MR. EUGENE YOUNG, grandson of Brigham Young, who is a vigorous opponent of polygamy, said in New York, on Dec. 20, 1898, at a public meeting:

"Through his election a people 300,000 strong have turned from American liberty and American morality and have taken the initial step toward the establishment of a hierarchy foreign to our institutions and social laws in the midst of our Republic. If Mr. Roberts were merely a law-breaker, frowned upon by his own people, it would be wasting time to make any efforts against him. But if in dragging polygamy into the House of Representatives he is representing the defiant sentiment of the whole Mormon people, then we must not rest until Congress has cast him out as a warning to all covenant-breakers and all polygamist. It is because those who know the feelings of the Mormon people believe he is an embodiment of such defiance that they are warning the nation against the new Mormonism."

*The New Voice*: "It is more than a question of private and personal morality. Polygamy is an institution at variance with our whole social system. There reasons to feel that it has been scotched, not killed. A stand taken by the House of Representatives at this time might go far to discourage any possible hope that may still be indulged in Mormondom for its revival. To expel Mr. Roberts would inflict no stigma upon him among his own people, but the institution which is represented in his person would receive a blow that might prove its finish."

### HISTORY OF THE ROBERTS CASE.

When Mr. Roberts took his so-called "plural wives" it was a crime against national law. Polygamy has been a crime in Utah since he

was six years old. In 1891 he pleaded "guilty" to bigamy or unlawful cohabitation, and served a term of imprisonment.

2 Polygamists were by national law deprived of the privileges of voting and holding office, and when amnesty was offered later to those who would abandon polygamy Mr. Roberts did not avail himself of it, and should therefore be prevented from even taking his seat, as in the case of John Q. Cannon. (Congress has also unquestioned power to expel.)

3. Despite above facts, he was elected to Congress by a very unusual majority, apparently because he not only practices but also publicly defends and advocates polygomy. (See his article in May issue of official Mormon magazine, *The Improvement Era*. Send to Senator or Congressman for House Report 2307, 55th Congress, containing extracts from his article and discussion of whole case.)

4. His plea that he is under moral obligation to continue his relations to all the women he calls wives, while it might apply to support, certainly does not apply to criminal cohabitation.

5 Religious cohabitation of Mormons has no more claim to toleration than the religious prostitution of Hindoos or the practice of "free love" as taught by other religious bodies. Sincerity is equally the excuse of them all.

6 The testimony from Utah, from polygamists as well as from Gentiles, is absolutely conclusive that polygamy is still taught and practiced and with increasing boldness. The following extract is from the unanswered and unanswerable New York address of Mr. Eugene Young, grandson of Brigham Young:

"Why, if the Mormon people have abandoned polygamy, should President Snow say, in an interview in September: 'I believe in the revelation given to Joseph Smith on celestial marriage, and that under certain circumstances Latter Day Saints would be doing no moral or religious wrong in practicing plural marriage under divine sanction and religious regulations?'"

"Why should Angus M. Cannon, president of the powerful Salt Lake Stake in the Church, say only last year, 'We still believe in the principle of plural marriages, as we believe in the practices of the patriarchs. You can't change a people's beliefs?'"

"Why should Apostle Woodruff, youngest member of the highest church quorum, say in June, 'The belief in polygamy is as much a part of the Mormon faith to-day as it ever was,' and that the young people could not, 'deny this part of their belief without denying the prophet Joseph Smith?'"

"Why should Mrs. Freeze, a leading woman of the church, say polygamy was a divine command of God? Why should Apostle Rudger H. Clawson, as late as October, declare he had been sent to the penitentiary as a 'testimony for Jesus,' when he had been sent for polygamy? Why should Apostle Heber J. Grant, who is living in polygamy, and who was Mr. Roberts' most influential supporter during the campaign, say in an address to the Young People's Confer-

ence in Logan, Utah, on November 13, 1898, that he felt to 'sustain the principles of the Gospel even to the extent of taking more wives, if necessary?' Why should Mormon Church publications and Mormon Church meetings in Utah ring with a defense of those who 'live their religion?'"

7 In view of these and other facts, it cannot be doubted that Utah has broken the covenant to cease polygamy, by which it secured statehood, and that the election of Roberts is the proclamation of its defiant revolt.

8 The imperative control asserted by the Mormon hierarchy over the right of its members to accept public office is a practical union of Church and State, and so another element of revolt against American institutions. All of which calls for the rejection or expulsion of Brigham H. Roberts.

### Resolution Passed by the National W. C. T. U.

We believe that, by allowing Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, to retain a seat in the national house of representatives, a blow will be struck at every home in our land. We therefore call upon our representatives to see to it that the moral standing of their honorable body shall not be so impeached, and we pledge ourselves to bring all possible force to bear to prevent so great a national disgrace as would be involved in allowing the congressman-elect from Utah to retain a seat in the chief council halls of the nation.

### What the National W. C. T. U. is doing.

Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis of Meriden, Conn., is our national superintendent of Christian Citizenship and is our regular lobbyist at the national capital. The executive committee of the National W. C. T. U. decided to keep up an active lobby at Washington, this winter and to prevent if possible the seating of Brigham H. Roberts, Polygamist Congressman-elect. A number of prominent W. C. T. U. leaders are expected to go to Washington during the session of Congress to assist Mrs. Ellis in her work.

Point Isabel union was organized November 5th, 1899. There was but little temperance sentiment in the community. We began with contest work and have awarded twenty-one silver medals, seven gold medals and one grand gold medal. Our people are now interested in temperance reform as never before. Some time ago we noticed in the MESSAGE that any union gaining ten members by September 15th would be entitled to a free lecture. We secured the ten and Mrs. Hattie Brand of Indianapolis was sent to us. She was here November 11th and 12th and talked for us Saturday night, Sabbath morning and Sabbath night. The meetings grew in interest all the time and everyone was sorry to see her go. By her coming among us we gained six active members, two honorary members and thirteen Y's. We were so pleased with her that we intend to have her again this winter for a week's evangelistic temperance services.

MRS. ANGELINE KILGORE,  
President Point Isabel Union.

## FORM OF PETITION.

To the United States House of Representatives of the Fifty-sixth Congress:

The undersigned organizations and individuals hereby earnestly petition your honorable body to reject or expel Brigham H. Roberts, Congressman-elect from Utah, which, in electing one who is both a confessed polygamist and an open champion of polygamy, has broken the solemn covenant made with the nation as the condition of statehood, and invited a general repudiation of that covenant by its citizens.

We also petition you to pass a bill to submit a constitutional amendment disqualifying polygamists for election as Senators and Representatives in Congress and prohibiting polygamy, so putting the punishment of it under jurisdiction of national officers.

The above petition was endorsed by vote of ..... to ..... by .....

of ..... State of ..... , on .....

and the undersigned was authorized to so attest.

[Signed] ..... , Presiding.

(When petition is to be made up wholly or in part of individual signatures, add paper below; otherwise cut off above this line.)



## THE MESSAGE.

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#### National Convention Notes.

All the general officers of the National W. C. T. U. were re-elected.

L. T. L. Secretary admitted as a member to the National Conventions.

Mrs. S. M. D. Fry, National Corresponding Secretary said: "Indiana has shot ahead and distanced us all."

The *Young Crusader* being a child's paper is not just the official organ the Seniors would like. They asked for and I think obtained one page in the *Union Signal* monthly to be known as the Senior Grade page.

The National Y. W. C. T. U., reports ten thousand members, one thousand of which were gained this year. Miss Clara Parish was reappointed as National General Secretary, and Miss Annie Rothwell Stewart, Marriand, her associate.

National Superintendents in reporting made favorable mention of the following departments in Indiana: Normal Institutes, Sunday School, Sabbath Observance, Press (the Superintendent receiving the star.) Medal, Colored, and both of our branches.

Mrs. Katie Wert Holler is our State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance. When the National Superintendent gave her report, she spoke in highest praise of Mrs. Hollers plans and methods, and said: "She is a woman who thinks, and I would be glad to see her given a more prominent place."

Indiana delegates were besieged by State President and workers who said: "Do tell me all the details of your Institute plan. We believe it is the secret of your success." How glad we are to announce to you dear members, that she who has planned and worked so faithfully along this line, and has added more new members than any other one in the State, our own Mary Hadley has been made the National Superintendent of Institute work.

When Miss Minnie B. Horning, National Press Superintendent, made her report she said that in nineteen States alone during the past year thirty thousand columns of W. C. T. U. matter had been published. Indiana's roll of clippings was exhibited and the star press badge was awarded us for the best work in this department of work. An Illinois woman arose and said: "What is the matter with Indiana?" And the great audience of nearly eighteen hundred people cried out: "Oh she's all right."

One of the pretty scenes of the convention was when our President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter stood on the platform with her daughter, Miss Ethel, Y. delegate, and son, Felix, of the Indiana L. T. L., and received the prize banner for the largest increase in membership of any State in the Union. After the presentation of the banner the Indiana delegates and visitors sang our State song. We had been practicing all the way from Chicago to Seattle and did our very best. It was pronounced among the best of the State songs.

The Executive Committee recommended the removal of our National Headquarters from the Temple, Chicago, to Rest Cottage, Evanston. The question was fairly discussed and when put to vote carried by a majority of over one hundred and fifty. The cottage has been restored, and the furniture placed as it was when Miss Willard made it her home. The rooms which will be used as office rooms are commodious, and while they are under the same roof are entirely separate from the home. Miss Willard bequeathed this property to her sister, Mary B. Willard, and to Anna Gordon, and the National

W. C. T. U. has recently purchased the life interest of Mary B. Willard. It was urged by the advocates of the change that there is a financial advantage; that the cottage is admirably suited for headquarters. Rest Cottage has become the Mecca of White Ribboners, and there was a strong sentiment in favor of establishing our National Headquarters at this place which is destined to be one of the historic spots in America.

The following is a list of Indiana delegates and friends who attended the National Convention at Seattle, Wash.:

Indiana President—Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, Indianapolis.

Treasurer—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

Corresponding Secretary—Mary E. Balch, 811 E. 11th street, Indianapolis.

State Superintendents—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

State Organizer—Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

County Presidents—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore; Mrs. Z. H. Stanley, Liberty.

Ex-county Presidents—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash; Mrs. Laura Leonard, Arlington; Mrs. M. A. Omo, Harlan.

Local Presidents—Miss Minerva Tomes, Shelbyville.

Local and County Superintendents—Mrs. E. A. Lee, Hartford City; Mrs. Mary J. Wilson, Greenfield.

Local Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Sarah Roberts.

Y delegate from State—Miss Ethel McWhirter, Indianapolis.

Press Worker—Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen.

Visitors—Mr. Will Stanley, Liberty; Mr. Wm. Erwin, Bourbon; Mr. Wm. Leonard, Arlington; Mrs. M. A. Thayer, Bourbon; Miss Hope Erwin, Bourbon; Miss Myrtle Parks, Martinsville; Master Felix McWhirter, Indianapolis; Mrs. Margaret Ross, Wabash; Miss Fannie Steckel, Mulberry.

#### Hurrah For Indiana.

Indiana gained six hundred and fifty-nine members and brought back the White Ribbon starspangled banner. But four states, Missouri-South Dakota, California and Indiana made a gain of over five hundred this year. Twenty-eight states made large gains in membership and all are eager to carry off the banner next year. It will require earnest effort on our part to retain it. Ten women in Indiana have already pledged themselves to work for a gain of one hundred in their respective counties. Dear reader how many will you secure?

#### Seattle W. C. T. U. National Convention.

BY MARY E. BALCH.

DEAR CO-WORKERS:—It is a great pleasure to tell the story of the twenty-sixth convention of the twenty-fifth anniversary of our organization; spoken of and written down in history as the silver anniversary; and it was observed in regard to the treasury by adding thirty life members, some of them memorial, prominent among the memorial list, was Captain Hunt. Dear sisters have you heard any one say that "the work of the W. C. T. U. was finished, its power gone?" With deep regret I must confess that some Indiana women have talked that way, and that political newspapers have predicted the death of the organization every time it has spoken out loudly and bravely against some of the glaring political sins, but praise the Lord no single soul or organization of few or many will ever die from declaring the truth. And as I sat and drank in the atmosphere of spiritual power and purpose in that earnest enthusiastic gathering, and listened with wrapt attention to the work of the past year in our various departments, and the planning for the years to come, I said, God is surely leading. The vanished hand of our earthly leader beckons us on and there is no turning back, no faltering, but a steady going forward to victory, the final overthrow of licensed rum. The stain of licensed poison for revenue will not forever soil Old Glory, and put to shame a Christian nation. With me dear sisters in your prayers say it over and over, in union there is strength, and if God is with the union or better still the union with God, their is almightiness in it, that idle words and newspaper criticisms cannot harm. The election of officers for 1900 as nothing else, perhaps showed the minds of women as one. Mrs. Stevens received of the two hundred and twenty-one votes cast two hundred and six. When this ballot was announced the convention arose and sang: "Blest be the tie that binds." I must give you Mrs. Stevens words in full, in accepting the office, and in choosing her Vice-President, and the words of the acceptance of the Vice-President:

MRS. STEVENS:—Beloved comrades, as you were writing your ballots for the one who should be your President during the next year, I thought how great was the responsibility resting upon each one. For ours is a great cause, a beautiful cause, a glorious cause, and when I heard the result of the ballot I can not tell you

what a sense of responsibility came down into my heart. But I tried to look up, and I remember that twenty-five years ago, in the name of Christ I consecrated my life to the work of the Womens' Christian Temperance Union, and I can stand here and say reverently, that I have never been sorry, that I never have faltered. There have been times when I have felt that I could not go on doing all that you expected of me, and I bowed my head day after day on my desk in my home in the Pine Tree State and asked that God would help me more and more, and then I tried to look away to the hills from whence cometh our help.

I thank you. I will try to do the best that I can. I know, beloved, that with me you are thinking of her whose pictured face is before us. I cannot, beloved, be to you what she was, but I will love you as she would like to have you loved. I will do for you and for our cause, with God's help, the best and all that I can, and together, hand in hand and heart to heart, may we press forward toward the mark, toward the victory which is sure to come to our blessed cause if we are loving, hopeful, faithful. I thank you over and over again. And I am grateful too, for these beautiful flowers. I have not had time to find out where they came from, but I thank the heart who thought of them and the hands who brought them.

On motion of Mrs. Ellis, a telegram, announcing the election, was sent to the husband of the President and to her daughter Mrs. Leavitt.

THE PRESIDENT: And now it is the privilege and the constitutional right of the President to nominate the Vice-President-at-large. You will recall, dear friends, what the President said last year in nominating the Vice-President-at-large, and I stand here before you to say now, what you already know, that Anna Gordon was the best Vice-President-at-large that the National W. C. T. U. ever had. During the year she has been everything to the cause, and so much to the President. I take the greatest pleasure in nominating Miss Anna Gordon as Vice-President-at-large of the National W. C. T. U. for the ensuing year. On motion of Mrs. Benjamin, the nomination was accepted, and Miss Gordon elected by a raising vote. Convention sang, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

MISS ANNA GORDON: Dear sisters, I want to thank you for this election, and to say just a word about this beloved President of ours. A little fellow in her own state, who came as one of a surprise party on Mrs. Stevens' birthday last March, described her so well that I am going to tell it right here in the family circle of the W. C. T. U. He stood looking at her as she talked to the boys and girls who were remembering her birthday, and running home after the little occasion was over, he burst into the room and said, "Mamma, I have seen Mrs. Stevens, and, mother, she is the straightest woman in the whole world." (Applause.) I leave it to you if we are not fortunate to have as leader of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union the straightest woman in the whole world. In that she is like the pine trees of her own splendid state.

There were two hundred and sixteen votes cast for Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. Fry received one hundred and seventy-five. For Recording Secretary, two hundred and eleven, and Mrs. Hoffman one hundred and eighty-two of those. Whole number of votes cast for Treasurer, two hundred and thirteen, Mrs. Barker receiving one hundred and ninety. Such an object lesson must have its effect. No one denies there is great difference of opinion in this body of women on some subjects, and yet they differ in love and stand united for the main issue; and in our do-everything policy, which our enemies pronounce our weakness, lies our strength because we have the adhesive quality of God's grace and love to bind the whole into a cord that cannot be broken.

The great event of the convention was moving our headquarters to Evanston, a beautiful city of about thirty thousand with trolley service to make it easy of access. A large majority of the executive and of the convention favored the change. They believe an increased interest in the work of our organization and greater results in its extension and upbuilding will follow the use of this sacred property (all of which will finally revert to the National W. C. T. U.) as a home for the society's offices. The headquarters will be located in the more modern northern part of the house, built by Mrs. Mary B. Willard which is admirably adapted for offices and has more square feet of space for this service than the rooms at present occupied by the National W. C. T. U. in Chicago. Thus under the same roof will be closely associated the ever widening work of the National and the hallowed home in the south side of the house, of the one who was its beloved leader and the originator and inspirer of so many of its plans and purposes, and this part will be kept intact as when Miss Willard lived there.

The General Officers are convinced that with good telephone and messenger service which can be well afforded under the new plan, the work will not suffer on account of the offices being removed twelve miles from Chicago. Our headquarters are a National center and visitors, whether White Ribboners or not, who desire to call on the General Officers will now have the added incentive of seeing Miss Willard's home, which has for years been a Mecca for many



travelers who have paid a visit there but have not called at headquarters in Chicago for lack of time. A glance at the Rest cottage register for the last two months will readily sustain the belief that this will continue to be true.

The memorial services of the convention were conducted very impressively by Mrs. Stevens. Thirty names in the roll. Six of the thirty were honoraries, one honoray from Indiana, Mr. J. Allen Balch, of Central Union, Indianapolis. I give much space to the press report not because Indiana looks well in the report but because there is so much in getting our work before the notice of the public.

The silver star given to the state making the greatest advance in press work this year goes to Indiana. The judges wavered between Indiana and New York, both were so excellent. Indiana's superintendent has taken up the novel plan of saving the clippings, pasting them on paper, and displaying them at conventions. Seven hundred and seventy-six feet in column width were taken to their state conventions, and brought to the National. This plan will be suggested by the National superintendent for all the states this year.

Mrs. Horning showed as an object lesson the newspaper clippings made by Indiana, and in the absence of the state superintendent, presented the prize for best reports on presswork—a silver star—to Mrs. McWhirter with the hope that the state would continue to "clip on, paste on and press on."

Mrs. ROUNDS: What seems to be the matter with Indiana? (Cries of, "She's all right!")

Mrs. McWhirter accepted the star in a fitting and characteristic speech, hoping the star might guide the wise women to Indianapolis in 1900. I could tell you as good things of all the departments reporting if space would admit.

Monday night was state benefit night and California, Missouri, South Dakota and Indiana were on the platform to share in the benefit, the four states having made a gain in membership of five hundred and over. Said Mrs. McDonald president of South Dakota: When I reached Huron, S. D., on my way here, there were great preparations being made for the coming of President McKinley and his cabinet, and a gentleman said to me, "Why, you are not going away so early in the morning, President McKinley is to be here." I said, "I am going to see a president who, if with a little scratch of the pen she could put into effect that canteen law, she would do it." (Applause.) Mrs. Hoffman, president of Missouri, and Mrs. Peet, of California, were very pleasing in their remarks.

Miss Gordon then stepped to the front of the platform with the white golden-starred banner and said:

Very tenderly and lovingly and gratefully do we think to-night of Frances E. Willard as we present these beautiful prize banners, the last tangible gift she made to the Women's Christian Temperance Union, a gift in the interest of an increase in membership in our beloved organization. There are four of these banners, all copies of a banner that she dearly loved and that she named the "White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner." To-night we will present only the banner that goes to the state having made the largest increase in membership.

Miss Gordon then presented the banner to Mrs. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, whose state for the second time had made the largest gain, and who stood with her young son and daughter beside her to receive it.

Mrs. McWHIRTER: One year ago it was a great surprise to us at our state convention to know that we had made sufficient gain in membership to be entitled to the banner. When we came to St. Paul and this banner was given to us, we were not puffed up. We went home with a burden greater than we can explain to you to-night, because we realized that added responsibility had been given to us, and that in order to be worthy of the banner, we must keep up the momentum, that we must go on and not falter.

It has been said over and over again since our coming here, that we have made a success. Friends, we have not counted it as such. We know the roads we have traveled, and we know that Indiana contains a thousand open saloons. We recognize that the strongest organization to-day in the state of Indiana is that of the Liquor League; we know that the league has money, has power and has political friends, and that as such it wields an influence in the courts and in the legislature that we cannot hope to wield until we are stronger. We represent to-day five thousand women, the truest and best, I believe, of all in the whole nation, over whose hearts flutter the white ribbon; women who have come into the work because they had a conviction. We will go on and on, until there shall be no license laws in the state of Indiana.

The Indiana delegation came to the platform and sang the state song.

Dear Sisters do you read the *Union Signal*? Well, with its sixteen pages there is not room to tell the convention story only in the briefest manner, and in our dear little MESSAGE it must be still briefer. However, I hope there has been enough said, for you to get the step and be filled with zeal to make that march "on and on" our beloved President spoke of, until our grand Hoosier State shall be free from the rule of ruin; and not only our own State, but all the world.

### HADLEY SCHOOL.

DEAR READERS—We write you with the assurance that you are anxious to hear from the dear girls in the school and other matters pertaining to their interests. The day-school opened with thirty girls in the home. There was delay in the opening, owing to disappointment in securing a teacher.

At the meeting of the board held November 1st it was decided that we could not take more girls until larger accommodations were provided. Our present capacity is strained to care for the thirty now in the school. The erection of the laundry building is being pushed by a competent force of workmen and we hope to have it completed before the winter closes in on us. Mr. Carnack spends much time in the home, looking after the workmen, seeing about building material and aiding the managers in lines of economy in all departments of work. Mrs. Bettie Parker, our new superintendent, seems to be carrying her work in a systematic way and the girls seem happy and interested in their daily routine of duties.

We are resting in the thought, that all subscriptions to the laundry building will come in at once, so that we can make entire settlement when building is finished. And please do not forget that we need running expenses.

Sincerely yours, LUCRETIA HOBART.

### Report of Hadley Industrial School for September.

RECEIPTS.	
Hellen Ader Sherfey, paid in full on memorial	\$ 5 00
Maay D. Clark, on century pledge	1 00
Ethel McWhirter	10 00
F. T. McWhirter, on west Indianapolis property	1 23
Julia R. Wood on century pledge	1 00
Mary Moody	1 00
Wm. Cox	1 00
Mrs. Harriett Cowglin	5 00
Rena P. Smith	1 00
Isabel Batman	2 00
Mary Lung	4 00
Clara Myers	2 00
Alice Tanlinson	5 00
Boston W. C. T. U.	5 00
LaPorte Y. W. C. T. U.	6 00
Centertown W. C. T. U.	5 00
Mrs. Carrie Gould	5 00
Washington county contest	12 30
Knox county L. T. L.	5 00
Collections by Mary Hadley	5 50

We the undersigned agree to subscribe to the building fund of the Laundry building at Hadley Home.

Insurance Fund	\$152 50
Mrs. Louise Wardner, Trustee	3 00
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Trustee	3 00
Mrs. Elizabeth, Socwell, Trustee	3 00
Mrs. Mary J. Flick, Trustee	3 00
Miss Lucretia Hobart, Trustee	3 00
Mr. Carnack	25 00
Mrs. Lena Beck, Monroe county	25 00
Mrs. Carrie Jones	5 00 pd.
Mrs. Curtis, Tippecanoe	5 00
Wells county	10 00
Mrs. Kilmer, Miami county	5 00
Eliza Baker	5 00
Mrs. Ella White	1 00 pd.
Mrs. J. T. McInsey	5 00
Mrs. Nellie Chambers	1 00
Mrs. George Dexter	1 00 pd.
Mrs. Kate Lee	1 00 pd.
Grant county	50 00
Marion county	25 00
Hamilton county	5 00
Park county	5 00
Mrs. M. L. Hobbs	5 00 pd.
Miss Geneva Webb	1 00 pd.
Miss Susie Major	1 00 pd.
Mrs. Day, Floyd county	10 00
Cass county	10 00
Randolph county	5 00 pd.
Warren county	1 00 pd.
West Indianapolis	2 00
Mrs. Thacker	1 00
Mrs. Curtis, Individually	5 00
Parthenia Stevens, Individually	5 00 pd.
Mrs. C. E. Hessey, Manchester	1 00
South Bend	
Mrs. Elizabeth Carver, Alexandria	5 00 pd.
Allen county	10 00
Clinton	10 00
St. Joe	10 00
Monon	5 00
Mrs. Mary Barker, Marion 2nd	5 00
Mrs. Hanton, Richmond	5 00
Mrs. E. Grable	3 00
Greencastle	2 00
Mrs. Emma Pownell	5 00
Ora Windslow	5 00
Mrs. Emma Joyce	5 00
Clara Sears	1 00 pd.
Florence Hoveley	5 00
Mrs. Alma Shaw	5 00
Mrs. Hannah Graves	5 00
Mrs. Belle Flowers	3 00
Mapleton	5 00
Mrs. F. E. Stevenson, Otterbein	1 00 pd.
Mrs. Lindley	5 00
Wabash	5 00
Manilla Union	2 00
Hallelujah class, Marion	5 00
Kate Lebrick	5 00
Mrs. Tones, Shelbyville	5 00
Mrs. Milt Peters, Marion	1 00
Mrs. Shook, New Petersburg	1 00
Mrs. Beckett	2 75
Auburn, Dekalb	5 00
Lucy Guy, Petersburg	1 00 pd.
Lebanon	5 00
North East Union, Indianapolis	2 00
Tillie Morris	1 00
Mrs. C. P. Wright, Logansport	1 00 pd.
Rose McIntosh, Hoagland	1 00 pd.
Mary Thomas (Mrs. Haughton)	5 00
Covington union, Mrs. K. Boord, South Bend	
Two Friends	1 25 pd.
H. A. Davis, Cartersburg	1 00 pd.
Mrs. Brunt, South Marion	1 00 pd.
Mrs. Southworth, Marion	1 00 pd.

Pledged at Marion W. C. T. U. convention \$388 00  
Paid..... 41 25

Send all money orders to Ripple, Ind., not Board Ripple.

### Directory of New Board for Hadley School.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton county, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple.  
Mrs. Louise R. Wardner, LaPorte, Ind.  
Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg, Ind.  
Mrs. Louise Rush, Fairmoun, Ind.  
Mrs. Anna Mills, Klondike st. W., Indianapolis.  
Mrs. James Tarleton, above 21st st. College Ave. Indianapolis.

DEAR SISTERS—By you responding so readily at Marion convention toward the building of our laundry and milk cellar we have begun the work. Our architect assures us the building will be completed in four weeks and I will ask those giving pledges to forward same to me as soon as convenient as we want to pay all bills promptly receiving some reduction by so doing. Our girls are all delighted to know of these needed improvements being made. And can say for the board and girls many thanks to our dear women who have contributed toward this improvement. Let me hear from you soon.  
Sincerely yours, REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

DERA LOYAL LEGIONERS—Having received a letter of sympathy for the illness of my father, which prevented me from attending this very important test convention, and appreciation for work done, written by Miss Ina Boyer, state treasurer, in behalf of the L. T. L. executive and Legioners of the state, I wish to express to all my gratitude for this kindness. I thank you for your loyalty to me and to the cause which is so dear to me, and congratulate you upon the return of your former efficient secretary, Mrs. Straw.

I am glad that I have been considered worthy to be used as God's instrument to carry on the work until she could feel able to resume her duties. I hope that she may feel that nothing has been lost, but something gained and that there has been some advancement. I have enjoyed and been greatly blessed by our association together. I hope to hear of increased enthusiasm and a great increase in numbers.

There are one hundred and eighty-six now studying for diplomas who will be added to your number of graduates next year. A number of these were to have finished this year, but were hindered for some reason.

We are receiving encouraging reports from Seattle. Press onward. You have a grand work before you. Continue in your loyalty, be earnest in your fight for "God and home and native land" and "Work to win."

Lovingly and faithfully,  
AMANDA R. GORDON.

### The Bluffton Union.

Although the Bluffton union has lost by death two of its faithful members, quite recently, we are steadily gaining in numbers and in enthusiasm. A visit to the county, paid on November 5th was attended with good results, one signer to the pledge being secured.

We expect to carry forward the work of twelve departments this year, and we are proffered a column in the *Bluffton Banner* to aid us in bringing our work before the people of the county.

On last Friday, two of our members drove five miles through a blustering snowstorm to attend our regular meeting. They were damp and cold when they reached the city, but their ardor in the cause had survived the chill of the storm, and they entered into the spirit of the meeting as heartily as if the June sun and the June roses were having a holiday.

We want to greatly increase the number of subscribers to the MESSAGE during the year, and we could easily make the number of subscriptions equal our membership if we could secure several more honorary members. May the good work go on,  
MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
Sup't. of Press.

### Systematic and Proportionate Giving.

MY DEAR CO-WORKERS:—Sickness keeps me from attending the State Convention, after I had planned so long to go, but of course it was all for the best. In regard to the important work of our department, do let each and every one of the local and county workers in this branch of the work "do their level best. Angels can do no more than that." Our work has progressed well for the last year, but we must not be satisfied with that but press forward. Repeatedly I have made out the list of questions so will not take up space by sending them again. I believe you all know what they are, if you do not, send me a card and I will write a letter to you giving them again. Keep full reports and write to me from time to time, telling of the work and of your plans and desires. I have leaflets which can be furnished you at twenty-five cents for one hundred. May you all be prospered in the work, and may we come to the close of the year bringing many sheaves with us. Yours Sincerely,  
S. M. SHELTON,

Livonia, Ind., Nov. 2, 1899.



## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Jessie Butler, former President of Warren county, Indiana, now of Urbana, Illinois, was made State Superintendent of literature, recently at the State Convention. Indiana women will shine wherever they go.

Grant county had a convention jubilee at Jonesboro, November thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth. "Gather up the fragments that nothing be lost."

Greencastle, Putnam county, reports thirteen departments, and the intention of doing is permeating the entire union.

Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, President of Marion county, has organized a union at Rushville. Officers not reported yet. Mrs. Gipe has recently held a very successful mothers meeting at Fort Wayne.

A letter written November sixth, at Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California, from our President tells us of her delightful trip through Washington and Oregon, and her week's visit at Roseburg with relations where she organized a Y. and added thirty members to their Union. The Mayor of the town, one of the noted converts. We know all the friends enjoy knowing our sister and her children are enjoying the trip and advancing the cause.

Ripley county Sunman calls for James C. Gipe, L. T. L. President of Indiana, to organize a legion for them. The President of the county Mrs. Josie Thackery, writes very encouragingly of their work.

Harrison county, Elizabeth, calls for an organizer, and we hope the call will be answered with a worker very soon.

Whitley county, Churubusco, Mrs. Emma Pressler is active in medal work.

Huntington county Convention November 16th and 17th at Warren. A gold medal contest.

Randolph county, Modoc, will work for a curfew law.

Clinton county, Sedalia, has elected new officers. President, Mrs. Mattie Peaters; Vice-President, Miss Ella hoof; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sorals Miller; Treasurer, Miss Laura Morford. The union was represented at the county convention at Rossville, and also at the State convention loud in praise of our President, Mrs. McWhirter. Mrs. KATE COAPSTICK.

Hendricks county, Coatsville, has a new Y. of ten members, organized by Mrs. Squiers of Martinsville, Nov. 3rd.

#### Report of Rossville, Clinton county W. C. T. U. Convention.

FRANKFORT, IND., NOV. 6, 1899.  
Convention was held at Rossville, September 19th. Our county President, Mrs. Emma Saylor, presided with her usual grace. The new officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Emma Saylor; Corresponding Secretary, Elizabeth Dwyer; Recording Secretary, Chlora Fortune; Treasurer, Sarah Miller, Sedalia; Evangelist, Mrs. Coudon, Frankfort; Press, Mrs. Dwyer; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Julia Humes; Narcotics, Mrs. Steckel; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Hinds; Franchise, Mrs. Angie Cole; Christian citizenship, Mrs. Jennie Steckel; Sabbath Observance, Lenora Carter; Medal Contest, Mrs. Morfit; Purity, Mrs. Boyeer; Y. Branch, Mrs. Condon; L. T. L., Emma Sazler; Parlor meeting, Jennie Harshman.

Reports of unions show much good work done in all departments, and Clinton county W. C. T. U. was never in as flourishing condition. Our State President was with and was helpful through the day sessions, and her lecture in the evening was a rare treat. The Rossville union, and the Ministers, and Professors of the Schools, and other friends of the cause assisted in making the convention one of the best ever held in the county. In the evening, forty children favored the audience with their music and singing. Mrs. McWhirter is a great favorite in the State. She is an excellent speaker, has a pleasing personality, and is doing a noble work for the temperance cause.

ELIZABETH DWYER, Cor. Sec'y.

Howard county held the most interesting convention this year in Kokomo that has been our pleasure to attend. While the number of White Ribboners as well as the attendance of visitors were perhaps not so great as we would have wished, yet the interest was there. We certainly appreciated having our state president, Mrs. McWhirter with us and trust she may come again. We think we awoke some spirit of interest as two ministers not only gave us some encouraging words but gave their money as honorary members. The ex-mayor, Hon. J. B. Kirkpatrick, gave us a very interesting address suggestive of how we can form popular opinion through the press, and we hope our sisters will not neglect this important avenue.

EMMA W. MOORE,  
Howard County press reporter.

## Allen County.

The W. C. T. U's. met in their annual convention in the M. E. Church in Hoagland, which had been very tastefully decorated for the occasion. The convention opened at 1:30 Thursday afternoon, September 14th, with Mrs. Omo, the county president, presiding. The first session we listened to reports, principally, some of which were very encouraging and gave evidence of faithful work. Especially Mrs. Loutitt's report of Mothers' meetings. Thursday evening Rev. Anislie, of Ft. Wayne, lectured to a large and appreciative audience on the subject, "Some up-to-date methods of Temperance work." Friday morning was devoted to the discussion of various lines of work, and the election of officers which resulted in the following: President, Mrs. Emily McIntosh; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. A. Orno; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ida J. McIntosh; Treasurer, Dr. Carina Banning. We feel that new energy was aroused, inspiration received and efforts encouraged, to press on and do more efficient work in the coming year. May God crown our efforts with success.

COUNTY PRESS SUP'T.

## Sabbath Observance.

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS:—The results of last year's work in this department are very gratifying, and I want to thank you all who labored so earnestly for the cause, not only for the assistance you gave but for the kind words and acts of cheer you so freely bestowed. In our rejoicing let us pledge anew our energies to the cause, and give of our time and talent that the Lord's day may be preserved. Nothing that we can do will be more effective than the circulation of good literature. The department has more than fifty different leaflets bearing upon various phases of the Sabbath question, and these should be distributed everywhere throughout the state. Let us print and circulate the Sabbath laws and have them published in as many papers as possible; such publications prove to be sensational news, so little do people know of their laws. The laws can be obtained from any attorney or justice for the asking. Request your minister to preach sermons and to write articles on Sabbath Observance for Saturday Editions of your daily papers. Do not be backward about pushing your work. When the people see you are in earnest they become interested. Ask young people's societies to have a Sabbath Observance committee, they will be glad to work with you, for christian young people are anxious to advance this cause.

Elkhart county's new Superintendent, Mrs. Travis, reports that her county is already organized, with a Superintendent in each local union in the county, and much work has already been done.

The following questions which should be answered quarterly will give you an idea of the lines of work we wish to advance this year:

1. Number of Superintendents, county and local.
2. How many pages of literature distributed?
3. How many items to public press? Give circulation of the papers.
4. How many public meetings held?
5. How many prayer meetings held?
6. How many mass meetings held?
7. How many sermons preached?
8. How many Sunday Schools and L. T. Ls. addressed?
9. How many signatures to Sabbath pledge?
10. How many Sunday Schools have had pledge signing?
11. How many signatures to National Sunday rest petitions?
12. How many signatures to other Sabbath Observance petitions?
13. What have you done to close Sunday saloons?
14. What have you done to stop Sunday base ball?
15. Have you done anything against Sunday excursions or Sunday newspapers?
16. Is Sabbath desecration increasing or diminishing?
17. What other Sabbath Observance work have you done?

KATIE WERT HOLLER, State Supt.,  
South Bend, Indiana.

Let one who can do no more, express his fraction of public sentiment by a letter or at least by sending the following:

## Mail Box Referendum.

(Send to Congressman elected last November.)

Believing that you will be glad to know sentiment of constituents I send this informal vote for the rejection or expulsion of Brigham H. Roberts.

Name: .....

Residence: .....

## Quarterly Department Meeting.

## DECEMBER PROGRAM.

Open with ten minute song service in charge of Musical director or the singers of the union.

Scripture and prayer by superintendent of Evangelistic department. Vice-president preside and explain the quarterly Department meeting and its object, and state that our department work comes under six general divisions. Give them in the order in which they are found in our minutes, and then have a ten minute paper or talk follow on each of the subjects. The president of the union taking that of organization, and assigning the others as is considered best. Collection by the L. T. L's. or Y's. if the union has these hopeful and helpful allies. Be careful to all wear their badges. Decorate. Close with benediction or Lord's Prayer.

## The Coming Event.

The National Woman's Suffrage Association holds a business conference at Indianapolis, Dec. 7 and 8 in the Plymouth church. W. C. T. U. sisters would call this a meeting of their executive committee. The afternoon and evening meetings will be for the general public, ten cents admission fee to the evening meetings.

Chairmen of local committees, General committee or of the whole, Mrs. Grace Julian Clark; Committee on entertainment, Mrs. R. B. F. Piece; on reception of visitors at the church, Mrs. Mary Moody and Mrs. Ballard; Committee on Decoration, Miss Mary Rariden 1419 Alabama street; Press, Mrs. Mary W. Wallace, 1137 North Meridian street. Object in view, organization of the state and local society.

## COATESVILLE, IND., NOV. 6, 1899.

Mrs. McWhirter:—I am requested to send a report of our W. C. T. U. to the MESSAGE. We had Mrs. Ida B. Squier and little Emma with us last Friday night, Saturday and Sunday. The Baby Squier recital Saturday night was excellent. It was the best entertainment held here for years. Mrs. Squier's lecture Friday and Sunday nights were interesting and helpful. The old members were much encouraged and eleven new members were secured. A Y. W. C. T. U. of about eight members was organized. We can heartily recommend Mrs. Squier as an earnest efficient worker.

Yours,

MRS. MINNIE HUNT, Cor. Sect'y.

## PREMIUMS.

## To be Offered for This Year's Medal Workers.

The county or medal worker who will hold four Diamond contests will be entitled to a grand gold medal, or a set of Miss Willard's books free.

The county or medal worker who will hold five Grand-gold contests, will be entitled to a small-gold medal, or a life-size picture of Miss Willard, framed, free.

The county or medal worker who will hold five Small-gold contests will be entitled to any silver medal free.

Work to begin Oct. 7, 1899, and will close Oct. 6, 1900. It is a great injustice to contestants not to give them opportunity to complete their course and receive their diplomas. Let us do so this year.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

## Take Notice. Send Orders.

Minutes will be out November seventeenth, and if orders are in, will be in the mails by night of the nineteenth on their way to the women. Do not fail to read this and order at once. Send fifteen cents if they are to be sent by mail ten cents a copy if you pay express. SECRETARY.

## A DOLLAR BOOK FOR FORTY CENTS.

We have on hand less than a thousand copies of Dr. Mary Wood-Allen's popular allegorical physiology, "The Marvels of Our Bodily Dwelling." We want to get rid of these before the appearance of the new edition. Hence we make the following offer: To every person sending in one dollar for a year's subscription to the New Crusade, forty cents for the physiology and ten cents additional for postage, we will send a copy of "The Marvels of Our Bodily Dwelling."

This book reads like a fairy story. In it the body is compared to a house, and one is fascinated from the very start to see how the comparison may be carried out. You read of the foundations, frame-work, sheathing, thatch, reception room, laundry, kitchen, dining room, force-pump, electrical system. Old and young are alike interested in the delightful story of the marvels of the body. You could not find a better

## Christmas Present for your Boy or Girl.

The New Crusade, is a magazine for the home. It contains articles of interest to every member of the family. It is especially helpful for father and mother, as it tells them in a practical, simple way, how to bring up their children aright. Its editor, Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, is a mother of experience as well as a physician. She is ably fitted to give the assistance parents need, and she is universally regarded as an authority on all matters pertaining to the home. YOU WILL NEVER HAVE SUCH A CHANCE AGAIN.

New Crusade for one year	-	-	\$1.00
Marvels of Our Bodily Dwelling	-	-	1.00
Postage	-	-	.10
Total	-	-	\$2.10

The two will be sent for only \$1.50. Send at once before our supply of books is exhausted. Personal checks or stamps not accepted.

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# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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A partnership with God is motherhood. What strength, what purity, what self-control, what love, what wisdom should belong to her who helps God fashion an immortal soul!—Mary Wood-Allen.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

*Greetings to My White Ribbon Sisters*—The Indiana delegates and friends en route to the National W. C. T. U. convention at Seattle, Washington, went in a special sleeper from Chicago to Seattle via Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Northern Pacific lines. Leaving Chicago Friday evening, October 13th, that we might visit the Twin Cities, St. Paul and Minneapolis, a stop over of about ten hours was granted at St. Paul. This gave time and opportunity for seeing the cities. We visited the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis, which is splendidly equipped with facilities for the education of the sons and daughters of that State. We went out to Minnehaha Falls. In the walking and the climbing we almost wished for Hiawatha's moccasins.

Sunday was spent in the Prohibition State of North Dakota. The services in all the Protestant churches of the city were conducted by White Ribboners. Carriages were provided by the citizens of Fargo to take all delegates and their friends to and from the churches. In the afternoon a great mass meeting was held in the large opera house. We were welcomed by Mayor Johnson, Judge Pollock, the State W. C. T. U. President, Miss Elizabeth Preston, whom Judge Pollock called our "Queen Bess," the ministers, the local W. C. T. U. and others. Responses were made by our National officers and others. The audience was very large and enthusiastic. Somehow we seemed to feel strangely at home there, especially when Judge Pollock, who represents a large constituency on the judicial bench, and Mayor Johnson so strongly advocated Prohibition. What Mayor Johnson says of the condition of Fargo under Prohibition will be given to the readers of the MESSAGE in the next issue.

## PROHIBITION LAWS PROHIBIT.

Placards, saying "No wines or liquors sold in North Dakota," are placed in the dining cars on the trains that pass through the State. In the dining car wines and liquors are served in all States having licensed liquor laws, except where there has been some special legislation against it. This is only in one or two States. On our long journey across Montana, Idaho and Washington we realized that there were many men who made frequent trips to the dining car. A ranchman, a Swede, who was drinking, aroused our interest and attention. He seemed to appeal to us for help from himself and several gamblers who seemed intent on keeping him under the influence of liquor.

This was evident as he boarded our train in Montana with seven hundred dollars, half or more of which had disappeared—no doubt into these gamblers' pockets. The Swede, Gus Closson, was en route to Seattle. At his request, Mrs. Thayer, of Plymouth, allowed him to put the remainder of his money into her care. Upon our arrival at Seattle, Mrs. Thayer and Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Stanley went with Mr. Closson and deposited the money in the bank to his credit. He was penitent and felt helpless under the tyranny of the alcohol appetite. He told us of his home in far-off Sweden, his christian parents, their death, etc., of his mother's dying when he was sixteen years old, and her last request that he be a good boy. How he came to this country and learned to drink. The curse of God will surely rest upon a so-called christian nation that will not only send liquid death to heathen nations but will deal it out to landing emigrants at its very gates. God help us to wage our warfare against the liquor traffic in all of its forms!

After traveling for several days and nights with people, you feel interested in them if in any way they appeal to you. Our party was in every way congenial, loving and kind. Every heart responsive to humanity's needs and with unselfish effort trying to help work out God's great plans. How I wish that I could tell you all of the true, the beautiful and the good we found in

the companionship of those short days—they were short to us, for they were freighted with hours of souls communion, which only tried spirits know. Such privileges give us a glimpse of that higher, better life in the great beyond.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

(Continued next issue.)

## HONORS TO INDIANA W. C. T. U.

The White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner for the greatest gain in membership last year of any State in the Nation.

The Silver Star awarded to the State Superintendent of the Press, making the best report of any in the Nation. This came to our own dear Mrs. Florence Vance, whose column of newspaper clippings measured 777 feet.

The National Department of W. C. T. U. Institutes was given to Indiana's State Superintendent of that department, Miss Mary Hadley, who is also our State Vice-President. By her ability, constancy and loving faithfulness, Miss Hadley has, by the co-operation of the loyal membership, enabled us to stand far ahead of all other States in Institute work. From many states inquiries regarding our Institute plan have been received during the past year, because the National officers had referred other States to Indiana.

Upon recommendation of Mrs. Varilla F. Cox, of New Jersey, the National Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, was elected Associate Superintendent of the National Department of Sabbath Observance. This is surely a just recognition of the splendid plans and great work accomplished in this department by Mrs. Holler as Indiana's State Superintendent.

Upon the recommendation of Miss Esther Pugh, National Superintendent of Proportionate and Systematic Giving, Mrs. S. M. Shelt, our State Superintendent of the Department, was elected to serve as an Associate Superintendent of the National Department. Mrs. Shelt is a gifted woman who has furnished some of the best literature used by the department.

## TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

I hope you will understand this letter and believe I write it, as I trust, with the greatest conception of love that I am capable of. I attended the Woman's Equal Suffrage Conference of their National in our city December 7th and 8th. I found I could not give my name to the local society formed here without the feeling that I had denied Christ. They were so particular to have you understand they were not a religious organization and did not so much as acknowledge God in the opening of any one of the meetings by a form of prayer. While the program was very entertaining and some of it instructive, yet there was a lack in the meeting. The first evening they had a full house and it was a large audience; the second evening a smaller audience. To my knowledge the absence of prayer on the first evening kept several home on the second one.

They explained they had one object only, woman's ballot, asking it on the ground of justice and right; and in the face of that they name over organizations, such as the W. R. C. and Red Cross, giving those societies credit for the educational work they had done. They said there was no suffrage work in Indiana, except a few local clubs, entirely ignoring the fact of our W. C. T. U. county and local workers, and the presence of our State Superintendent, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins. Dear sisters, our suffrage department has most excellent plans thought out and to some extent wrought out by our National and State workers and what we do is done in the name of God. We may expect His blessing.

I do most sincerely trust that white ribbon women will do their suffrage work in their own organization. I hope we shall not make the mistake of many excellent men whose lives have the appearance of being Christians, except when they vote. We white ribbon women claim to be Christians all the time and that will

mean when we work for suffrage, too. There was a State Association formed, too. A Mrs. Julian, of this city, was made President; Mrs. Armstrong, of Kokomo, Vice-President. I regret I cannot give the name of Secretary; she is from Irvington. The Treasurer is Mrs. Alice B. Waugh, Tipton. Mrs. Catt, their National Organizer, is a very pleasant and forceful speaker. Miss Mary G. Hay is her co-worker in the field and was present in the meetings. Dear Miss Anthony is looking well and carries her age wonderfully. A Mrs. Upton, of Ohio, their Treasurer, while claiming that she was not a speaker, did some good talking in quite an original way. I have not learned how the conference regarded the success of the occasion. However, I should say it was a success. In closing I wish to emphasize that I shall do all I can for woman's ballot under the white ribbon banner. Your comrade in service,

MARY E. BALCH.

## GIBSON-CAMMACK.

10:30 on Thanksgiving morning, in the bride's home, with a few relatives and friends present, among the members her father, our Mattie Cammack was married to Mr. Daniel Gibson, of Grant County. For the present they will reside in a suburb of Marion, Jonesboro, and Mrs. Gibson's mail will reach her if addressed Marion or Jonesboro. We know the one question all white ribboners are asking is, Do we lose her as a worker? We are glad we can answer no, we do not, and because this is true we all the more heartily join in our congratulations and assure Mr. Gibson that we regard him as a very fortunate man, blessed of God.

By the generous consideration of Mr. Gibson, our State W. C. T. U. will have the privilege of still claiming Mrs. Gibson as an organizer and Institute leader. This is greatly appreciated. We feel that the family circle has been enlarged by the addition of a brother. Welcome! Congratulations hearty and sincere to these two people who have renewed childhood friendships.

Mr. Gibson is a successful business man of Jonesboro. He is a prohibitionist, a "Friend," and in perfect sympathy with the W. C. T. U. work. He is also a Woman's Suffragist. He and Mrs. Cammack have known each other for years, therefore could not be deceived or make a mis-alliance. He will make a good father for her children. He has lived a clean, pure, moral life, consequently has a high appreciation of women and their work.

## ATTENTION, DELEGATES!

Have you reported the National Convention to the Unions of the group of counties sending you as a delegate? If not, why not? They need the help and inspiration which your reports will give them. Unions that send delegates should insist on having full reports. A few delegates had passes, while two or three were able to pay their own expenses, but the majority expected to have their expenses paid, wholly or in part, by the counties sending them. We have heard complaints from some delegates that the Unions sending them were not paying their assessments. Sisters, this ought not so to be. The Convention of '99 was the most expensive in our history. Conventions cannot be held without delegates and it is not right to ask any woman to represent you and then fail to fall in with the State plan and pay the assessment due from each Union.

Remember the Golden Rule.

The Broad Ripple W. C. T. U. was delighted by a lecture to women only, by Mrs. Cammack October 15. Recently our County Superintendent of Narcotics read a paper on the evils of narcotics to a little audience in the home of one of our sisters, Mrs. Kirkpatrick. Our ladies gave a thank offering meeting at the home of Sister Lydia Heady's November 23, 1899, which was well attended. Nice refreshments were served after the meeting. The offering amounted to a little over seven dollars, which was sent in to the Hadley Home Fund.

MRS. MATILDA E. S. WHITE,  
Recording and Corresponding Secretary.



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All communications intended for the *MESSAGE* should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

DECEMBER, 1899.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

### LITERATURE.

"Some people are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." I belong to the last class, as I was chosen to take Miss Moser's place without my knowledge or consent. But since the Executive Committee saw fit to confer this honor upon me, I shall try to do the best I can. Dear sisters, let us labor together to make the coming year the best that Indiana has ever seen for the distribution of literature. We can reach many people in this way that can be reached in no other. So long as the saloon is in our midst we must labor in every way possible for its overthrow. I have a leaflet on "Literature," in which you will, I think, find helpful suggestions in your work. I would like for each Union to use them and carry out the work therein planned. They can be had for forty cents per hundred. Let each County Superintendent send me her name and address at once, and if there is any way in which I can be helpful in her work I will gladly do all I can. Below you will find a list of questions to be answered in the Annual Report. They will help you in keeping an account of your work done.

1. Name of Superintendent, County or Local.
2. Number of pages of literature distributed *a*, new literature, *b*, second-hand literature.
3. Number *Union Signals* taken. Number *MESSAGES* taken.
4. How many Department Superintendents have ordered literature from the W. T. P. A. through you?
5. How many ministers supplied with the *Union Signal*? How many with the *MESSAGE*?
6. How many editors supplied with the *Union Signal*? How many with the *MESSAGE*?
7. How many public libraries or reading rooms supplied with temperance literature?
8. At how many public meetings have you distributed literature?
9. How many wall pockets in public places kept supplied with fresh, up-to-date temperance literature?
10. How much money expended for literature?
11. Make any suggestions that you think will help the work in your locality or in the state.

The County and Local report blanks are the same.

MRS. ETTA AYRES,  
State Superintendent.

### BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW.

"Then they cried, saying: Wherefore dost thou deal thus with thy servants? There is no straw given thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick, and behold thy servants are beaten; but the fault is thine own people."

Any comparison may be pushed to the point of absurdity, but the sole object of our text is to impress upon the mind of every woman interested in the temperance reform the vital importance of rendering all assistance possible to the thousands of loyal, devoted teachers, who are endeavoring to train up intelligent men and women with high principles and purposes and who need our most cordial and helpful support in the work they are doing against the most trying odds.

This is especially true in the efforts to give sound and intelligent scientific temperance instruction. Not every teacher has that special knowledge or training that will enable her to present this subject with force and clearness, and therefore lacking the "straw," many are at a loss to know how to proceed.

"Straw" is provided already for the use of these willing teachers in the *School Physiology Journal*. Every month this paper contains carefully prepared lessons for primary, intermediate and high school classes, in temperance physiology, with valuable suggestions for giving the lessons, and authoritative quotations from the most eminent scientific authorities in the world regarding the physical effects of the use of alcohol and narcotics.

To the teacher who is obliged to rely much on her own efforts in gathering material for her lessons, this paper is a constant blessing. To the teacher who is eager to supplement her own general knowledge, the *Journal* is no less a boon. To both it brings every month in its lessons, editorials and general articles a fresh store of the latest facts and aspects of temperance truth and thus keeps the teacher thoroughly informed as to the progress and every new phase of the question.

The *Journal* is attractive in form, has charming illustrations and beautiful selections of verse, short illustrative stories for the little ones and a series of historical articles for the elder pupils. There is no easier or more practical way of helping temperance reform than by placing this journal in the hands of every teacher. The cost is small, the price being sixty cents for a single subscription, fifty cents in clubs of five and forty cents in clubs of fifty. Few women could not personally send at least one copy for a year to some teacher. Almost any Union can supply the teachers of their own locality. The results are definite and encouraging. The cause of saving the next generation is urgent. We cannot justly blame teachers for failure if we have neglected to give them any assistance in our power, lest like the workers of old, they rise up and say, "the fault is thine own people." Address Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull Street, Boston, Mass.

As no notice has appeared in your columns of our County Convention, our President requests me to send you a few words concerning it. It was held a little while before the State Convention and I suppose my report was crowded out of sight in the busy time. Blackford County annual Convention held a two days' session in the M. E. church. Our lovely State President was with us part of the time and won all hearts. The weather was oppressively warm and both evenings there were violent thunderstorms. The papers and addresses were of the highest order. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. M. H. Stahl; Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Lee; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. Knight; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Prulson. 20 delegates and members attended the State Convention and at the next meeting the "Echoes" were full of interest. If every White Ribboner could attend but one State Convention one day in her life, and also subscribed for the *MESSAGE*, she would be better equipped for her work. Do you not think the visit of the State President to so many counties was felt in the attendance at State Convention? God bless her and all the workers.

L. D. ANDERMON,  
Press Superintendent.

The White Ribboners of Michigan City held a meeting in the interest of the Press Department recently in the large parlor of the Congregational Church. "The Outline Program," as suggested by National Press Superintendent, Mrs. Minnie Horning, was carried out with two slight changes and the addition of good elocutionary talent.

The W. C. T. U. ladies all wore white bow neckties made of tissue paper, with the letters W. C. T. U. and the words "For God and Home and Native Land" printed on one end of the ties, and the word "press" on the other. The waiters wore newspaper caps and aprons, with the names *MESSAGE*, *Union Signal*, *News* and *Despatch* printed on the bands of the caps.

White paper napkins with the word "press" nicely printed across the corner were one of the novelties of the press lunch, and were carried away as souvenirs by the ladies.

It had been announced in the papers that a press lunch with printer's cake would be served at the close of the program. A lady who was present at the serving of the lunch asked what cheese had to do with the word press, and was told that it was pressed milk. The same question was asked about pickles and some one replied that they were pressed down with a board and heavy stone.

The room was decorated with paper fans and a large table was well filled with good literature, temperance papers and leaflets.

The program was a grand success, and the ladies received many congratulations upon their entertainment, although it received but a slight recognition from the press, probably owing to the fact that Michigan City is a whiskey town. It was remarked that had it been a cake walk it would have received at least a quarter column puff.

MRS. R. G. YOUNG,  
County Press Superintendent.

To White Ribbon Sisters of Indiana—If any W. C. T. U. can use some foreign literature, let me know in what language and I will send you some sample leaflets. Do give this your prayerful consideration.

ANNA KILMER,  
State Superintendent.

Lindley Union is progressive; interest is steadily increasing. On the return of our National Delegate, Mrs. Lida Autland, a delightful surprise was planned by the members of her own local Union. On the morning of November 15, many of the members going to her home each with well filled baskets. Just before being seated for dinner, a beautiful copy of God's Holy Word was presented to her by the Union, as a token of loving remembrance for her faithful work and loyalty to the cause. She has served nine years as President of our local Union, and four years as President of Howard County.

After having done full justice to the good things spread before us, all assembled to hear report of National Convention, which was listened to with eagerness for full two hours. Although the half was not told, we were comforted by the lateness of the hour to adjourn, dispersing (with baskets lighter than when we came) and with the resolve to be more faithful to the cause which we represent.

MISS MARY RUTHERFORD,  
Press Superintendent.

The W. C. T. U. Huntington County Convention was held Nov. 16-17 in Warren M. E. church. Seventeen delegates and members were present, besides many visitors and temperance workers. The convention opened with Mrs. Rall, of Huntington, County President, in the chair. Mrs. Cale, President of Warren Union, led the devotional, after which the following committees were appointed: Resolutions, County, Press and Finance. President then gave her address, which was in the form of a message to the mothers and was full of many good thoughts. Noon-tide prayers were led by Mrs. Beck, of Bloomington. Afternoon was taken up with reports and papers on our work. L. T. L. was presented by Mrs. Mason. In the evening Mrs. Beck gave her lecture on "expansion," which was well received. Friday morning, after devotion led by Mrs. Worley, of Warren, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lou Rall; Vice President, Ella Myers; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. James O'Neil; Recording Secretary, Alice Elvin; Treasurer, O. W. Whitelock; Supt. Literature, Mrs. J. W. Ray; Franchise, Pearl Rall; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Hoover; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Mason; Evangelistic, Mrs. Worley; Mercy, Mamie Allman. Convention closed with a medal contest. Medal won by Mrs. R. E. Johnson, of Bluffton. This was the best convention ever held in the county. A small balance was left in the treasury. Warren received a number of new members and a Y organized which bids fair to be a success.

ELLA MYERS,  
Press Representative.

### MERCY DEPARTMENT.

I offer to any County Superintendent, where a county has one, or Local Superintendent where there is no County Superintendent, one dollar's worth of literature for organizing or causing to be organized the most bands of mercy, aggregating the largest number of members. County President, will you not see to it that a Superintendent is appointed in your county at once and urge her to try for the prize? That much literature in my line of work means a great deal to distribute in your county. Please, dear sisters, help me to bring the work of my Department up high this coming year. Let the last State Convention be indeed an inspiration which shall carry us to flood tide of success this year.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

Martin County officers are as follows: President, Miss Susie Major, Loogootee; Treasurer, Miss Effie Williams, Shoals; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Laban Williams, Shoals; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Genevieve Webb, Loogootee.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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## BRANCH SECRETARIES.

*General Secretary Young Woman's Branch*—Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 West 14th street, Anderson.*General Secretary L. T. L. Branch*—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

## I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

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Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francesville.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, Indianapolis.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

*L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work*—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.*Work Among Colored People*—Mrs. Lottie Searls, Wabash.*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.*Scientific Temperance Work*—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, Indianapolis.*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.*The Press*—Mrs. Florence Vance, Frankfort.*Purity*—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.

Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, Lecturer, LaFayette.

*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.*Mothers' Meetings*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.*Narcotics*—Miss Zella Miller, Martinsville.*Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Homes*and *Homeless Children*—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, 72 West Main street, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Spiceland.*Relation of Temperance to Labor, and Law and Statistics*—*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, Indianapolis.*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.

## IV. EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Jeffersonville.*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. J. B. Sucose, 118 N. 8th St.,

LaFayette.

*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.*Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Ellen Denny, Vincennes.*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis.*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

## V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Anna Carr, Anderson.*State and County Fair*—Mrs. M. A. L. Colton, Franklin.

## VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

*Miss Lucretia Hobart*, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.*Mrs. Maggie Cox*, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.*Mrs. Rebecca Hessong*, Treasurer, Broad Ripple.

This remarkable deed was given nine years ago to the W. C. T. U. organization of Indiana and accepted by said organization:

This indenture witnesseth, that Addison Hadley and Martha Jane Hadley, husband and wife, of Hendricks Co., State of Indiana, jointly in consideration and for the purpose of aiding and protecting and educating the class of persons hereinafter named, hereby convey and warrant to Mrs. Mary E. Haggart, Mrs. Lena M. Beck, Mrs. Alice Vining Hastings, Miss Lodie E. Reed, Miss Mary G. Hay, Miss Mary Hadley, Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols, Mrs. Caroline Hodgins and Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, trustees for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, which persons are now duly the selected trustees of said organization, and their successors who may be duly and regularly selected hereafter by said organization, of which Mary E. Haggart is now President, the following described real estate in Hendricks County, State of Indiana, to-wit: The west half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24) in township fifteen (15) north, in range two (2) west. Also, the north thirty acres of the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24), township fifteen (15) north in range two (2) west, in all one hundred and ten acres more or less.

The above described real estate is hereby conveyed and accepted, to be used for a Home and Industrial

School for needy and indigent girls, at such limitation of age as may be determined by, and designated as The Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union Hadley Industrial School for Girls.

The purpose and intention of the grantors in this case are to aid in the establishment of a home and school where the persons hereinbefore described may have the advantages of moral training and Christian and temperance instruction and a literary and industrial education in such pursuits as will enable them to be self-supporting, that they may be thereby prepared for useful lives, and that the cause of humanity and the religion as taught by our Savior Jesus Christ may be promoted in the world.

In harmony with the foregoing purposes, the following conditions must be regarded and observed by the grantors herein and their successors:

First: That under no circumstances or pretense shall said real estate or the rents or profits thereof be used for any other purposes than these specified herein.

Second: That no intoxicating liquors nor narcotics nor tobacco nor anything that may be intended for, or to be used for hilarious or stupefying effect upon the brain or body, shall be produced, sold or used on the premises, except for experimental or mechanical purposes.

Third: No military school instruction or drill or military parade or display, shall be permitted upon this real estate.

Fourth: That no person shall be employed or permitted to reside upon or board or lodge upon said real estate, who is guilty of profane swearing or using obscene, vulgar or vile language, or is of a disreputable character.

Fifth: That no religion shall be preached, read or taught or expounded or in any way permitted or encouraged upon said premises other than the Christian religion as taught and understood by the followers and servants of our Lord Jesus Christ as generally understood and taught at this day by Protestant Churches, nor shall any person be employed in any capacity upon said premises who does not accept and believe the essential truth of Christianity.

Sixth: That there shall be a general assembly for all the officers, inmates and employees, except such as may be excused because of sickness, once each day, at which a portion of the Holy Bible shall be read, followed by an appropriate and reasonable religious service.

Seventh: Every officer, inmate and employee and every other person or persons shall attend a school at some hour each Sabbath for instruction in the Scriptures, and any one who can attend such school but refuses to do so, shall be dismissed from employment or official position, except in the case of a pupil upon the promise of a parent, guardian, matron or the pupil not to repeat such disobedience, and an apology for such conduct.

Eighth: That no style of dress on or about the said premises that is injurious to the health of body or mind shall be worn. And last, but not least, all questions of right and wrong, moral or immoral, just or unjust, and differences of opinion, together with any and all questions that may ever come up, shall be judged and settled by the Spirit and teachings as laid down in the teaching of Christ in what is known as the Sermon on the Mount, as it appears in the Gospel of St. Mathew, 5th, 6th and 7th chapters in the New Testament as it is now printed and in most common use among Christian denominations.

In the event that said organization, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, by ceasing to exist, or the death in whole or any part of the trustees as aforesaid, and the provisions herein made for the selections of trustees, shall fail, then the court in Hendricks county, Indiana, having jurisdiction of probate business, shall select the same number of persons distinguished for religious character and capacity for such business as herein contemplated, and who shall be fully identified and in full harmony with the purposes, provisions and work contemplated by the provisions of this deed as trustees, and fill all vacancies in said number as they may occur, so that said institution and its work may be perpetuated.

If pupils should apply for admission by parent or guardian who are able and willing to pay for their education and expenses, they may be admitted subject to the terms and conditions hereinbefore expressed, if the said trustees so determine, but not to the inconvenience of the class herein first named.

In witness whereof, the said Addison Hadley and

Martha J. Hadley, his wife, have hereunto set their hands and seals this the 28th day of October, 1890.

Signed, ADDISON HADLEY.  
MARTHA J. HADLEY.

## LETTER.

During the past month we have had presented to us a nice large, soft coal stove from Barneman & Doll, of Elkhart, Ind. Also a couch and other valuable articles for the home, amounting to \$20.00, from Mr. Carmack, and yesterday a beautiful large quilt from Quaker, Ind., by the Hopewell Auxiliary of W. F. M. S., for which remembrances we feel grateful, and earnestly thank our Father above for all His rich blessings.

Very sincerely,

MRS. B. M. PARKER,  
Superintendent.

## TO THE SUFFRAGE WORKERS OF THE W. C. T. U. IN THE STATE OF INDIANA.

I am glad to have had the privilege of attending the Suffrage Conference of the National Women's Suffrage Association just held in Indianapolis. Glad to have seen the face and heard the voice of Miss Anthony, a woman just rounding out 80 years, over 50 of which has been spent in working to secure the ballot for women. I was glad also to learn the aim (for they have but one aim) of that Association more perfectly than I had known heretofore.

Their one aim is to secure the ballot for women without honoring God in any public way (from whom cometh every good and perfect gift) and without reorganizing our dear Frances Willard's plan of work in the suffrage department, declaring that there is no suffrage work in Indiana, while the fact is that Indiana has 85 counties in which W. C. T. U. women are at work securing names on petitions and agitating the question of woman's enfranchisement and educating the people by lectures, circulating literature and in many other ways helping to hasten the day when women's cause shall win. The work of the White Ribbon women is ignored entirely when their speakers mention every other philanthropic organization in the nation as helping to swell the suffrage sentiment and leave the Women's Christian Temperance Union out altogether, and that thing was done at the conference over and over again.

Now, women, that Association will not expect help from our ranks, but we will ever pray for them and let them work, and we will endeavor to do a greater work for God and Home and native state, while we work to secure the ballot for Indiana's women, knowing full well that only through the coming of Christ's Kingdom upon the earth can woman come into her rightful kingdom of Edenic equality with men.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Franchise Superintendent.

## NOTICE.

Will those who have made pledges to our Industrial School for Girls through myself or others, kindly send the remittance direct to the wide-awake Treasurer, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Broad Ripple, Ind., who holds all pledges and will receipt you promptly? This will save expense of money orders, unnecessary correspondence, etc.

Also for information in regard to the School please address the up-to-date President of the Board, Miss Lucretia Hobart, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., who will be glad to answer all inquiries in regard to our most hopeful Institution for the dependent little girls of Indiana.

Letters addressed to me are often delayed, as they must sometimes reach me in the field by re-mail, and sometimes chase me about for a while and do not always catch me at a place where I can answer, but if you can catch me by oral questions at conventions, institutes, parlor meetings, meetings for organization, church meetings, or any other kind of meetings, public or private, ask what you will about the School and it shall be granted even to the best of my ability.

Yours in the interest of the School and for economy in time, postage stamps, money orders, etc.

MARY HADLEY.

Bloomington, Ind.

Our valued friends, Dr. and Mrs. Dashiell, have been sent from Aurora to the M. E. Church at Madison.

Mrs. Ada L. Squier is in Hendricks County at work. Every county should plan for systematic organizing work to be done.



For lack of space in this issue of the MESSAGE the Treasurer's report will not appear until the next issue. Blanks were sent to all County Treasurers the last week in November. Any County or Local Union not having received them please notify me and they will be sent at once. If possible, let me hear from every Union in your county, as I am anxious this year's report may far exceed that of last.

A. T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

## FIELD NOTES.

The recent action of a teachers' institute in raising a sum of money to be applied to the debt of the Temple was evidently taken under a serious misapprehension of the facts in the case, if the published reports are authentic.

It is only just to have it distinctly understood that for more than a year the National W. C. T. U. has had no connection with the Temple, having decided after eleven years trial, that it would be impossible to raise the money necessary for its ownership and that its possession would not be of benefit to the society. Therefore, there is a mistake on the part of any one collecting or giving money in the name of the National W. C. T. U., to be applied toward the ownership of the Temple.

It would have saved much confusion if the Young People's Christian Temperance Union, led by Miss Eva Shontz, had taken a more distinctive name, inasmuch as it is an independent organization with some plans and purposes altogether unlike our society, to which it is in no way auxiliary. We cannot too strongly urge our white ribboners to adhere to the plan of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union: the L. T. L. for the children, the Y's for the young people and the W. C. T. U. for the older ones.

Coatsville Union has been greatly blessed by Mrs. Squier's efforts. The Union now has 26 members, of whom 13 are new members. The Coatsville Y, organized by Mrs. Squier, has 16 members. May God bless the girls.

Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, Indiana's efficient State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, has written a leaflet for the Department and expects to send one thousand copies into every county. To help pay for the one hundred thousand copies she is having published, she secured an advertisement for the back page of the leaflet.

Of "A Paradise Valley Girl," by Susanna M. D. Fry, the *Union Signal* says, "As a teacher who has loved and been loved by many girls, the author's intimate knowledge of girl life is apparent, and the beauty of the lesson is not less strong than the conviction it carries. Beautifully bound and illustrated with line drawings and full page halftones. 312 pages. Cloth binding. Price, post-paid, \$1.25. Order of Susanna M. D. Fry, The Temple, Chicago.

As letters from various Unions, especially weak ones, have cheered us and urged us on so much, we thought a young and weak Union wished to help others on in the good work, therefore these facts are submitted to the public. We, the Centerton Union, though but seven months old and consisting of but six paid members, have held one public meeting. Rev. Theo. A. Doubty, of Vincennes, propounded to us facts taken from the text, "The Good Samaritan." We gave an ice cream supper July 18th, at which we cleared nine dollars to replenish our treasury. We are few in numbers, but hope to have more in the future. However, if we are unsuccessful in obtaining more members, we shall not become discouraged, but press on in the work we have commenced and wait patiently for the ones being educated to the work in the L. T. L.

PRESS SUPERINTENDENT.

Tipton Union will conduct an L. T. L. It is encouraging to know when a Union becomes sufficiently aroused to feel its need of educating the children in special temperance work.

There ought to be a W. C. T. U. Press Superintendent in every Union who would secure space in each newspaper in her town and promptly supply the editor with items. Not until this is done can we expect to have the public interested in our cause. Many do not know about our work. Some, on account of prejudice or indifference, are not interested. Let us everywhere make an effort to reach them through the columns of the newspaper. A good Press Superintendent will be responsible for fifty-two or more real W. C. T. U. addresses each year. They are silent, but very ef-

fective. Few people remember more points made by a speaker in an evening than they do from the reading of half a column on the subject in their paper.

Boone County's latest Union, at Lebanon, had a nice meeting last Thursday afternoon. I am sending them the little envelopes for the Hadley Home Thank Offering; also have sent a package to Zionsville with instructions to each. Thorntown Union has prepared a program for its meeting next week, and will attend to the matter.

We have had three good public meetings since the State Convention. Our excellent Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sarah Haller, Thorntown, has secured the co-operation of the High School Professor and all his assistant teachers to hold "Parents' and Teachers' Meetings" once a month in Thorntown. We held our first in November, in the High School building, and organized. We feel that this move will give us a leverage for our Scientific Temperance work. Mrs. Mattie Perry, of this place, is one energetic, skillful worker of this Department. She is making arrangements to place the school law in regard to temperance teaching in the hands of every teacher in the county. She distributed literature among them at our Teachers' Institute. This will be but the beginning of what she has planned to do.

Our Superintendent of Narcotics, Mrs. Anna Todd, prepared a program and secured a full house to hear it at Sugar Plains church on Sabbath afternoon. It was a very successful meeting.

Thorntown W. C. T. U. held their last week's meeting in the auditorium of the M. E. Church. A full program had been prepared and all came to time. Everything was excellent. The first paper was on "Temperance in Our Schools," the second was "Some Hindrances to Prohibition," the former by Mrs. Mattie Perry, the latter by Mrs. Sarah Haller. Both were listened to with interested attention throughout. Rev. T. J. Bassett, pastor of the church, made an earnest talk and greatly strengthened us all in the work. We feel that such meetings do good, and we find they create sentiment in our favor and increase our membership. At Thorntown an L. T. L. has been organized. We are planning for still greater things.

ORPHA G. CRIST.

Loogootee Union officers are, President, Miss Susie Major; Treasurer, Mrs. May Moser; Recording Secretary, Miss Cora Sears; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Genevieve Webb.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires recently finished three days work at Coatsville. She gave an address Friday night, with music, and gave recital under auspices of the Union Saturday night. Sunday night she gave an address. She held two Women's Meetings, organized a "Y" of ten members and secured eleven members and one honorary for the Union; got the Sunday School Department work started, and interviewed the Principal of the school in regard to the Union introducing the Prize Essay contest work. The Superintendent is favorable to it, and they will start the contest work and L. T. L. very soon. All the new members are substantial, influential women.

The National Convention for 1900 has been asked for by the Indianapolis people and by the State W. C. T. U. Many invitations were extended, but the choice, we are assured, will be Indianapolis or Washington City. The following invitations were presented to the National Convention amidst much enthusiasm:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 16, 1899.

My beloved State President—Kindly present the greeting of our County Woman's Christian Temperance Union to the National organization assembled at Seattle, Washington, and extend our most cordial invitation to meet in our beautiful state capitol in the first year of the new century.

Indianapolis is peculiarly situated for convenient access by the traveling public. The city is one of America's models, beautifully laid out, fine streets and electric railways, elegant hotels and state buildings. Our soldiers monument is said to be the finest in the United States, admired by all who see it. Our city is perhaps the cleanest; it is practically a smokeless city, natural gas being used for fuel. Our citizens have long been in the habit of entertaining conventions and well know how you should be treated, and will endeavor to do their best to make you comfortable and satisfied during your stay.

Come and do us good, as we know you can.

PHEBE R. CURRYER,  
Secretary Marion County Union.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, President National W. C. T. U.—Through you the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union most cordially extends an invitation to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union to hold its convention in 1900 at Indianapolis.

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, President.

MARY HADLEY, Vice-President.

MARY E. BALCH, Corresponding Secretary.

MATTIE O. CAMMACK, Recording Secretary.

AMANDA T. WHITSON, Treasurer.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct. 13, 1899.

To the National Association of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union—On behalf of the citizens of Indianapolis, and through the proper representatives of the organization from this city, I desire to extend to your organization a most earnest and cordial invitation to select Indianapolis as the meeting place for your next annual convention. I assure you in advance that every effort will be made to make your stay pleasant and agreeable and the convention a success. Hoping that we will have the honor of entertaining your Association, I remain.

Very respectfully yours,

T. TAGGART,  
Mayor.

INDIANAPOLIS, October 12, 1899.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Seattle, Wash.

LADIES—We urgently invite you to hold your next convention in Indianapolis. It is a beautiful city. You ought to know it. Sixteen railroads center here as spokes at a hub. You can come easily and get away easily. The Commercial Club's membership includes a thousand business and professional men. Their best efforts and its bank account are pledged to your adequate entertainment if you will come to us. We want you. We want you not for the money that you will spend here, but for the good things we know you will say about us and our beautiful city after you have abided here. In the event that the invitation is accepted, the Commercial Club will, at its expense, furnish Tomlinson Hall. Very truly,

EVANS WOOLLEN,  
Secretary.

To the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in Convention Assembled, Greeting—In behalf of the great State of Indiana I extend to you a cordial invitation to hold your next annual convention in the city of Indianapolis. The heaven of love permeates the hearts of our people. Its influence is going forth to the remotest bounds of our great nation. Come and abide with us and catch the inspiration. Respectfully,

October 13. JAMES A. MOUNT,  
Governor of Indiana.

## THE STIRRING CAMPAIGN.

Recommended by Convention to raise running expenses of our Industrial School. See page 65 of State Minutes for 1899. The Central Committee passed resolution that the Unions be reminded to consider time limit October 10, 1899, to October 1, 1900; also publish the plan in MESSAGE and Phalanx. The State will give to any county having five or a less number of Unions, whose every Union holds a medal contest, a week's work by one of our organizers en route. To the counties having over five Unions whose every Union holds a contest, a lecture by our State President. The proceeds of these contests must be sent to our State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis. We suggest that this work have your attention early in the year, that you may have your week's work and lecture this year and Hadley School the money it so much needs. Order books, medals and instructions from the State Superintendent of Medal Work, Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th Street, Indianapolis. Read carefully and follow plan. Take notice the three cents per member monthly for running expenses of our school can be made this way with the least friction and with least results. The premium of a week by our organizer and the lecture by our President will not be given unless the plan is carried out as here given.

The Y program will commend itself to the young people and no doubt cause them to do more aggressive work than ever before. Indiana expects much help from the young women and the young men. They are so capable and earnest.

Our new State Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County, has written a leaflet for the department which should be used in every Union. Send to her for copies. Price, 40 cents per hundred.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JANUARY, 1900.

SINGLE SUBSCRIPTION, 35c PER YEAR.

## ARE YOU THE WOMAN?

Four hundred (400) readers of *THE MESSAGE*, more or less, must re-new in January. To notify each one will cost \$5 or \$6 at a low estimate. Is it good economy to spend that money in that way when you can attend to your own renewal, and let when all renewals are attended to that money can be used some other way. Remember, you will lose a paper unless you do attend to this. Will you renew if your time has expired?

In 1899 the name of Mary Smith is sent in for *MESSAGE*. In 1900 the name of Mrs. John Smith is sent in. How can the manager guess that they are the same women, or guess that they are two persons? Mrs. Mary Smith should renew as Mrs. Mary Smith. Have a care in sending in names.

BUSINESS MANAGER.

Mrs. Etta Ayres, of Upland Union, writes: Enclosed you will find a list of sixty-five subscribers to the *MESSAGE*. Our Treasurer sent \$12.50 along with her report and I now send the remainder, \$3.75. Our Union had a market day and cleared the \$12.50 and we pay the remainder out of the treasury, and so place the paper in every home represented in the Union. How I wish the paper could be a regular visitor to each W. C. T. U. home in the State!

## REQUEST.

Will the Presidents of the Unions please arrange to have items sent to me for the *MESSAGE* about the first of each month? This will be greatly appreciated. By action of the State Convention a salary of \$75 was to be paid to the editor of the *MESSAGE* for this year's service. The salary I decline, but earnestly desire the loving, hearty co-operation of the membership in making the *MESSAGE* newsworthy and interesting. This co-operation on the part of my co-workers will be worth much more to me than salary and will help to make our little paper indispensable to all.

Loyally and faithfully,  
LUELLA McWHIRTER.

## CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT.

With the beginning of the new year the *MESSAGE* passes into the hands of our Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch. We bespeak for it a most prosperous year in her hands. The outlook for the paper was never brighter. It entered upon this year's work without a debt and a surplus in the treasury to meet expenses of the first issue. The renewals and increase in subscriptions from 2,300 to 2,400 has enabled the business managers to keep it on a cash basis, with no outstanding indebtedness. Never before during the months of October, November and December have the renewals and new subscriptions been so great. Ladies say, "We like the state recommendations and will make our subscription equal our membership." Upland Union sends a club of 65. These, with those of her members already subscribers, make their list equal to their membership and entitles them to five yearly subscriptions to the *MESSAGE* and one to the *Signal* and also makes them the banner Union in the state in regard to the number of subscribers to the State paper. Last year the subscription list in the State increased nearly 800. This year with the present outlook it can easily be increased a thousand more. There are about 400 whose subscription expired with the December issue. Many have already renewed. Others write, "We'll send our club after the holidays. Do not discontinue our papers. We are trying to make our list equal our membership." To those who have not already renewed, let me kindly ask you to renew at once, that you may not miss the January issue, containing Institute plans, etc. The first regular issue of the *MESSAGE* came out in January. Secure as many new subscribers as possible to begin with the anniversary number. Last year Greensburg was the banner Union in regard to number of subscribers. Her plan for making it equal to her membership was a fine one. Martinsville and Elwood ranked second, both securing the same number. Marion County had the largest list last year, Grant the second and Morgan the third. Some counties and many Unions made their list equal their membership. Of the ninety-two counties, forty-nine had a list equal to half or more of their membership. It has been a source of great interest to me to compare reports from the various counties and Unions with the subscription list to the *MESSAGE* from those same places, and I have said over and over again—may God speed the day when the State paper may enter the house of every White Ribboner. In closing my work as business manager of the little paper I have loved so well, I want, through its columns, to thank you one and all for your great forbearance and loving kindness to me. I shall miss the cheery, loving letters of encouragement that came with so many of the clubs

and helped so much to brighten the work. Again I thank you and ask to still be remembered by your letters and by your prayers. AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Will County Presidents please send, as early as possible, to my address, the names of their present County Superintendents of Scientific Temperance Instruction? If there are no acting County Superintendents send names of the local.

MRS. MARTHA N. BOND.

Indianapolis.

## ATTENTION, LITERATURE SUPERINTENDENTS!

At the next W. C. T. U. State Convention I shall give a copy of one of Miss Willard's books to the County Superintendent of Literature who shall have sent in the best report. Let each County Superintendent call upon her Local Superintendents to help her win the prize and carry the honors home with her.

Very respectfully,  
(MRS.) ETTA AYRES,  
Superintendent.

## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

Will County Presidents, who have not sent in reports, kindly send the names of Superintendents for the Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication. I wish to communicate with them at once. Dear Sisters, this is certainly one of the most important departments of our work. If we can only convince people that alcohol is not necessary in medicine and that there is something else to take its place, we will remove one of the greatest hindrances to legislative procedures for the abolition of the liquor traffic. So let us make a special effort this year to advance this part of our work. Send in reports promptly of all work done, be it much or little; report the names of Superintendents, new and old. If any are not supplied with a plan of work, I will send upon request.

L. F. JESSUP SMITH,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

### SOUTH BEND.

The Willard Memorial Y, though yet in infancy, is growing in numbers and enthusiasm. We are planning a campaign in this small corner of the State, hoping to reap a portion of the harvest by March 1st. Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, gave a chart talk at Mishawaka and a Miss Ina Burton and others spoke in behalf of organizing a Y in that city. It was decided to hold a mass meeting there in the near future for that purpose.

We conduct a personal workers' Bible training at our regular business meetings, that we may grow in grace and prove ourselves worthy of the name of Christian temperance workers; also that when the storms come we will not fall.

This year Elkhart County won the banner. Next year St. Joseph County will have the banner. I say "will," because how many who say "I think we will" win the race, and then if we do not win, we will applaud the other side.

AGNES BUTTS,  
Superintendent.

### KNOX COUNTY.

Mrs. Julia Trish has received a most cordial welcome down in Knox county. She held gospel temperance meetings for a week in the North Vincennes Mission and met with the W. C. T. U. and Y. W. C. T. U. of Vincennes.

At Freelandville she held two Mothers' Meetings, one at Mrs. James McCormick's, the other at Mrs. Daniel Robin's. Both were well attended, and much interest taken in the work. She held a public meeting each evening. Prof. Hinkle and wife were among those who joined the "Y's."

Mrs. Trish held one meeting in Edwardsport, then went to Westphalia, where she made house to house visits. The people were delighted, and in the evening the schoolhouse was crowded to hear her.

We believe that she did us all much good. She visited the jail and the Orphans' Home; and on Thanksgiving went with Mrs. Bonsib and her sister-in-law on their mission of mercy and love to distribute necessities and luxuries to the worthy poor widows and orphans of Vincennes. NELLIE VIRTUE CHAMBERS.

By request the Frankfort W. C. T. U. furnished the program for the M. E. Sunday school, in which the L. T. L. took a prominent part. When they gave their salute, several voices in the audience called out, "Good! good!" and they were heartily applauded. Their songs and rallying cry were also well received. Another Sunday school was also favored by a song by the Legion. Their singing wins golden opinions wherever they are heard, and they are always given a cordial invitation to come again. The W. C. T. U.

has been invited to furnish the program for the M. E. Sunday school every temperance lesson Sunday, and the Legion has a standing invitation to come whenever it will.

While practicing for Temperance Sunday the Legioners amused themselves by stopping in front of a saloon and giving their rallying cry "with a right good will," then laughing at the scowls of the bar-tender who was standing in the doorway.

FLORENCE E. VANCE.

The Point Isabel W. C. T. U. met last Saturday afternoon, November 25, in their regular monthly session. The meeting was opened by devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. G. W. Kilgore. An interesting program followed, at the conclusion of which the President, Mrs. G. W. Kilgore, announced that a reception was in readiness at the home of the Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Salyers. This announcement was a complete surprise to a goodly number, as it had been prepared by the charter members, in honor of those who had but recently joined the organization, the majority of whom were young ladies, whom we hope will ever prove loyal to the temperance cause.

After Divine blessings had been invoked upon the goodly motive of our assembling together, shortly followed by the singing of that beautiful hymn, "Blest Be the Tie," the forty guests present partook of the bountiful repast, which consisted of cake, pop-corn and fruits.

It is, indeed, very encouraging to see so many of our young ladies wearing the white ribbon—emblem of goodness and purity. To you, young friends, a new work is before you. In your own hearts do you not feel a responsibility resting on you in this great work, for which you may have to answer God?

You can go forward in the world with your means, your influence, your time and awaken thousands, who in turn will draw millions after them. On yonder summit you may take your stand, and let your light become a light into the world that will shine through this life and eternity. A NEW MEMBER—ETHEL.

The Frankfort W. C. T. U. observed Temperance Sunday. At the request of Mrs. Frances Boyer, one minister precluded his sermon with a talk on the Mormon question. Then, in response to his call for a rising vote, four-fifths of the large congregation expressed themselves as against the seating of polygamist Roberts in the legislative halls of our Nation. Another pastor preached a most eloquent sermon on the subject of "Mormonism and Marriage." It was a splendid admixture of anti-Mormonism, prohibition and woman suffrage. At the close of the sermon petitions against the seating of Roberts were circulated among the voters present and numerous signed.

Mrs. Ada Squires has spent some time in our county (Hendricks) in the interests of the W. C. T. U., doing excellent work for that organization, as well as giving recitals that were highly appreciated. She was aided in these recitals by her five-year-old daughter Emma. She visited Coatsville, Friendswood, Plainfield, Lizton, Brownsburg and Pittsboro, giving a recital one night and a lecture the next and holding an afternoon meeting for women. She also made many personal calls to increase interest in temperance and the work of the W. C. T. U. At Coatsville a Y was organized with ten members and their Union has doubled its membership. At Brownsburg a Union was organized with twelve members. Interested persons were found at Lizton and Pittsboro, but on account of a series of meetings at one place and a funeral at the other no attempt was made to organize.

The Jefferson Union gave an entertainment December 10, consisting of songs, readings and recitations. A collection was taken for the Hadley Home. \$2.00 was pledged by that Union, which we received on that evening. LOUISE KENNEDY.

Mrs. Maud Salyers, Treasurer of Point Isabel Union, writing to Mrs. Whitson, State Treasurer, says: "When you wrote me August 23 that three other States were making rapid strides to secure our White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner, I thought something must be done—we do not want to give it up. I asked each member and the President to get one new member, or as many as they could. I went to work myself. I would do my work in the forenoon and try to get members in the afternoon. I drove out in the country from house to house. It was a task, but I got ten new members—one of them was an honorary. The President said that would not do; it took ten regular members; so I had to get one more; this I did. This is the way I secured ten regular and one honorary member for our Union, and helped to keep the banner and get a free lecture."

By the promotion to the Heavenly ranks of that valiant champion of peace, temperance and righteousness, Daniel Hill, of Richmond, the Indiana W. C. T. U. has lost a staunch friend and true brother.



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SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

"No weapon that is found against thee shall prosper."

## PEACE NOTES.

We start upon a new year in behalf of home and humanity. Golden opportunities will open up before us. Let us improve them as they pass. May this be the best year of all for every department in the W. C. T. U. And now, to make it the best in our especial department, will not every Peace Superintendent, County or Local, send me her name with any item or suggestion in regard to the work which she may like to add? But please send without delay. A postal card will do and five minutes will do for the time you need spend on it. Our reports may come up better at the end of the year because of this good beginning.

Peace Sunday—O, that the church would recognize her privilege and her duty at this hour and speak with no uncertain voice for the "Cross against the Sword"

The *Advocate of Peace*, Boston, speaks in hearty approval of the action of the National Convention on the army canteen and the Philippine war. I quote with slight abridgement: "It must be remembered that the W. C. T. U. has taken up many different lines of humanitarian work; most of them because it was found impossible to promote the abolition of the drink traffic without striking at other evils by which intemperance is so powerfully supported. The women were, therefore, perfectly within their province when they took up the subject of the Philippine war and passed a resolution strongly condemning it. \* \* \* The people, as a rule, who think they are hurting their cause are people who have no real desire to see their temperance work a success." By the way, the *Advocate of Peace* is a good paper for the family circle.

The W. C. T. U. has lost a valiant friend by the death—November 16—of Daniel Hill, of Richmond, Ind. The greater part of his long life was devoted to the advocacy of temperance and peace, and for many years he has been General Secretary of the Peace Association of Friends in America and editor of a peace paper published by that Association.

"Vainly look we for another  
In his place to stand."

This is to us another call to be faithful in our work, each in her appointed place.

Yours for advance,  
H. LAVINIA BAILY.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

There is no effect without cause and upon the mothers of to-day there rests a grave and important responsibility. Be assured the fathers are not exempt from this responsibility. It is not difficult to prove that physical qualities are transmitted from parents to children, for such is a matter of daily observation to every one. Oh, the unfortunate children of vice, how they witness against the sins of the parents! God has made parents co-partners with himself in the reproduction of the race. There is a sacredness in fatherhood and motherhood that cannot be violated without sin. The inherited evils make the fight for a clean, pure life doubly hard, yet this is the curse many a child carries and tries to throw off.

The only way to purify the stream is to purify the source. The origin of impurity is in the minds of the married—in the home that should be sacred and holy—and is transmitted to the offspring. Oh, how the unborn are pleading to us as Christian mothers for a better chance in life—for the attainment of virtue, wisdom, truth and purity! Every community has its mothers—mothers with anxious, burdened, questioning hearts. It is our duty to show them their danger and to enlist every mother in this warfare between sin and righteousness. Oh, for a patient, consecrated motherhood!

Dear mothers, let me appeal to you for help in this holy warfare. Will each County Union see that a County Superintendent is appointed and let the County Superintendent see that each Union has a Local Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings? Hold Mothers'

Meetings at least once a month and distribute literature, and thus we may carry Jesus the Light of the world, to darkened, sin-crushed hearts and homes and make the world better by our having lived in it. Dear Superintendents, write to me often. I will gladly respond in any way that will be helpful. I will send some literature to every one who will apply. Keep a record of all meetings, of all literature distributed and report promptly at the proper time. There is much literature available for the energetic Superintendent, which you will find helpful, such as "The Responsibility of Motherhood," "Rights of Offsprings" (and they all have rights), "Don't, Girls," and "Suggestions for Mothers' Meetings." If you will urge your Unions to adopt the "department fund" plan, you will find that it will not only furnish money for literature, but will be an educator. Let us be wise, but harmless. When shall we awake to the awful responsibility which rests upon every woman into whose keeping God has given a pure child soul? The triumphs of social life cannot for one moment be compared with the perfect bliss of that hour when the children of a wise and loving mother rise up and call her blessed.

If we knew the baby fingers  
Pressed against the window pane,  
Would be cold and stiff to-morrow,  
Never trouble us again,  
Would the bright eyes of our darling  
Catch the frown upon our brow?  
Would the little baby fingers vex us then as they  
do now?

MRS. S. M. STAHL,  
State Superintendent.

## FLOWER MISSION.

As we are entering upon a new century and are expecting to see and to hear of untold good being done for the cause of Christ, may we not forget the many little helpful things we can do. Many of us know some friend who has been sick for a long while. Take her a flower and a godly message. Some dear brother or sister may be out of food or proper clothing; search around and see if you can supply their needs. There are "shut-ins" all around us who have nearly ran their race. Their busy life is passed and they are no longer interested in the bustle of the world. Visit these "shut-ins." Take them flowers or some religious clippings, and be sure to say some comforting word to them about Jesus.

Several of the counties have new Flower Mission Superintendents. I wish as soon as possible each County President would send me the name of her County Superintendent, so I may know upon whom to depend for reports.

If at any time you would like to hear suggestions about the work please feel free to write to me, as I am very willing to do all I can for you. May this be the best year we have ever had in the Flower Mission work. The Lord bless and prosper you.

(Miss) ANNA L. CARE,  
State Superintendent.

## FRANCHISE LETTER.

I send you a letter of greeting this month and would gladly look into each of your faces and take your hand in mine and listen to your successes, and perhaps it may be failures, in securing names to our enrollment petitions. I am very anxious to hear a word from each of you and to know how you do. I beg of you to work harder than in any year past to secure names to the petitions, for so much of our success depends upon that. Now, dears, we shall need some money to pay our legislative expenses next year, for you must send in the petitions to me as soon as possible and I must have them copied with a typewriter and bound into books to take to the legislature, and that will cost money. Now, I am anxious that "Indiana's Plan" shall be first carried out in getting money, if you can do so, and in addition to that I have several schemes. Some have been tried, some not, and I have just sent you a sample menu (for women know how to prepare things to eat) for a Krazy T., which is novel and will attract many people. Will each one of you try it and send me the results? I will receipt and report and give an account of every cent at the next State Convention. Now, my dear Superintendents, do your level best for our Franchise Department, which means for yourself before the law and for all Indiana women.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## HOUSEHOLD ECONOMIES.

It scarcely seems possible that months have sped away since we talked and planned face to face at our blessed harvest home gathering as to the best means of advancing our cause, and I trust this fact will serve as a reminder that there is no time to lose. Those who accepted the catalogue of the Manual Training School at Indianapolis in the hope of presenting it to your respective school boards as an inducement to make a similar attachment to one or more of their school buildings, will do well to appeal to other societies of both sexes, the City and County Superintendents, etc. So obvious and plausible is this effort that you will doubtless receive the hearty co-operation of many who have heretofore manifested no interest in our work. In those Manual Training School lectures on the best methods of sanitation, personal hygiene forms a conspicuous part of the work—this shows how far-reaching the work may be made and in what close harmony it is with one in anti-narcotic and anti-stimulant work.

I wish to emphasize the paragraph in my annual report relating to the present mode of displaying our patriotism on the fourth of July. It is believed that the young people can be induced to accept as a substitute a well planned picnic—that less than half the money spent in fire explosives would equip pic-nics bountifully—thus avoiding the great loss to life, limb and property and promulgating lessons in economics, beside combating the war spirit by peaceful enjoyment in viewing nature in all her beauty, which is always elevating and ennobling. This is in harmony with the Department of Peace and Arbitration and offers a stepping stone for them to do something practical. I appeal to them for their co-operation.

MARY A. MOODY,  
State Superintendent.

## PRESS.

I want to extend to each and every one of you my hearty thanks for your noble, earnest work the past year, and for the loyalty and promptness with which you responded to every call. Because of your faithfulness the Silver Star Press badge came to Indiana, and how I wish you could see it. It was awarded to the State reporting the greatest amount of work accomplished in proportion to the membership and to the number of the workers. I am glad that we have won this honor, but realize that we must work harder than ever if we would keep it another year. There will be very little change in our lines of work this year. We will continue to "clip on, paste on and press on," but paper as a foundation upon which to paste the clippings is too frail and easily torn. Let us use muslin instead, as thin and light as possible, consistent with strength.

Let us continue to write, or have written, articles in favor of woman's enfranchisement, and also in the interest of our various other departments of work.

Endeavor to have as much as possible published that is uplifting in character, but I would be glad to see much more "in print" concerning our own beloved organization. Publish and explain its plans, and never fail to report its successes—every one.

Let me again urge the importance of keeping accounts of work done, either by lines, inches or columns. If we would receive full credit for the work we do we must report it all.

In a story I read not long ago, are the words of a young reporter impressing a young lady, in whom he is interested, with the importance of his high calling. They seem to have been written especially for our Press Department, so I pass them on to you. He says: "Consciously or unconsciously, the press is the greatest power of our day to mold public taste and opinion and morals. The humblest patent inside country weekly shares the power and the unescapable responsibility with the huge city dailies. Everything printed must reach some audience, must help give some lives their tone for good or evil. If the press of a nation takes up a reform it makes the progress of ten years in one; if the press lends itself to wrong and corruption and makes light of crime, it scatters the seeds of evil wherever one such paper goes. The low entertainment, the preacher or orator of high aims, alike have an audience of only a few hundred or thousands at most, but when the press reports the words spoken, they search out a much larger audience by its fire-sides, and instead of dying on the air after one hearing, they can be read again and again, and will endure as long as any one keeps the paper they are printed upon. It is worth being alive to have one's hand in any way on such a lever to move the world."

Yours for service,  
FLORENCE E. VANCE,  
Superintendent.

## WORKERS IN EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

I intended to have had a letter in the MESSAGE for you ere this, but the pressure of many duties prevented me. I come to you with a sisterly New Year's greeting and a prayer that you may be freshly anointed by the Holy Spirit for a more successful year's service than ever before. I believe you all feel the importance of our Department and realize that it is the foundation upon which we have been enabled to build so magnificent a superstructure. We must all work in harmony with the plans formed by our World's and National Superintendents, so it is necessary that we have these plans. I trust each Superintendent will send to the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago, for a copy of Miss Elizabeth Greenwood's "Hints and Helps in Evangelistic Work;" fifteen cents per copy. This will prove a most efficient helper in suggesting plans for work. I trust every County will have a Superintendent of this Department and will send their names to me. The County Superintendent should see that each Local society has a superintendent and urge them to send reports promptly. It will hardly be possible for one to write often to you, but if I can help you in any way let me know and I will do my best to aid you. If you can arrange for revival services and would desire my help, I will go to you, if not otherwise engaged. I usually receive ten dollars per week, aside from railroad fare and entertainment. If I could arrange for two or three weeks' work in a county, the expense could be divided between the Unions having my services. Be as helpful as you can in your own denominational revival services. Work in harmony with the Church; remember that our work is in no sense to take the place of the Church, but to supplement her efforts in the upbuilding of our dear Redeemer's king-



dom in the earth. I will close with the advice of Paul to Timothy, as found in 15, 2: 2 Tim.: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of Truth."  
MRS. ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

#### A COLUMN A WEEK FOR MARION COUNTY.

For some time there has been in the minds of Marion County White Ribboners the wish that our Unions might know more of each other's methods of work, and that we might in some way come in closer touch with each other. We meet in our semi-annual conventions and occasionally at called meetings of the County Union, but at these meetings the time is so short and the demands upon it are so many that we separate not to meet again for months, with many important questions unanswered and helpful thoughts unexpressed.

Again, in order to secure prompt and active co-operation between county officers and Superintendents and their respective local workers, frequent communication is indispensable. Our County Superintendents are now forming plans for getting the work of their departments started in the Local Unions. It is expected that these plans will be written out and distributed for study and for reference during the coming year. Copies of them should be not only in the hands of each Local Superintendent, but should be furnished each member of the Union. To do this successfully they should be in print. Miss Willard says: "The voice that speaks dies in the air almost before its echoes reach us, but the firm types and black ink hold through months and years."

Excellent papers, prepared at great pains by our women who have been placed upon programs of local or county meetings, are presented to us through the year. The wish is often expressed by those who are favored with hearing them that others might be privileged to receive like inspiration and instruction. Usually, however, the writer modestly puts her paper away, where it remains, never being given a second reading.

Is there a solution for this problem? Let us see. Our women have, at different times in the past, considered the feasibility of publishing a county paper, but the plan has always been abandoned because of the expense and time necessary for it. Besides, this might seem to conflict with the circulation of our State and National papers, a result which would be sure to harm our work.

The publishing in leaflet form of papers above referred to is sometimes ordered, but the expense for this is considerable and the circulation of the leaflets rarely extends beyond the membership of the Union having them printed. While the columns of our State paper gladly welcome brief reports of our work, yet each of our sister counties has equal claim with us to space therein.

Where there is a will is there a way? In the early experience of our State officers in sending out the MESSAGE it became evident that its pages were inadequate to contain all of the excellent matter sent in. Mrs. Balch found a way out of the difficulty by securing from the editor of the *Phalanx*, the State Prohibition paper, published in Indianapolis, a State W. C. T. U. Department, which has, during the three years since, been used greatly to the success of our cause. So now, in Marion County's dilemma, Mr. Clark has again been visited and has granted us space alongside of Mrs. Balch's columns. The County Executive Committee, at a meeting some time since, approved the plan and pledged its support, which has since been promptly given.

While we believe that when this year comes to a close we shall count our *Phalanx* column one of the most potent factors in the success which we hope to attain, yet, since this is but an experiment, we have arranged but for three months, beginning with the first of the year. Each Union is requested, if it has not already done so, to appoint at once a Press Superintendent, who will promptly forward to County Reporter, who has charge of all matter to be printed in the Marion County column, items of news and notices of regular or called meetings, or other material desired to be published. Until such appointment is made the President or Secretary will attend to the matter.

MARY E. SIMS.

Indianapolis.

"Love never faileth."

#### PROGRAM INDIANA W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE.

- 10:00. Devotional Services, led by a local worker.
- 10:10. Organization of Institute by the Leader. Appointment of Secretaries, Reporters and Committees on Courtesies. Subscriptions to Periodicals and Membership.
- 10:30. Value of the Printed Page, by Superintendent of Literature.
- 10:40. Discussion by Assistant in Institutes and others.
- 10:45. Bible Reading by the Leader.  
Topic—Conditions of Victory. Consecration Service. Testimony. Invocation.
- 11:25. The Tools of our Guild—Leaflets, Books, Periodicals, etc. Discussion.
- 12:00. Announcements. Noontide Prayer. Adjournment for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Opening Service, Evangelistic Superintendent.
- 2:15. Introduction of Fraternal Delegates.
- 2:25. Proportionate Giving, by a Superintendent of the Department. Discussion. Pledges for Organization.

- 2:45. Organization, by County President. Discussion.
- 3:00. L. T. L. Work, by the Superintendent of the Legion. Discussion.
- 3:15. The Y Branch, by the Y Secretary. Discussion.
- 3:30. "Department Plan," by a Department Superintendent. Discussion by the Leader and others.
- 3:45. Sabbath Observance Laws—Civil, Physical and Divine. Discussion.
- 4:15. Adjourn.

#### EVENING.

- 7:30. Scripture Reading and Prayer by a Y or Y Honorary.  
Oratorical Contest as arranged by the State Superintendent of the Department and local workers.

#### SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotional Services, conducted by.....
- 9:15. Drill on Methods. Study State Plan of Work in the State Minutes with reference to Reporting, Contests, Industrial School, Institutes, State Paper, etc.
- 9:45. How to Increase the Membership, by..... Discussion.
- 10:00. Why Some Unions Discontinue.
- 10:15. Drill on Our Constitution and State Course of Study.
- 10:20. Narcotic Poison—Composition of the Cigarette and its Effects upon Mind and Body. Anti-Narcotic Laws, Schemes of Dealers, etc.
- 10:45. Civil Government, including Municipal Law, or a Parliamentary Drill.
- 11:15. Non-Alcoholic Medication, by a Physician.
- 11:35. Our Franchise Campaign Discussion.
- 12:00. Announcements and Adjournment.

#### SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Hymn.  
Prayer by.....  
Semi Annual County Convention as arranged by Co-Executive, or if preferred, an Open Parliament in which the following or other subjects may be discussed:  
Organization of a W, Y, or L. T. L.  
The foregoing may be substituted by a Clergyman's Hour, with the following general topics:  
Does the Prosperity of the Church Demand that Temperance Work shall have a Prominent Place in Church Activities? By Rev...  
(a) Correlations of Reform Forces  
(b) Can the Church Banish the Saloon?

#### EVENING MEETING.

- 7:30. Devotion, conducted by County President.
- 7:45. An Address by the Leader of the Institute or her Assistant, or a Platform Symposium by Leading Local Speakers, conducted by the Leader. General Topic for Symposium—Vital Issues of To-day Espoused by the Church and How She is Grappling With Them.  
(a) Why is there so small a per cent of Young Men in the Churches?  
(b) God's Commands Concerning Peace vs. War and Partisan Strife.  
Discussion.

#### SUBJECTS FOR THE EVENING MEETING.

As given by the Workers of the different Sections.

1. The Economics of the Liquor Traffic.
2. Women in the Temperance Reform.
3. Five Boys in Knee Pants.
4. War and Twentieth Century Civilization.
5. Equality in Citizenship.
6. Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools.
7. The Purpose and Methods of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. What has it Accomplished?

Music throughout the Program.

(MISS) MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.  
Bloomington, Ind.  
Bring pencils and tablets without fail and use them.  
Bring your Bible and White Ribbon Hymnal.

Schedule of dates and places for W. C. T. U. Institute for 1900.

#### SECTION 1.

Fulton County, Akron, February 23, 24; Pulaski County, Monterey, February 26, 27; Starke County, North Judson, February 28, March 1; Porter County, Kouts, March 2, 3; Lake County, Leroy, March 5, 6; LaPorte County, Kingsbury, March 7, 8; St. Joseph County, Lakeville, March 9, 10; Marshall County, LaPaz, March 12, 13; Elkhart County, New Paris, March 14, 15; Kosciusko County, Syracuse, March 16, 17; Noble County, Cromwell, March 19, 20; LaGrange County, LaGrange, March 21, 22; DeKalb County, Corunna, March 24, 25; Steuben County, Hamilton, March 26, 27; Whitley County, Coesse, March 29, 30. Leader, Mrs. Hattie Brand.

#### SECTION 2.

Vermillion County, Newport, February 23, 24; Fountain County, Attica, February 26, 27; Warren County, Mineral Springs, February 28, March 1; Benton County, Oxford, March 2, 3; Newton County, Mt. Ayre, March 5, 6; Jasper County, Remington,

March 7, 8; White County, Reynolds, March 9, 10; Tippecanoe County, Battle Ground, March 12, 13; Montgomery County, Crawfordville, March 14, 15; Boone County, Jamestown, March 16, 17; Clinton County, Kirklint, March 19, 20; Carroll County, Delphi, March 21, 22; Howard County, Russiaville, March 23, 24; Cass County, Walton, March 26, 27; Miami County, Denver, March 28, 29; Wabash County, Urbana, March 30, 31.

(NOTE—The Mid-Year Meeting makes a break here.)

Hamilton County, Noblesville, April 6, 7; Tipton County, Windfall, April 9, 10; Madison County, Summitville, April 11, 12; Grant County, Gas City, April 13, 14; Huntington County, Andrews, April 16, 17; Allen County, Sheldon, April 18, 19; Wells County, Kingsland, April 20, 21; Blackford County, Roll, April 23, 24; Jay County, Powers, April 25, 26; Adams County, Berne, April 27, 28. Leader, Miss Mary Hadley.

#### SECTION 3.

Delaware County, Selma, February 23, 24; Randolph County, Farmland, February 26, 27; Henry County, Lewisville, February 28, March 1; Wayne County, Cambridge City, March 2, 3; Union County, Liberty, March 5, 6; (Note—No town to organize.) Franklin County, Laurel, March 7, 8; Fayette County, Connersville, March 9, 10; Rush County, Homer, March 12, 13; Shelby County, Fairland, March 14, 15; Decatur County, St. Paul, March 16, 17; Johnson County, Trafalgar, March 19, 20; Morgan County, Morgantown, March 21, 22; Brown County, Bean Blossom, March 23, 24; Bartholomew County, Taylorsville, March 26, 27; Owen County, Freedom, March 28, 29; Greene County, Bloomfield, March 30, 31; (Mid-Year Meeting, North Vernon, April 3, 4, and as it is great economy, Section (4) West End comes here.) Jackson County, Brownstown, April 6, 7; Orange County, Orleans, April 9, 10; Washington County, Campbellsburg, April 11, 12; Lawrence County, Mitchell, April 13, 14; Martin County, Shoals, April 16, 17; (Note—No towns unorganized.) Daviess County, Montgomery, April 18, 19; Knox County, Oaktown, April 20, 21; (Continuation of Section 3.) Sullivan County, Carlisle, April 23, 24; Vigo County, Terre Haute, April 25, 26; Clay County, Cory, April 27, 28; Parke County, Rosedale, April 30, May 1; Putnam County, Filmore, May 2, 3; Hendricks, Danville, May 4, 5; Marion County, Acton, May 7, 8; Hancock, Philadelphia, May 9, 10; Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, leader of Section 3 and West End of Section 4.

#### SECTION 4. EAST END.

Ripley County, Osgood, April 6, 7; Dearborn County, Cochran, April 9, 10; Ohio County, Pate, April 11, 12; Switzerland County, Sugar Branch, April 13, 14; Jefferson County, Hanover, April 16, 17; Scott County, Lexington, April 18, 19; Clark County, Memphis, April 20, 21; Floyd County, Georgetown, April 23, 24; Harrison County, Elizabeth, April 25, 26; Crawford County, English, April 27, 28; Perry County, Cannelton, April 30, May 1; Spencer County, Gentryville, May 2, 3; Warrick County, Chandler, May 4, 5; Vanderburg County, Armstrong, May 7, 8; Posey County, Poseyville, May 9, 10; Gibson County, Owensville, May 11, 12; Pike County, Otwell, May 14, 15; Dubois County, Portersville, May 16, 17; Monroe County, Stinesville, May 18, 19. We had to make a slight variation in the sections, as thereby we saved so much travel and money. Mrs. Hattie Brand, Leader in East End of Section 4.

#### HAND SHAKE LETTER.

I want to acknowledge with love the numerous letters of congratulation received since the appointment to my old-new office of Secretary of the Indiana L. T. L. Branch. Remembrance and appreciation are encouraging. The familiar handwritings were read with tender feelings, as I thought how those had been plodding faithfully during my three years' rest. I thank each for the welcome and pledge of loyalty, particularly Mrs. Gordon, in whose home by invitation I spent several days, receiving from her lips and hands data concerning the charge she has faithfully held and gladly relinquished. Since then I have been in correspondence with the National and World's Secretary, have the report from the L. T. L. Conferences at Seattle, and am giving my best thought to preparation and to a careful, comparative study of the present status of the work and its needs. I have many plans in evolution for a stride in the L. T. L. State work this year, but oh, my sisters! I cannot make the work a success unless you help; I cannot go into your local Unions and carry out the plans. You must give me women who are willing to do the best they can while learning to do better. Therefore, in the name of pure childhood to be instructed and trained that they may remain pure and make straight the paths for others, I call upon County and local Presidents to appoint the best willing woman you can get and send her address to me, and please attend to it at once.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
State L. T. L. Branch Secretary.

Mrs. Nettie C. Moore, of Lebanon, writes: A lecture was given at the M. E. Church at Lebanon on December 8, by Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis. Mrs. Brand made an excellent talk and altogether it was a red letter night for the W. C. T. U. of that place. Quite a number signed the pledge and several new names were added to the Union.



The Eunice P. Wilson Union, of Upland, Grant County, is still living and doing well. Last year we raised our membership from 34 to 70 (active.) The quarter ending December 15, we reported 74 members. With our honoraries and delinquent members (for such we always have) our roll now numbers 102. Since the State Convention, we have been very busy. In order to supply our members with the MESSAGE, we had a market day. So the December number has gone into every W. C. T. U. home in our town. We also gave a social at the home of Mrs. Cartwright. A literary and musical program was rendered and refreshments were served in the way of conundrums, the answer to each being the name of some member of the Union. We took a collection and realized \$4.10 for the Hadley Home. We have placed Frances Willard's picture in each of the public school rooms and in the Chapel Hall at Taylor University. We have put the *Physiology Journal* in the hands of our public school teachers. We observed Temperance Sunday with appropriate services in all the churches and temperance literature was distributed in the Sunday schools. Our regular meetings are well attended and much interest is manifested on the part of the new members. It is popular to belong to the W. C. T. U. in Upland.

The Porter County Convention of the W. C. T. U. was held in Valparaiso, December 14. The weather being bad, not as many were in attendance as would otherwise have been; however, two new numbers were added. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. Hall; Corresponding Secretary, Elizabeth Rice; Recording Secretary, Jane Sampson; Treasurer, Miss Alice Keach.

#### TREASURER'S LETTER.

Space in the MESSAGE is at such a premium I find I must condense my report, and give only the yearly summary and comparative statement. My trip to the National Convention in Seattle, immediately following our State Convention, and the stop over on my return trip to visit brothers and sisters that I had not seen for years, made it impossible to get my report ready for the November MESSAGE. The December MESSAGE was so full of other matter that it was thought best to leave this until the January issue.

However, if it is late, I am sure you will all take great interest in looking over the comparative statement. Every County and Union that has gained in membership will be glad to know they appear on the Honor Roll. Those that do not appear on it will, I am sure, make every effort possible to be placed there this year.

Please compare this with the Treasurer's report in the State Minutes and ascertain if there are any Unions in your county not on the Honor Roll. If so, let me urge you to make plans at once to place them there this year. A fine plan is to secure a certain number of new members (the number decided upon by the Union) each quarter. The results will be gratifying. Please note how many counties there are whose every Union gained. Is yours one of them?

Grant county is the banner county in having the largest paid membership; it is also the banner county in having gained more members than any other county. The five Unions making the largest gains in the county secured them by holding membership contests.

Peru Union is the banner Union in having made the greatest gain of any Union in the State, the gain having been made by a membership contest.

North Manchester is the banner Union in having paid for more members than any other Union in the State. A membership contest also. Many other Unions in the State had fine success in membership contest work. The entire number of counties that gained last year, 57; number of Unions that gained, 183; number of counties that paid dues last year, 76; number of counties that paid dues this year, 82; number of Unions that paid dues last year, 266; number of Unions that paid dues this year, 294. The fifteen Y. Unions and branches paid for 212 members last year. The twenty-nine Unions and branches paid for 427 members this year. The amount of dues paid by the L. T. L.'s last year was \$28.79; the twelve Legions paid \$29.00 this year. These results are indeed gratifying to us. The efforts of these noble women made it possible for Indiana to again be the banner State.

A comparative statement of the present year's work will be furnished at the close of the year. May I suggest that you file this paper away that you can make comparisons at that time? It is very fitting that the National Convention should be held at the National Capital the centennial year. This will be a notable event in the history of the W. C. T. U. Shall Indiana be the banner State and bring home the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner?

Most loyally yours to help,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

#### SUMMARY FOR JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.

##### RECEIPTS.

Balance from Third Quarter.....	\$26 09
Sale of Record Books .....	65
Convention Fund.....	49 35
Life Membership, Mary Hadley.....	25 00
" " Luella F. McWhirter.....	25 00
" " Margaret Ross.....	22 00
" " (Nat.) Luella F. McWhirter .....	5 75

Department Fund.....	\$1 95
State Minutes.....	12 69
Willard Buttons and Pins.....	6 00
Temple Fund, returned by C. Dow.....	1 96
Delegate to National Convention.....	50
Traveling expenses for President L. T. L.....	1 00
L. T. L. Dues.....	29 00
County Dues.....	11 85
Y. W. C. T. U. Dues.....	82 70
State Dues.....	954 07
Total.....	\$1292 56

##### DISBURSEMENTS

Lithographs of Woolley and Gordon.....	\$2 00
Printing Programs for Marion Convention....	19 00
Other Printing.....	26 80
Floral Offering for Mr. Balch.....	3 00
Railroad Agent for Transportation for Delegates.....	11 00
Overdraft returned to Mrs. M. L. Hobbs....	2 00
County Dues returned to Boone County Treas.	3 80
L. T. L. President's expenses to New York Convention.....	10 68
Willard Scarf Pins.....	2 25
Convention Badges for Marion Convention....	20 00
Organization.....	116 58
Telegram and Telephone messages.....	3 24
Laura Thompson's expenses to Central Com..	2 50
Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, appropriation.....	65 00
" " " postage.....	6 33
" " " street car fare.....	2 00
" " " Premium Lectures.....	5 00
Mrs. M. E. Balch, appropriation.....	215 00
" " " postage.....	15 84
" " " supplies.....	98
" " " car fare.....	1 50
Mrs. M. O. Cammack, postage.....	2 47
" " " supplies.....	1 05
Miss M. Hadley, postage.....	4 83
" " " car fare.....	4 25
" " " supplies.....	1 33
Mrs. A. T. Whitson, appropriation.....	87 00
" " " postage.....	21 38
" " " care fare.....	50
" " " supplies.....	4 00
State Banneretts.....	6 00
L. T. L. dues to State Secretary.....	14 50
L. T. L. dues to National Treasurer.....	14 50
Y dues to State Y Secretary.....	33 08
National dues.....	207 25
Total.....	\$956 64
Balance.....	335 92
	\$1292 56

#### COUNTIES AND UNIONS HAVING GAINED DURING THE PAST YEAR.

50 Cents Represents a Member.

<b>ADAMS.</b>	<b>DAVIES.</b>
Decatur..... \$2 50	Washington..... \$2 00
<b>ALLEN. \$12.50.</b>	<b>DEARBORN.</b>
Hoagland..... \$6 00	Guilford..... \$2 00
Ft. Wayne, Willard 8 50	Aurora..... 4 00
Harlan..... 2 50	Aurora Y..... 4 00
<b>BARTHOLOMEW.</b>	<b>DEKALE. \$24.00</b>
Hope..... \$1 50	Auburn..... \$11 00
Azalia..... 1 00	Butler..... 2 50
<b>BENTON.</b>	Waterloo..... 3 50
Boswell..... \$9 00	St. Joe..... 5 50
Lochiel..... 1 00	Garrett..... 1 50
Lochiel Y..... 50	<b>DELAWARE. \$10.00</b>
Fowler..... 2 00	Muncie..... \$11 00
<b>BLACKFORD. \$15.50.</b>	Eaton..... 2 50
Hartford City..... \$12 00	<b>DUBOIS.</b>
Mill Grove..... 2 50	Huntingburg..... \$2 50
Montpelier..... 1 00	Duff..... 1 00
<b>BOONE. \$16.00</b>	Portersville..... 50
Lebanon..... \$15 00	Ireland..... 1 00
Zionsville..... 2 00	<b>ELKHART. \$19.00</b>
<b>BROWN. \$2.25.</b>	Nappanee..... \$6 50
Nashville..... \$2 00	Goshen Y..... 11 00
<b>CARROLL. \$4.50.</b>	<b>FLOYD. \$5.11.</b>
Flora..... \$1 50	New Albany..... \$2 11
Camden..... 3 00	New Albany Y..... 3 00
<b>CASS.</b>	<b>FRANKLIN. \$9.70.</b>
Lucerne..... \$3 50	Brookville..... \$0 50
<b>CLARKE. \$7.37.</b>	Bath..... 9 20
Jeffersonville..... \$5 37	<b>FULTON. \$15.00</b>
Charleston..... 2 00	Rochester..... \$12 00
<b>CLAY. \$11.00.</b>	Kewanna..... 3 00
Brazil..... \$11 00	<b>GRANT. \$84.00.</b>
<b>CLINTON.</b>	S. Marion..... \$29 50
Sedalia..... \$2 50	Fairmount..... 5 00
Rossville..... 50	Upland..... 18 50
Jefferson..... 5 25	Oak Ridge..... 1 00
Manson..... 1 00	Deer Creek..... 4 50
Farmers' Chapel..... 4 50	Pt. Isabel..... 6 50
<b>CRAWFORD. \$4.00.</b>	Marion Central..... 5 50
Marengo..... \$3 50	Mary Hadley..... 2 50
Alton..... 50	S. Marion Y..... 11 00
	Mathews..... 2 00

<b>HAMILTON. \$7.50.</b>	<b>OWEN. \$10.16.</b>
Atlanta..... \$6 50	Spencer..... \$4 16
Westfield..... 3 50	Corp Y..... 6 00
Carmel..... 50	<b>PARKE.</b>
<b>HANCOCK. \$8.50.</b>	Bloomington..... \$1 00
Greenfield..... \$2 00	<b>PERRY. \$2.00.</b>
Fortville..... 50	Rome..... \$1 50
Western Grove Y..... 2 50	Tobinsport..... 50
Greenfield Y..... 7 00	<b>PORTER. \$2.88.</b>

<b>HENDRICKS. \$10.00.</b>	<b>POSEY. \$16.00.</b>
Plainfield..... \$2 50	Mt. Vernon..... \$2 50
Fairfield..... 8 00	Mt. Vernon Y..... 7 00
Avon..... 1 50	New Harmony..... 2 50
<b>HENRY.</b>	Stewartsville..... 2 00
Greensboro..... \$1 00	Cynthiana Y..... 3 00
Cadiz..... 2 00	<b>PULASKI. \$3.00.</b>
Spiceland..... 25	Francesville..... \$1 00
<b>HOWARD. \$3.50.</b>	Francesville Y..... 8 00
Sims..... \$1 00	<b>PUTNAM. \$4.19.</b>
Greentown..... 3 50	Greencastle..... \$4 19
Lindley..... 3 00	<b>RANDOLPH. \$0.37.</b>
West Middleton..... 2 00	Cedar..... \$0.50

<b>HUNTINGTON. \$2.00.</b>	<b>JAY. \$1.65.</b>
Warren..... \$5 50	Bryant..... \$5 00
<b>JEFFERSON. \$1.50.</b>	<b>JENNINGS. \$6.00.</b>
Madison..... \$1 50	North Vernon..... \$2 50
<b>JAY. \$1.65.</b>	Hope..... 3 50
<b>JOHNSON. \$4.50.</b>	<b>KNOX. \$19.50.</b>
Greenwood..... \$1 00	Vincennes..... \$2 50
Stone's Crossing..... 2 00	Vincennes Y..... 6 50
Franklin..... 1 50	Edwardsport..... 5 00
<b>KNOX. \$19.50.</b>	Freelandville Y..... 5 50

<b>LAKE. \$12.75.</b>	<b>KOSCIUSKO. \$1.75.</b>
Crown Point..... \$2 50	Milford..... \$4 25
Hammond..... 1 50	<b>LAKE. \$12.75.</b>
Hobart..... 8 75	<b>CROWN POINT. \$2.50.</b>
<b>LA PORTE.</b>	<b>HAMMOND. \$1.50.</b>
LaPorte Y..... \$9 50	<b>HOBART. \$8.75.</b>
<b>LAWRENCE.</b>	<b>LA PORTE. \$9.50.</b>
Bedford..... \$2 00	<b>LAWRENCE.</b>
<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Pendleton..... \$2 00	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Anderson Y..... 50	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Lapel..... 1 50	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Alexandria..... 1 00	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Elwood, Willard..... 5 00	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Elwood, Brehm..... 6 50	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Elwood Y..... 7 00	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>
Frankton..... 2 50	<b>MADISON. \$16.50.</b>

<b>MARION. \$9.50.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Ind'pls, N. East..... \$3 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
" " " Y..... 2 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
" " S. East..... 1 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
" " Mapleton..... 5 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
" " Meridian..... 1 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
" " Willard..... 13 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
West Indianapolis..... 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Broad Ripple..... 1 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MARSHALL. \$0.50.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Bourbon..... \$1 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MARTIN.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Loogootee..... \$5 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MIAMI. \$62.00.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Bunker Hill..... \$5 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Amboy..... 3 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Peru..... 41 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Peru Y..... 13 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MONROE. \$10.50.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Bloomington..... \$10 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MONTGOMERY. \$13.00.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Crawfordsville..... \$13 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>MORGAN. \$19.50.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Martinsville..... \$5 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Martinsville Y..... 2 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Monrovia..... 10 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Paragon..... 3 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Paragon Y..... 2 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Centreton..... 2 50	<b>MARTIN.</b>
<b>NOBLE. \$4.50.</b>	<b>MARTIN.</b>
Albion..... \$2 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>
La Otta..... 3 00	<b>MARTIN.</b>

<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Liberty..... \$4 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
College Corner..... 1 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>VANDERBURG.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Lamasco..... \$1 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>VERMILLION. \$0.50.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Dana..... \$3 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>VIGO. \$9.00.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Terre Haute West Side..... \$5 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Terre Haute Hadley Y..... 2 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Terre Haute Collett Parke..... 7 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WABASH. \$15.50.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
North Manchester..... \$25 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
South Wabash..... 1 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Laketon..... 2 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WARRICK. \$5.70.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Booneville..... \$3 70	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Newburg..... 2 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WASHINGTON.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Fredericksburg..... \$1 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WAYNE.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Fountain City..... \$2 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WELLS. \$17.50.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Bluffton..... \$7 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Ossian..... 4 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Poneto..... 4 00	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Keystone..... 1 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WHITE.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Idaville..... \$2 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Idaville Y..... 5 50	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
<b>WHITLEY.</b>	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>
Churubusco..... \$2 75	<b>OSAGE. \$1.50.</b>



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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DEAR WHITE RIBBON SISTERS—Our beloved President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter's, physician says: "Absolute rest from the work must be taken at once; even life is at stake." I am sure with one united voice we say, Take the rest, and we will every one do our part to make the conditions possible to keep the work moving forward, while our united prayers will go up to God for the perfect recovery of our President and comrade in service. The disease is a nervous disorder. I am sure we all understand what the term "perfect rest" implies.

Dear Secretaries, read this to your Union.  
MARY E. BALCH.

The picture shown tells its own story. Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson for more than two years was business manager of our MESSAGE. She seemed to give a mother's devotion to it, not sparing any effort for its best good, not counting any labor too hard or sacrifice too dear to secure its prosperity. She thought much of and about the paper and little of her own health or ease. No one, only the person who performs the service, will quite understand the amount of labor involved in writing the wrappers, folding the papers, keeping the books, receipting for orders and urging renewals. Largely, yes, almost entirely, with Mrs. Whitson, it was a labor of love most faithfully performed.

Indiana is highly complimented for her plans and methods. From the four points of the compass come complimentary letters. Our gain in membership for two years has drawn the eyes of the nation upon us. That we may be circumspect and not overestimate ourselves, I have taken the annual reports of Michigan on the north, Kentucky on the south, and Ohio on the east, with Illinois on the west, and made some comparisons. These sister States pay salaries to their secretaries and treasurers, but do not have an appropriation committee, and without giving more time than I could well afford in the study of their annual minutes, I could not get the amounts. Ohio in 1899 gave their president \$400, their secretary \$200 and their recording secretary \$20, while the treasurer received \$200. A foot note explained that after the claims of the year were met, if there was a surplus these salaries were to be increased pro rata to equal those of 1897, hence we see that our State is not the only one which pays the workers liberally.

Kentucky in 1898 carried 24 departments and appropriated \$41 for their support. Ohio in 1899 had 31 departments and gave them \$68. Illinois for the same year had 24 departments and appropriated to them \$319 and a few cents. Michigan 32 departments and gave them \$62, and their constitution fixes the amount their departments receive and it cannot be over \$5 each, except by special legislation. Indiana had 32 departments and appropriated \$215. Indiana's departments, however, made the best showing of work of any State in the National Convention, receiving more compliments and more promotions.

Our sister States have nothing to put in the place of our Mid-Year Conference for our Department Board. Ohio and Indiana are incorporated and organized by counties. The others are not incorporated and are organized by district and county. The more intricate the machinery, the greater the running expense and the more friction. Expense and friction will count on the side of loss any time.

Kentucky and Indiana have each \$1 membership, Ohio and Illinois 60 cents, while Michigan does not have a uniform membership. Some Unions have 50 cents, some 60 cents and others \$1. Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky local Unions send 25 cents per member to their State treasury. Illinois sends 30 cents and our State 40 cents. We have no special funds to meet our annual outlay, except the support of one Industrial School. Our sister States do not have a similar institution, but have special funds to which Unions, counties and districts must or are expected to contribute. The 25 cents sent to the State treasury does not meet the needs of these States.

Going back as far as 1896 Ohio and Indiana have gained in members, our gain being made in the last two years. Illinois, Michigan and Kentucky have lost members and the small gains made by them in the last two years does not give them the membership they had in 1896. Ohio being the Crusade State, and Illinois having the publishing house, the National headquarters and the home of our promoted chieftain, must always have some advantage over, not only these States under consideration, but every State. In our State any white ribbon sister, if she receives the suffrage of her peers, may go as a delegate to the National Convention. In these sister States the place the woman fills largely determines who shall have that honor.

MARY E. BALCH.

## THE MESSAGE AND THE W. C. T. U.

Every woman of the five thousand white ribboners of Indiana ought to receive a MESSAGE every month—not an expensive telegraphic or telephonic message, not a letter bearing a two-cent stamp, but a message having great advantages over all these methods of communication.

Our little paper comes to us each month, bearing



Mrs. Whitson, Former Business Manager of the MESSAGE, in Her Sitting Room, Getting the Papers Ready for Mailing.

messages to us from a number of our State officers. It publishes letters from State superintendents to county and local superintendents. It contains suggestions for work, blank reports for county workers, reports from Unions all over the State, field notes and general notes. It keeps its readers in touch with the World, the National and the State workers. All this may come to you each month for less than the cost of a letter, merely the price of a stamp, for in clubs of twelve the price is only 25 cents a year. Think of it, two cents a month. And there are W. C. T. U. women with dead birds on their bonnets who "can't afford it." A woman once gave that excuse to the writer when at the moment her white ribbon was pinned on an elegant silk waist that must have cost \$8 or \$10.

Not only should every woman take the MESSAGE, but she should read and study it. Every letter and request from a State Superintendent to the workers in her department should receive the same courteous treatment you would show to a personal letter. One of the objects of the MESSAGE is to save the labor and expense of personal letters. If our good women would appreciate this and act accordingly, our State Superintendents would not complain so loudly because county superintendents do not report. Take the MESSAGE, read it, follow its instructions and you will be a better, a happier and a more useful woman.

HARRIET F. KIDD.

Wabash, Ind.

## ATTENTION, Y's.

Will the local treasurers please make a special effort to collect dues to send in for the quarter ending March 15? One-half of your year gone. What kind of a record are you making? Doubling your membership, I trust. Miss Nellie Dawson, President of Mt. Vernon, Miss Della Smith, Corresponding Secretary Mt. Vernon Y, and Miss Ida Loveall, County Y Secretary Vigo County, Terre Haute, attended Y Conference at Vincennes.

Recommendation of Plan of Work read as follows: "That each member of the Y pledge herself to bring in one new member before March 15," carried. Now let us work—1000 Y's for 1900.

The Y. W. C. T. U. Conference Program was carried out in full, supplying the places of those who could not be present. We were very much disappointed that our Mrs. Balch, State Superintendent of Medal Contest Work, could not be present. Very helpful and profitable suggestions were given on the topics, which cannot but help strengthen the Y work of our State. Mrs. Ellen K. Denny, Mrs. Emma Joice, of Vigo County, and Mrs. Steers, of Vincennes, were the W. C. T. U. members that attended all day, and Mrs. McJimsey afternoon session. Mr. Henry Bonsib, of

the Phalanx, gave us a spirited talk on material for the press. He said, "Say just what you intend, and say it at once, and leave off the interludes."

The paper on "Purity and Physical Education and Care of the Body," by Mrs. Alice Bierhouse, was one of the most helpful ever listened to by an audience of young women, and never will they forget her earnest words.

"Purity in Literature and Art," by Mrs. Joice, was good, as was Mrs. Arrie Polk's on "Anti-Narcotics," read by Mrs. Denny, Mrs. Polk having met with an accident and could not be present. The prayer services and songs, the beautiful thoughts brought out by the girls will result in an abundant harvest. Terre Haute, Mt. Vernon and Vincennes Y's were represented by their talented workers.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## IN MEMORY OF FRANCES WILLARD.

To win one woman with a conviction against the liquor curse means much. The lives affected and influenced by her prayers, plans and purposes can only be counted in eternity. I hope that each member of your Union will carefully and prayerfully consider the importance of winning one woman, especially one young woman. Our places must be filled. Some of us will need substitutes soon. Let us seek the girls. One girl who has had the advantages of the present day system of education is usually competent to do more work with less effort than those of us whose education was necessarily more limited on account of fewer advantages. Girls everywhere are interested in many phases of our work. If each member would resolve, by God's help, to do all in her power to win one woman and one girl for the W. C. T. U. before February 17, Frances Willard's heavenly birthday, it would mean a lasting and magnificent donation toward the monument being erected in human hearts to the memory of her whose Christ-like life shed its radiance over the womanhood of the world, especially our own beloved America.

How many will earnestly make the effort? Will you? When you decide to try, remember God will help you. Let the new members gained be reported at the services held in commemoration of our Leader's heavenly birthday. Seek women with conviction. Seek girls for Indiana W. C. T. U.

## INSTITUTES.

JENNINGS, LA.

DEAR WHITE RIBBON COMRADES—In this land of sunshine and pleasant weather, where I have been kept so busy in Institute work for a while, my mind wanders back to Indiana. But as I do not have time to be sentimental nor the ability to be poetical, I must be pardoned for saying a few practical things abruptly and pertaining to our Institute work, which we are so soon to enter upon again. If there is no poetry in this, I am sure our Indiana women have been able to bring excellent prose out of it. A greater victory could scarcely come to us than to organize a good, live Union at each point where the Institute is held and thus carry out our plan for this year. To this end let us think, pray and work.

PROGRAM—First, let the County Executive make a careful invoice of its resources for a program, not only from the standpoint of membership, but other local available material should be considered, including ministers, teachers, editors, etc. Do not crowd the program, but take such topics from the outline program as will be most helpful in your locality, and have them followed by discussion. Use department Superintendents and available State Superintendents.

Correspondence in regard to Institutes should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 E. 11th street, Indianapolis, after Institutes open on Feb. 23, excepting that relating to the filling of the program. This should be sent to the Leader of each section. Remember who your Leader is and thus avoid the unnecessary delay and writing which must occur when the wrong person is addressed. For the Leaders of the different sections see January issue of the MESSAGE.

EVENING MEETINGS—First evening, a contest by a well-prepared class, with every detail arranged, from bell-ringing and door-keepers on time to good music, well-chosen judges, a large number of tickets sold in advance, a wide advertisement by the press, bulletin boards and announcements in churches, young peoples' societies, schools, etc. Personal invitation and ticket-selling up to near the time the doors are opened are most fortunate ways of harvesting the results of all former efforts. About the same kind of an advertisement should be given the day meetings and the meeting on the second evening, care being taken to have it understood that this meeting and all others of the Institute are free, excepting that of the contest, and that no collections are taken at day meetings. The time of the second evening need not in every instance all be occupied by the Leader or her assistant, but a symposium, in which ministers and other local speakers take a part, may sometimes be used with most pleasing and helpful results. See Outline Program for symposium topics; also the subjects for evening meetings to be discussed by the workers, as follows:

Five Boys in Knee Pants.

Scientific Temperance Illustrated, by Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson.

Woman's Work for Temperance, by Mrs. Hattie Brand.

(Continued on page 2.)



## THE MESSAGE.

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All communications intended for the *MESSAGE* should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

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INSTITUTES—Continued from page 1.

War and Twentieth Century Civilization, by Miss Mell Newlin.  
The Enfranchisement of Woman, by Rev. M. A. Tompkins.  
The Economics of the Liquor Traffic.

The Origin, Purpose and Methods of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union—What has it Accomplished? By Miss Mary Hadley.

Each County President is requested to bring (or send if illness or like misfortune prevents her attendance) a statement of the entire paid membership of her county, including W's, Y's, Honorary W's and Honorary Y's. Also number of L. T. L's and membership of each; number of copies of the *MESSAGE*, *Union Signal*, *Young Crusader* and *New Crusade* taken. In making such a record give each local Union proper credit for membership and periodicals.

This work will be light, if local. Presidents, assisted by their Treasurers, go to work promptly on call of County President and furnish her with the proper information. Approximate lists of this kind were contributed to each Institute last year by our State Treasurer and all Institute workers found them most helpful, but the State Treasurer has not all of the up-to-date information which the county and local workers have, so these lists should come from them.

THE FILLED PROGRAM—As soon as the program is filled with the names of those who are to take a part plainly written in, send a copy of it to the leader of your section. Do not fail to indicate what subject you wish her to present at the evening meeting.

Gleanings from Institute Discussions of last year:

- Honorary members should be personally invited.
- Y's and L. T. L. should be used on the program and as pages, etc.
- It should be the first concern of the County Executive to give a full attendance throughout the session, and second, to see as far as possible that the membership is in attendance. Visitors sometimes feel lonesome on account of the conspicuous absence of the members and are not won to an organization which does not call out its own membership.
- Whatever strength and nervous energy is expended by the workers in carrying baggage long distances or in re-packing and moving from home to home, is subtracted from the success of the work.
- The lunch should be so simple as not to keep the members from the sessions of the Institute to prepare it.
- Each local Union whose members are not provided with the *MESSAGE* should come to the Institute with such a subscription list as will make this provision and then claim the premium of an annual subscription to the *Union Signal*, as the State has offered this premium for such lists presented at Institutes, whether they are large or small.
- The completed program should be published in two issues of local and county papers, with brief interesting notices given editorially or otherwise for three or four weeks and extending up to the time the Institute opens. Publish, announce, invite.

The foregoing gleanings are not new, but have been successfully carried out from year to year by many counties. But others have had failure written all over their work because the details have not been well planned and faithfully carried out. This is true of Indiana, Louisiana and the world around.

The mercury for some time here has been ranging from 60° to 72°. By midday the fires are allowed to go out and people throw open their doors to get the breeze, see the swelling buds and hear the birds sing. This is delightful! But another quarantine is about to be instituted and I must cancel my gulf dates and come north, not that I am fearful of being swallowed up by the quarantine or the alligators, either, but because I have about reached the time limit for work south. While this has proved good soil for Institute work, with hospitality unbounded, I am quite content to return home and enter the work with my dear Indiana comrades, leaving behind me the most pleasant memories of Louisiana and its dear White Ribboners.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent of Institutes.

## AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

DEAR SISTERS—How I wish we could meet face to face and talk about our work, but as this is impossible, I shall make our dear State paper my messenger to you. I want to thank you who have written to me for your kind letters and ask as a favor that those who have not written will do so, as I want to know what you are doing and help you if I can. Remember, dear co-workers, that I, who am so new in this work, need your help to keep it up to the standard already attained by my predecessor. We can't afford to lose any ground and should work faithfully and prayerfully to get more of our counties organized for this most important work. Will all County Presidents who have not already done so, please appoint a County Superintendent of Work Among Colored People and report the same to me?

Yours for this work in His name,

MRS. CHARLOTTE A. SEARLES,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson spent a week in Noble County, Feb. 1-8.

Aurora has a very flourishing Y and Mrs. Vayhinger, of Moore's Hill, is to give them an address in the near future.

On account of lack of space this month, as last, Mrs. McWhirter's account of the trip to the Seattle convention must be omitted.

South Marion held a gold medal contest at the Military Home on Dec. 31, and Mrs. Flora Woodard, of South Marion, won the medal.

Mrs. Mollie Kiger, of Oxford, is much improved in health and able to take charge of the new L. T. L. started by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson.

Homer Thomas is the brave young President of the Senior L. T. L. at South Marion. This Legion is large and strong and well advanced in Loyal Temperance Legion work.

The splendidly arranged and beautifully designed local Union programs this year indicate something of the wonderful advancement made by the Indiana Unions during the last three years.

Benton County—Mrs. Cammack spent a week at Oxford in December with good results. She had the co-operation of the ministers, and all worked in harmony for the overthrow of King Alcohol.

Marion Central Union has beautiful programs out for the year. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a strong gospel temperance sermon in the Second Friends' church Sunday night, Dec. 31. Fully 100 college students were present.

From the District W. C. T. U. Convention held at Jennings, La., the following telegram was received by Mrs. McWhirter:

GREETING—Miss Hadley is with us; great enthusiasm. Acts 17: 6; Prov. 1: 5. KATE E. WILKINS

White Ribboners of South Bend recently organized a Y at Mishawaka after an address by Mr. Chas. Holler and a chart talk by Mrs. Holler. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Ira Lattimer, president; Miss Mertie Andrews, vice president; Miss Bertie Cross, secretary; Miss Ella Goodling, treasurer.

Moore's Hill. Rev. John Guy, of Louisville, Ky., delivered an address on "The Necessity of Organization Against the Liquor Traffic" to a large and appreciative audience. His argument was unanswerable. At the close of his address seventeen persons pledged themselves for membership in the local W. C. T. U.

January *MESSAGE* contained an item from Upland Union, which has been read and re-read by some of our friends. It is pronounced a "model for condensed news." All Unions can not report so much work done, but all who report what work is done help thus to encourage some other Union. Press Superintendents, please send items and condense them like the "model."

South Marion is not only holding the fort, but stepping up. They have a W. C. T. U., a Y. W. C. T. U., an L. T. L. and a Senior L. T. L. and keep a Suffrage contest class in the field, have a Gospel Temperance meeting the last Sunday night in every month, have a night at the Soldiers' Home once a month, keep up their mothers' meeting, and, well, we can't tell the rest this time. "Go thou and do likewise."

Otterbein Union gave a New Year's social Monday night, which was indeed an enjoyable affair. The W. C. T. U. socials are always looked forward to with pleasure by the young people as well as old. Several were held last year and greatly increased the influence of the Union. Our Union is in the midst of a membership contest, which promises good results. Printed programs for the year are being prepared. The County sent \$12.00 to the Hadley Home this month.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires and little daughter Emma spent two days with the Carp Union as guests of the President, Mrs. Anderson. An interested audience in the Presbyterian church enjoyed a good program on Saturday evening. Little Emma recited. Considering her age, her great talent for speaking and her memory, she is truly a wonderful child. Mrs. Squires' lecture in the same church on Sunday evening was right to the point and much appreciated. The Union was strengthened and has planned to do more aggressive work.

On the 29th of December Mrs. Cammack-Gibson and Mrs. Mary Eaton organized an L. T. L. at Jonesboro with the following officers: Master John Thistle, President; Maud Iliff, Secretary; Anna Burch, Treasurer; Carl Anderson, Captain. It was a very cold day, but eighteen brave children faced the cold wind and came out to be charter members. Mrs. Eaton had just given a children's Temperance Rally here, which greatly interested the children, as well as the fathers and mothers, and prepared the way for the organization. Jonesboro may have been a little behind in the past, but she is coming bravely to the front now.

Morgan County President, Mrs. Sophia Toner, writes: One year ago Martinsville Union decided to have the *MESSAGE* sent to every member, paying the subscription from the treasury. A few thought we could not afford it, as we would not have much left for work, but we have found, as the women know about the work and the need of money, they give, and our work has not suffered from the experiment. You may expect as many subscriptions as we have members. We like the plan to support Hadley Home—3 cents

a month per member. We have distributed our envelopes and will send our proportion in a few days. We are in a healthy condition.

Elkhart County has filed two successful remonstrances against saloons in Nappanee and Middlebury. They intend to fight every application that is made, and have employed attorneys for the purpose. Goshen will publish the liquor law in the newspapers and is agitating the curfew law. Although not very active, at present we are preparing for an earnest effort to organize new Unions in the near future. Most of the Unions observed universal temperance Sunday in November. Middlebury had an especially fine program under the supervision of our efficient County President, Mrs. Phoenix. Our Y's and L. T. L's are flourishing and we are yet very much alive.

Dillsboro W. C. T. U. presented to the Dillsboro Public Schools a large picture of Miss Willard, handsomely framed. One of the High School pupils prepared a short biography of Miss Willard and then Dr. White, of the Presbyterian church, made the presentation speech to the school in a few well chosen words. This was responded to by another of the High School young ladies in a most excellent manner. The Secretary of the School Board then in a short speech of commendation and approval accepted it for the School Board. A few visitors and members of the W. C. T. U. were present and were delighted to have our Chieftain once more held up to the young of our land as a model of excellence.

Madison County Executive met December 15 with Mrs. Retta Jones, County President. It was decided to leave the time of meeting of Spring Convention to each Union. After much discussion it was the opinion of the Executive that the subscription list of the *MESSAGE* could not equal the membership. The Hadley Home thank offering was left to the consideration of each Local President. A resolution was passed, that Madison County will not participate in the sending of chain letters. The report of our Treasurer was very encouraging. We hope to soon have Mrs. Sarah Roberts, of Pendleton, to visit each Union and give a report of the National Convention at Seattle, Washington.

Miss Estelle M. Brainerd, one of the State officers of Maine W. C. T. U., writes: "I have read a large part of your State minutes and intend to read every word. Besides the Normal Institute and Department Conference, I have found many new and helpful ideas and plans. Truly, Indiana is a wonderfully wise and progressive State in W. C. T. U. work. I think it must hold some very bright women who can conceive and carry out such grand plans. I am very desirous that we should adopt some of your fine methods, if possible, in our own State. I enclose 35 cents, for which you will kindly credit me with a year's subscription to your State paper, the *MESSAGE*. You see I intend to borrow all your bright ideas."

The ladies of Dillsboro Union and friends circulated a remonstrance against the only remaining saloon in Dillsboro and succeeded in securing the required number of signatures and about fifteen more. This was duly filed in the Auditor's office before the meeting of the commissioners. The day arrived for these gentlemen to pass judgment upon it and they, upon advice of their attorney, decided that this paper was illegal because the ladies had cut off the headings from all the papers and pasted the names all together under one remonstrance. Several of our women went to Lawrenceburg in the interest of their document, but without effect. Upon the advice of their attorney, they appealed to a higher court.

Brazil—The Mothers' Meeting held at the home of Mrs. Florence H. Hadley was much enjoyed. There were eighteen invited guests present, all of whom expressed themselves as being well pleased. Several joined the Union and others expressed themselves as intending to come in later. Fifty persons were present. We are looking forward to this year as being one of the best we have ever known. We hope to organize a Y here, and also to organize the county, as we have the "clay" at our disposal. With the clay in the hands of the potter and with the necessary spokesman at the wheel, we hope to march onward and upward to victory. We will have our delegate to the National Convention, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, with us soon. We are hoping, with the help of God, to do more aggressive work than ever before.

Point Isabel Union gave an interesting entertainment on Jan. 13, consisting of temperance recitations, dialogues, marches, instrumental and vocal music. The entertainment was held to help the young ladies who have recently come into the Union. We charged an admission and the proceeds amounted to \$17 and some cents. Everybody said it was good and asked us, "Why do you not go somewhere else and give your entertainment?" We had ten young ladies represent the ten virgins. This took well. On Jan. 16 and 17 Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson came to us and visited the schools of Green Township to work up scientific temperance. She also lectured at night and gave one lecture in the southern and one in the northern extremity of the township. Her lectures were very instructive. She also organized an L. T. L. at Point Isabel with fourteen members. Point Isabel is not dead nor dying, but moving right onward. Pray for us, that we may have the same spirit that the W. C. T. U. was born of, then we can study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. Bishop Leighton says, "Fill the bushel with good wheat and there will be no room for chaff and rubbish."



## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Now that we are to have this space for our L. T. L. corner let us together fill it with L. T. L. plans and news.

Since my letter in January MESSAGE I have received a number of addresses of newly elected L. T. L. Branch Secretaries. To these I have sent letters of greeting and instructions. One in reply says, "Your letter was full of information and suggestions that were just what I needed."

Each local president should hold a meeting of her union to consider L. T. L. organization. Use the Responsive Readings on Loyal Temperance Legion. Elect a woman as Branch Secretary and appoint a committee to assist her. According to our Local, County and State Constitutions, the L. T. L. Branch Secretaries come under the head of officers, and are to be elected by ballot the same as are the other officers.

In organizing a new union the corp of officers should always include a Secretary of L. T. L. Branch. Of course they are not ready to organize a Legion, but with an L. T. L. Secretary to acquaint herself and the union with the work, a Legion will follow. The L. T. L. committee from the W. C. T. U. can be appointed every month to assist the Secretary as leader of the Legion, attend the Legion meetings, help enforce order, plan the programs, act as substitutes for teachers and other regular helpers, secure teachers from Young People's Societies, and visit parents in the interest of the Legion.

We want to change the thought in the minds of the W. C. T. U. and others that the Legion is only for children, and that it is a children's society. It is not. It is an organization for the girls and boys, as young as they will come and until as old as they will stay in the Legion. Therefore, in connection with the L. T. L. instead of the word children, let us say girls and boys or young people.

How one Leader solved the problem of a place to meet, I quote from her letter: "We had hard work for a time to find a place for one of our Legions. We had secured on the last of June the Gymnasium of the Y. W. C. A. at 50 cents a meeting, but the rooms were so hot that the face of each child was painted red, which came off of their singing books, and we met there but a few times, as we could not stand the heat. At last the Church let us meet in their Sunday School room, but complaint soon came in that we would wear out the carpets, which the Ladies Aid Society had bought, and we must find some other place. We could not find any room without paying big rent, so I asked the union for a committee to go with me to the meeting of the Ministerial Association, which met every two weeks. Two went with me. We told the ministers all about it, and that if the church carpets were too fine and the pianos too nice for the children to touch we would have to let them go, and the saloons (one of which was in the third building from the church we were then in, and with as fine carpets and furnishings as any of the churches—the "finest" saloon in the city) would gladly welcome our girls and boys in and try to make it pleasant for them. Twenty-three pastors were present, among them the one who had turned us out of his Sunday School room, and every one of them stood up and gave us an invitation to come to their church; one gave us the use of five places. What a grand victory we had. Now we have the churches, the girls and boys and the supplies, but "Where are the Reapers and who will help us?"

Is not "no place to meet" and "no Leader" oftentimes rather an excuse for lack of conviction and energy on the part of the union, and if all the churches were open to the L. T. L. would the W. C. T. U. measure up to the opportunity?

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
General Secretary L. T. L. Branch.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.

Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple.

DEAR SISTERS—The 21st day of December was an ideal winter day, which fact heightened the already high spirits of the inmates of Hadley Home, for this was the day on which an event of unusual interest was to take place—that of holding the first temperance contest by the inmates of the Home.

The Unions and friends of the girls had generously responded to the call for new clothing and bright ribbons, that our girls might look their best, which they surely did. The morning train from Indianapolis was on time and was met by conveyances, we hoping to bring many friends from the city to spend the day at the Home and attend the contest in the afternoon. Four loyal friends came, whereas we had hoped the number would be forty. Mr. Addison Hadley and wife and other neighbors came in and everything passed off well. Mrs. Balch made one of her forceful speeches and presented the silver medal to May Stevens, of LaFayette.

By request of citizens of the village of Hadley the contest was repeated in their church, and other friends at Danville and Amo have made the same request.

Excellent health, attended by earnest work in the day school, also in the domestic department, is the present condition existing at the Home.

As the older girls must necessarily lose some time from school by helping with the washing, they have one hour for study each evening, presided over by the teacher to see that the time is well spent. The younger girls have a half-hour study time.

You are doubtless desirous to hear report from laundry building. One month ago, owing to unavoidable delays in finding workmen or securing good results from workmen at this season of cold, short days, we decided to suspend work until conditions of

weather were more favorable for the erection of a brick building. We decided it was better to suffer great inconvenience for a time rather than take the risk of cracked walls or increased expense in keeping fires to prevent damage to plastering. Most of the building material is on the ground, carefully covered to protect it from damage by freezing. The stone cellars are made and we hope for an early start in the spring to complete this much needed building.

A difficult question confronts us in regard to admission of more girls. When applications for admission are received from counties which have contributed much toward the support of our school, we feel that it is unjust not to take such girls, but how to make room for them and provide for the additional expense they will cause is where the difficulty lies. The past year has not brought us large gifts. What we receive from Unions and our farm are the only sources of revenue. The monthly pay-roll to our Superintendent, teacher, matron and farmer aggregates \$65.00.

Loyalty and energy open the flood-gates of prosperity. Let us stand for this, our work, and be an inspiration and blessing to those whose lives are touched by ours.

System, contentment and industry seem to pervade all departments in the Home. Officers and pupils move along in perfect harmony. Mrs. Lydia A. Binford has spent some time in the Home helping with the sewing for the girls. She gives her time freely and disseminates her gentle influence over all in the Home, thereby brightening the days as well as replenishing the ward-ropes.

The day-school is in good working condition under a loving teacher and friend, Miss Myrtle Davis, of Fairmount. The evening study hour is much appreciated by the girls, as they must necessarily lose some time from day-school to assist in carrying on the domestic department. I send you the Roll of Honor, so that you may recognize your girls, and by next issue hope the names of all the girls may be in it.

Lovingly,

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## DAY-SCHOOL ROLL OF HONOR.

Ida Kearney, Opel Dillon, Olive Guntle, Nora Price, Diamond Scott, Fern Scott, Hannah Barker, Ina Barker, Maggie Collins, Katie Collins, Marian Cox, Belle Griffin, Hazel Collins, Mabel Collins, Fanny Southworth, May Stevens, Rizzie Manifold, Lucille Clemens, Martha Dreager, Anna Seely. MYRTLE DAVIS, Teacher.

## RECEIPTS FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY.

THANK OFFERING.		Edwardsport.....\$6 00	
Terre Haute—Central.....	\$1 75	Loogootee.....	10 00
Broad Ripple.....	7 12	Greencastle.....	3 00
Monrovia.....	6 00	New Castle.....	72
Belle Flowers on Memo- rial.....	15 00	LaFayette.....	2 00
Ossian.....	2 16	Tarleton Union.....	2 22
Zionsville.....	1 80	Mrs. Gipe, on Century Pledge.....	2 00
Phlox.....	45	Fairfield.....	1 35
LaOtte.....	45	Mulberry.....	5 00
Emma Joyce Union.....	1 08	Mary Flick.....	1 00
Elkhart.....	2 10	Union City.....	2 15
Cadiz.....	4 32	W. E. Callane, Century Pledge.....	9 00
Dunkirk.....	1 15	E. G. Kitzmiller, Century Pledge.....	4 00
Mrs. Shemitt.....	1 00	Philip Voorhees, Century Pledge.....	4 00
Fairmount.....	6 01	LaFayette.....	2 95
South Main.....	6 39	Eaton.....	5 00
Brazil.....	6 35		
West Middleton.....	54		
Thorntown.....	3 88		
Moore's Hill.....	2 16		
Talbott.....	2 16		
Otterbein.....	4 10		
Locheil.....	1 17		
Boswell.....	5 00		
Vincennes.....	5 00		
Decatur.....	60		
Columbia City.....	1 17		
Logansport.....	5 00		
Huntington.....	3 08		
LaPorte.....	5 00		
Warren.....	55		
Montpelier.....	70		
North Vernon.....	60		
Avon.....	1 00		
Spiceland.....	1 50		
Friends.....	2 50		
Collett Park.....	1 56		
Bloomington.....	1 50		
Atlanta.....	4 00		
Mrs. M. A. Amo.....	1 00		
Hamilton Co.....	4 00		
Martinsville.....	10 00		

LAUNDRY.	
White Co.....	\$5 00
Auburn.....	5 00
Mrs. C. E. Hess.....	1 00
Grant Co.....	39 04
David Barker.....	5 00
Etta Petters.....	1 00
Hallelujah Class.....	5 00
Eliza Baker.....	5 00
Mapleton.....	5 00
Wells Co.....	10 00
Allen Co.....	10 00
Sarah Curtis.....	5 00
Tippecanoe.....	5 00
Marian Co.....	7 25
Sarah Curtis.....	5 00
Tippecanoe Co.....	5 00
Hamilton Co.....	5 00
Anna Kilmer.....	5 00
Greencastle.....	2 00
Kate Lebrick.....	5 00
Alma Shaw.....	3 00

## LAUNDRY.

EXPENSES.		
Coal and lime.....	\$21 20	
Building material.....	100 00	
F. T. McWhirter, on insurance.....	25 00	
Myrtle Davis, teacher, November and December.....	30 00	
Stella Green, assistant, November and December.....	30 00	
Colbert Griffin, November and December.....	30 00	
Betty Parker, matron, November and December.....	40 00	
A. Rudd, lumber for laundry.....	40 00	

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

DEAR SISTERS—The plan I have for you next quarter for raising funds for our Industrial School is to have an editorial on the school in your town paper, with cut of building, asking for donations. Have some one solicit for offerings, placing names of donors in paper. I will furnish cut to any one sending for it. Address me in future, REBECCA HESSONG, Nora Rural Route, Marion County, Ind.

## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENTS.

The new departure, or the new "take-up," of the Industrial School of the W. C. T. U. by its present Superintendents has required a great deal of thought on the part of one of its members, while the other one, you all know, has been connected with the School previously. Space and time have intervened since the change in affairs—that is, since the special department under Superintendents has been created. You are asked to be patient with us if we do not fall into line in perfect order. Yet we shall try and strike in the right direction.

We all are aware of the fact that the Hadley School, or Home,

for protecting and educating needy and indigent girls of Indiana should be supported, and that the W. C. T. U. is the responsible party for the work. At the State Convention we listened to many reasons given for active work regarding the needs of the Home.

In the MESSAGE for December Mrs. Balch speaks of "The Stirring Campaign." I wish that all would read that item and conclude that that means me and at once comply with its suggestions. You should also refer to the State Minutes, page 55, and there acquaint yourselves with the wishes of the Executive Committee. It does not appear necessary to reprint those items, even in this article, for this MESSAGE, as the State Minutes should be in the hands of every Indiana W. C. T. U. worker. It is generally supposed that the Superintendents of this department will keep in line with the needs and plans of the Home and thus try to bring them before you all for action as best we can.

Mrs. Beck, of Bloomington, will comply with any request for lectures possible. Correspond with her in regard to them.

It will be well to understand that the desire of the Superintendents of this department is to aid and not to retard the work they have been asked to perform. Correspondence is solicited and will be carefully considered. (MRS.) IDA R. BENHAM.  
MRS. L. M. BECK.

Do we read understandingly? MESSAGE, single subscriptions, 35 cents. In clubs of twelve, 25 cents. Do you send less than twelve names at 25 cents? If you do the State feels embarrassed about it. A union whose every member takes the MESSAGE can have a Union Signal free. If the union has less than twelve members, do you think it right to send names in at 25 cents and then ask the Union Signal free? If you do this you may gain as a union, but it is at a loss to the work at large.

Wallace Union, Indianapolis, has a Baby Circle. They give the mother a printed certificate which reads: "This certifies that ..... is a member of the Baby Circle of the Wallace Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indianapolis, by the payment of ten cents per year, until at the age of six ..... becomes a member of the L. T. L. of the State of Indiana. Signed by the President and Secretary."

Now, this is too good to stay in one Union. It should be adopted by the State, and will be, no doubt, at the next convention. However, the regular order would be that the Loyal Legion have the Baby Circle. Wallace Union uses the money for literature, and it should become a literature fund in every instance. I can furnish these certificates for ten cents a dozen, postpaid. Central Union Loyal Legion must be put down for Baby Circle No. 2. MARY E. BALCH.

Greencastle Union was favored on the evening of January 25th with an address by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Though the weather was very unpleasant and the hour of the meeting late, her earnest, convincing words seemed to rivet the attention of the audience. We feel confident that much of the good seed sown will bear fruit. A number of young men and women of the University remained with others at the close to meet Mrs. Stanley and to give their names for membership in the Union. We are entering upon the new year with some encouragement and with prayer for the success of the work that lies so near all our hearts. Our meetings are quite well attended and are both devotional and interesting. Several names have been added to our membership recently. In the future our meetings will be held monthly instead of bi-weekly. Annual printed programs have just been issued.

MRS. A. T. RILEY.

LaFayette Central met January 19 at Mrs. S. W. Elliott's. These meetings have always proved to be interesting. Mrs. S. N. Crouse was unable to be present on account of illness, and her Original Story will be presented at our next meeting. Excellent papers were read by Mrs. Anna Vaughn and Mrs. Elliott. Miss Kate Gregory presented an original poem on Temperance. Miss Chloe Phillips gave a pleasing recitation. Quite a number of our union are taking the MESSAGE. Another club was started at Mrs. Elliott's, which will reach the MESSAGE as soon as possible. Also a subscription fund in behalf of the Hadley Home is being paid by the members of this union. We are enthusiastic in our work, and feel there is no necessity of sitting with folded hands. We are also planning for an "At Home," so as to have extra change and not drain the treasury for the many needs of the union, such as leaflets, literature, etc. Our next meeting will be February 21.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Liberty, came to Eaton Saturday morning and was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. M. Carmichael. Saturday night at the M. E. Church she preached a beautiful sermon, subject "Who shall roll away the stone?" Sabbath morning her sermon was more than ordinary, subject from Isaiah, "The man of God who said, cry aloud and spare not." Sunday night she gave a lecture on "A trip to Seattle, Washington," which was listened to with great earnestness. The business men, doctors, lawyers, bankers and factory men complimented her by saying the lecture was beautiful; it could not be given only by an earnest, educated W. C. T. U. woman who is working for God and home and every land. The Eaton Union was happy to receive twenty-six new members, making a total membership of eighty-six. A reception was given in honor of Mrs. Stanley at the home of Mrs. J. M. Carmichael. It was well attended and every one went away saying, "we enjoyed the evening very much." Mrs. Stanley was called on to entertain the guests, which was beautifully done by giving a talk on the W. C. T. U. work. Elegant refreshments were served by the committee. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lydia Carmichael. Everybody cordially invited.



## REPORT OF STATE TREASURER FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

DUES.			
Center.....	\$3 50	Ligonier.....	\$2 00
Peru.....	5 50	LaOtta.....	1 50
Fairmount.....	2 00	Wawaka.....	50
South Marion.....	6 00	Carthage.....	2 00
Seymour.....	3 00	Manilla.....	1 00
Camden.....	50	Milroy.....	1 50
Flora.....	1 00	Anderson.....	2 50
Chalmers.....	3 50	Elwood, Brehm.....	1 00
Ashley.....	50	Alexandria.....	1 50
Lyons.....	3 00	Lapel.....	3 00
Bloomfield.....	2 00	Elwood, Willard.....	2 50
Plummer.....	1 00	Pendleton.....	2 50
Marion.....	2 00	New London.....	1 00
Hartford City.....	7 00	Phlox.....	3 50
Atlanta.....	2 50	Greentown.....	4 00
East LaFayette.....	1 50	West Middleton.....	1 50
Hoagland.....	1 00	Lindley.....	1 50
Ft. Wayne.....	10 00	Kokomo.....	7 00
Brazil.....	1 50	Moores Hill.....	1 50
Marion, Central.....	10 50	Rome.....	1 57
Marion, Hadley.....	1 50	Monrovia.....	50
Greencastle.....	2 00	Martinsville.....	1 50
Bedford.....	1 50	Brooklyn.....	1 00
Lamasco.....	2 00	Crown Point.....	50
Logansport, West Side... Lucerne.....	1 50 1 88	Hammond.....	1 00
Royal Center.....	2 50	Boswell.....	1 00
Valparaiso.....	1 00	Lochiel.....	5 00
Hebron.....	2 25	Otterbein.....	5 00
South Bend, Central.....	1 50	Mt. Vernon.....	2 00
“ Colfax Ave.....	1 00	New Harmony.....	50
“ Chapin Pk.....	1 00	Bluffton.....	6 50
Muncie.....	4 50	Ossian.....	10 00
Eaton.....	1 00	Poneto.....	1 00
Huntington.....	7 00	Keystone.....	1 00
Warren.....	1 50	Richmond, Willard.....	4 00
Decatur.....	2 50	“ M. F. Thomas.....	3 00
Brazil.....	5 00	Fountain City.....	1 00
Churubusco.....	2 50	Centerville.....	50
Columbia City.....	1 00	Sunman.....	3 00
Columbus.....	50	Butler.....	1 50
Hope.....	1 00	Garrett.....	2 00
Petersville.....	1 00	St. Joe.....	4 50
Monon.....	1 00	Auburn.....	2 00
Frankfort.....	1 00	Collette Park.....	1 00
Mulberry.....	2 00	Terre Haute, West Side..	1 00
Rossville.....	1 50	Evansville, Central.....	2 00
Rockport.....	4 00	Briant.....	1 50
Tipton.....	2 00	Dunkirk.....	1 00
Bloomington.....	3 00	Red Key.....	1 00
Coloma.....	1 00	Worthington.....	2 00
Western Grove.....	50	Coatesville.....	2 50
Greenfield.....	50	Plainfield.....	4 50
Washington.....	50	Amboy.....	1 50
Marengo.....	3 00	Bunker Hill.....	1 50
Wabash.....	4 00	LaFayette.....	7 00
South Wabash.....	1 25	Stockwell.....	1 50
North Manchester.....	7 50	Burlington.....	1 50
Laketon.....	1 62	Bath.....	50
Greensburg.....	2 50	Indianapolis, Meridian..	9 50
LaPorte.....	5 00	“ S. East.....	1 00
Michigan City.....	3 00	“ Wallace.....	1 50
Westville.....	50	“ N. East.....	1 00
Loogootee.....	5 25	“ Willard.....	1 50
Kentland.....	1 00	“ Central.....	1 00
Morocco.....	2 50	Bridgeport.....	50
Winchester.....	50	Broad Ripple.....	1 00
Modoc.....	1 75		\$366 57
Cedar.....	1 50		
Vincennes.....	4 00	Y DUES.	
Freelandville.....	1 50	State Y.....	\$0 50
Upland.....	5 00	South Bend, Willard.....	50
Back Creek.....	50	Goshen.....	7 00
Jonesboro.....	3 00	Anderson.....	2 50
Point Isabel.....	5 00	Monrovia.....	6 00
Oak Ridge.....	1 00	Martinsville.....	1 00
Deer Creek.....	2 50	Terre Haute, Hadley.....	1 00
Ashley.....	1 00		\$18 50
Angola.....	4 00	L. T. L. DUES.	
Freemount.....	1 00	Martinsville.....	\$0 80
Thorntown.....	4 00	Seymour.....	2 50
Zionsville.....	1 00	Kokomo.....	80
Lebanon.....	1 00	Bath.....	1 05
Middlebury.....	2 50	Peru.....	2 10
Elkhart.....	4 00	Graduate dues.....	2 25
Goshen.....	2 00		\$9 50
Birch Creek.....	3 00		

## SUMMARY.

Balance from last year.....	\$335 92
Collections State Convention.....	86 05
Receipts from Woolley's lectures.....	166 25
Convention fund.....	17 50
Sale of scarf pins.....	12 88
" Hand books.....	6 30
" Record books.....	1 05
" Pictures.....	4 50
" Convention badges.....	20 00
Returned by M. A. Colton.....	22
" Marion Local Committee.....	16 00
Collection Benefit Night at National Convention.....	9 26
County dues.....	1 22
L. T. L. dues.....	9 50
State dues.....	385 07
Total.....	\$1071 72

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Appropriation to State Superintendents.....	\$215 00
Appropriation to Y Secretary.....	15 00
Appropriation to L. T. L. Secretary.....	15 00
Lillian Stevens and Anna Gordon, expenses.....	30 00
John G. Woolley.....	50 00
Convention fund to Local Committee.....	50 00
Per cent sale of tickets.....	16 00
Return check to Margaret Ross.....	15 00
Scarf pins.....	7 85

Press work.....	\$13 69
Postals.....	20 00
Flowers for National President at National Convention at time of election.....	2 50
Badges (silk and paper) for National Committee.....	6 00
Electrotype repairing.....	75
Framing life membership certificates.....	2 60
Organizations.....	58 60
Telegrams and expressage.....	6 65
General printing.....	44 67
Part on printing State Minutes.....	61 90
Literature.....	5 00
Convention expenses and General Officers' expenses to same.....	23 45
State President's appropriation.....	37 50
" postage.....	24 00
" supplies.....	55
" expenses to National Convention.....	14 00
Vice-President's postage.....	4 65
" supplies.....	55
" car fare.....	3 70
Corresponding Secretary's appropriation.....	85 00
" postage.....	12 95
" supplies.....	2 70
" car fare.....	2 95
Recording Secretary's appropriation.....	25 00
" postage.....	1 30
" supplies.....	90
" car fare.....	2 25
Treasurer's appropriation.....	35 00
" postage.....	14 21
" supplies.....	2 32
L. T. L. dues to L. T. L. Secretary.....	3 63
Y dues to Y Secretary.....	8 33
National dues to National Treasurer.....	77 01
Balance.....	53 56
Total.....	\$1071 72

## OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Due Corresponding Secretary, quarterly appropriation.....	\$40 00
Due on printing Minutes.....	200 00
Due State Treasurer, quarterly appropriation.....	15 00
Due National Treasurer, L. T. L. dues.....	5 87
Total.....	\$260 00

Respectfully submitted,

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

## INDIANAPOLIS Y. W. C. T. U. CONFERENCE.

## PROGRAM.

Saturday, March 17, 1900.

Divisions—1, Evangelistic; 2, Social; 3, Purity; 4, Scientific.

## MORNING.

8:30. Organization of Conference.	
FIRST DIVISION—EVANGELISTIC.	
9:00. Bible Reading—Miss Clara M. Sears.	
9:20. Sabbath Observance—Martinsville Y.	
9:30. Sunday School Work—Greenfield Y.	
SECOND DIVISION—SOCIAL.	
9:40. Parlor Meetings—Indianapolis Y.	
9:50. Flower Mission—Martinsville Y.	
10:00. Medal Contest—Monrovia Y.	
10:20. Press—Coatesville Y.	
10:30. Literature—Indianapolis Y.	
10:40. Miscellaneous Business.	
11:00. Questions on Topics Discussed.	
11:10. Noontide Praise Service—Miss Mary Duncan, President Greenfield Y.	
11:30. Adjournment.	

## AFTERNOON.

1:15. Song Service and Prayer—Monrovia Y.	
Scripture Reading (146th Psalm) by audience.	
1:30. Minutes of Morning Session, Reports of Committees, etc.	
1:35. Solo.	
THIRD DIVISION—PURITY.	
1:40. Purity and Physical Education.	
Care of the Body—Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, State President.	
2:20. Purity in Literature and Art—Coatesville Y.	
FOURTH DIVISION—SCIENTIFIC.	
2:30. Anti-Narcotics—Miss Zella Miller, State Superintendent.	
2:45. Importance of L. T. L. Work—Mrs. Mary E. Balch.	
3:10. Solo.	
3:20. Is Scientific Temperance Taught in Your School? All take part.	
What is the State Law?—Greenfield Y.	
3:30. Have You a Curfew?	
3:40. Question Box—Conducted by Mrs. Whitson, State W. C. T. U. Treasurer.	
4:00. Adjournment with Prayer.	

## PROGRAM QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT MEETING, MARCH, 1900.

Opening services by the Evangelistic Superintendent.

## CONTEST.

No. 1. The American's Creed.	
No. 2. Is the W. C. T. U. Worthy of Citizenship?	
No. 3. Patriotic Sons of Temperance.	
No. 4. The Drummer's Story.	
No. 5. No Saloons up There.	
No. 6. A True Story.	

While the judges are out, distribute leaflet No. 1, furnished by Homer J. Hall, Franklin, Ind., at ten cents a hundred, and have the President of the Union read the Articles of Membership and solicit for new members. Close with temperance doxology and benediction.

These selections are all found in the National Educator No. 3. Let each Union try to sell 200 tickets. (See notice concerning tickets in this issue.) Make the regular division of the money. Use suffrage or matron's medal.

Is there any Union that does not understand the object of this department meeting? First, agitation; second, education; third, money to prosecute the department work. Half of the money received from this program goes to the Local Treasurer, one-fourth to the County Treasurer and one-fourth to the State Treasurer and every cent of it to be used in the interest of the departments. A

Union having no County Treasurer retains three-fourths. We trust some one will bring this program before the Union and urge the carrying of it out. The meeting could be held in February if preferred. Dear Secretaries, read this in the Unions.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Chairman Committee.

We regret that on account of lack of space some excellent articles could not appear in this issue and that others must be set in fine type. This, we think, will not occur again and hope our readers will think only "kind criticisms."

Auburn W. C. T. U. work still moves on with the usual amount of enthusiasm. Our meetings are held in the Mission rooms every two weeks. These rooms were kindly offered to us by Mr. Charles Eckart, who rented them and supports the mission work done here. They are pleasantly furnished. A large picture of the saintly face of Frances Willard adorns the wall. This picture was presented to the Union by a sister who formerly lived here and is active in the great work that is being done by the women of our country. Just at present the temperance people of our town are considerably wrought up over the remonstrance question. We have been circulating a petition for the power of attorney. We feel that we must come out victorious in this movement, for God is with us. We are greatly encouraged in our work, as the temperance sentiment was never so good as at this time, and we believe the people are awakening to the fact that there is a better way to live and a better atmosphere to live in, and the voters of the township are coming to the front and taking their proper places on the side of right, "For God and home and native land."

Indianapolis.—Frances E. Willard Union observed its first anniversary on the 16th of January at the home of Mrs. E. G. Cornelius, with an excellent program, consisting of addresses, recitations and special music. The prominent feature of the occasion was an address by our State President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, who spoke over 30 minutes on the "Advancement of the work in this and other counties," which was delivered in such a charming manner that it was greatly enjoyed. One other very interesting address was given by the Rev. J. Cumming Smith, of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church. The State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, in her cheery manner, gave "Echoes from the Seattle Convention," and displayed the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner, also a Crusade Poster, a fac-simile of the one exhibited at the late National Convention at Seattle. The audience was large and appreciative. A good offering was taken for our Hadley Industrial School. New members were gained. After adjournment dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, who is an honorary member of the Union. A social hour was enjoyed.

Union County begins the glad new year with six new members. Held four mass meetings in the county in December. All churches are open to us. Nearly all the ministers are honorary members. We have Col. Geo. W. Barn and Hon. John G. Woolley already under engagement for our annual rally. We also expect to have Volney B. Cushing and Quincey Lee Morrow in the springtime. The latter comes through the State Prohibition Committee. Our voters are in favor of equal suffrage. Our schools hold Mothers' Meetings. Our churches have union services on most of our Red Letter Days. Sabbath Observance and Flower Mission are popular departments. I have two months' work planned outside of my own county, in which time I pledge to secure 100 new members to Indiana W. C. T. U. Secured thirty-eight members in December. Local Presidents promised to send clubs for MESSAGE. The name of my county is the motto in my work, "Union." If people knew what the W. C. T. U. is endeavoring to do they would unite in the effort to promote clean citizenship, pure patriotism and righteous public sentiment that will, ere long, banish the saloon from this and every nation under heaven. ELIZABETH B. STANLEY,  
President.

## SOMETHING NEW.

Yes, and untried; but they promise to be helps in "our peaceful war" or in our "do-everything policy." Tickets to sell for our medal contests. Small envelopes with five tickets therein. On the back of these envelopes are printed instructions. The envelope with money enclosed for the five tickets sold admits the seller when presented at the door. I can furnish you 40 envelopes and 200 tickets for 35 cents, postpaid. Order them for your next contest and see if they will not bring you a \$20-house.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Mattie Armstead died at her home in Mishawaka, January 24. For years she was President of the Monon Union and for two years President of White County. One year ago her family moved to Mishawaka. There being no Union there, she paid her dues and kept her membership at Monon. She was faithful to the cause of temperance and was first in every good work. She fed the hungry, clothed the naked and visited all beds of pain. Surely the Master has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it to the least of these, ye have done it unto me." She leaves a husband and three children.

In loving remembrance of little Marcie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al. Moorman, who died November 26, 1899, at the home of her parents in Silver avenue. Little Marcie was the only infant member of West Indianapolis Union and was doubly dear to our members on account of the untiring efforts of her mother while President of our Union for the past three years.

Susan M. Garrigus, of Kokomo, went over into the new life January 3. This sister was the mother of our Lida Outland.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the State Executive Committee is called to meet at North Vernon, April 3, at 1 p. m., at the M. E. Church, continuing through April 4. The Committee consists of the general officers of the State, the County Presidents and the Branch Secretaries. Railroad rates cannot be secured. Trains leave Indianapolis at 8:00 a. m. and 3:40 p. m. on the Pennsylvania line; on the Big Four at 3:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. Fare one way from Indianapolis, \$1.90.

Signed, GEN'L OFFICERS INDIANA W. C. T. U.

### PROGRAM—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

#### APRIL 3—AFTERNOON.

1:00. Executive Committee convenes for business.

#### EVENING.

7:30. Devotions, conducted by Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City.

8:00. Suffrage Contest, in charge of State Superintendent. Admission, 10 cents  
Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, of Moore's Hill, will have charge of the music.

#### APRIL 4—MORNING.

9:00. Business Meeting.

#### AFTERNOON.

1:00. Business Meeting.

#### EVENING.

7:30. Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President, will preside and take charge of the opening services.

8:00. An Address by Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., National Recording Secretary and Kentucky's State President.  
Collection—Adjournment.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR SISTERS—If your Union has not tried the Membership Contest plan, will you please consider it? Some of our Unions have more than doubled their membership by this novel and interesting sweet-spirited rivalry. For details of plan see February MESSAGE.

Let nothing prevent your Union from having an active press reporter. If the sister appointed, for any reason cannot do the work, secure another. As members, seek to know the newspaper men, and always remember that their columns are their individual property. Tell them that the space given to our cause is appreciated. By vote of the Union have a letter of thanks sent them by the Secretary. In many ways seek to express gratitude for each little kindness shown our cause by the press, the power of whose scepter has not been measured. Whenever your Union has the co-operation of the press, the ministry and the teachers, you may be assured great strides have been made toward victory. Hold monthly gospel temperance meetings if possible; if not in the big churches, go to a mission church or school house—hold the meetings. Have a definite program and have recitations and songs by the children. National Leaflet No. 80 contains programs for such meetings. "Saloons Must Go," "We're for Home and Mother," and many other stirring songs with music, are published in leaflet form and sold at 15 cents per hundred. Send five cents for the leaflet containing programs and for song leaflets to Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, LaSalle and Monroe streets, Chicago, Ill.

Please seek to bring in the young women and young men. Each year every member should secure the interest and efforts of at least one young woman or one young man for the W. C. T. U. To do this will perhaps require some definite and systematic work, but, sisters, when the roll is called up yonder, all of our efforts here will be counted as chaff except those which have been made to help immortal souls Heavenward. Seek to enlist a sister or a brother whose influence will go on and on after your labors have ceased. We need the efforts and influence of more girls and women and boys and men.

To every person who will secure five new regular members by May 1, and send me their names, stating their full membership dues are paid, I will give a life sized picture of Miss Frances E. Willard.

I am restricted from work and desire to show in a very small way my appreciation of my sisters who do work. Oh! this work must go on regardless of the workers. It depends largely upon the mighty enginery of the W. C. T. U. to push ahead in the great reform lines affecting our homes, our churches and our state.

Each local union should each year

1. Organize a Y. or W. and work and pray for its success.
2. Organize an L. T. L. whose membership should take the prescribed course of study for graduation.
3. Hold twelve medal contests.
4. Hold twelve public meetings, in churches school buildings and mission rooms, including Institutes and picnics.
5. Hold quarterly Department meetings.
6. Have annual programs upon which Red Let-

ter Days are observed, Department work presented and World's National and State Superintendents considered, also the great plan of the W. C. T. U. discussed.

7. Have the "World's Wave Crests" read from the *Union Signal* in union meetings.

8. Arrange a plan by which the MESSAGE, *Union Signal* and State Annual Report would be in the hands of the members. The entire cost of all, \$1.25 per year.

9. Have a collection taken at all public meetings and charge admission to all oratorical contests.

10. Request that at every public and regular meeting held by the Union, the President should have a box containing a liberal supply of membership pledge cards, bows of white ribbon and one dozen small lead pencils well sharpened.

If every one of our nearly 300 local Unions in Indiana would persistently carry on the above ten plans besides their other work for five years, the white ribbon host of our State would be largely instrumental in putting the ballot in the hands of women and bringing the glad day of State and National prohibition of the liquor traffic. This can only be done by united efforts. The added influence of each person over whose heart flutters the white ribbon is needed now as never before. The liquor element is each month becoming better and better organized, thus getting more fully equipped to carry on the work of blighting girlhood and debauching boyhood. The influence of this business contaminates the atmosphere of our homes and our churches. We can not free ourselves from this influence so long as the fathers and brothers of our State sanction the licensing of saloons and wine rooms. To the end that our cause shall win, dear sister, will you reconsecrate your life? Your influence and energies will help. A W. C. T. U. consisting of a membership with conviction that to license a crime is sin, that saloons must go, and seeking to have their hearts filled with the love of Christ (which brings love for humanity) so that there will be no place for jealousy, envy and malice, will bring victory to the soul of each individual, which is necessary for ultimate victory for God and humanity. "Only the Golden Rule of Christ can bring the golden age of man."

Lovingly,

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

## REGULAR MEMBERSHIP ROLL OF HONOR.

Mrs. F. H. Frink, of Valparaiso; Mrs. A. T. Whitson, State Treasurer.

## THE Y. W. C. T. U.

The second Y. W. C. T. U. Conference was held in Anderson February 17, at the Meridian street M. E. Church. Secretary Miss Clara M. Sears, of the State organization, presided during the day, opening the conference with a bible reading. Be wise, in sowing and reaping. Gal. 6, 7-8. Miss Lizzie Lenfesty acted as Secretary of Conference. Mrs. Hattie Coxen, President of Elwood Y, gave a good and helpful paper on Sunday School Work. Rev. Walter Carpenter took a place on program in the discussion of Sabbath Observance. Miss Nellie Whitney held a beautiful noon-tide praise service. Luncheon was served to about 45 in the church who spent the noon hour in a social way; 1:15 the afternoon program was opened by a service conducted by Rev. Carpenter. Mrs. Retta Jones, President of Madison County, gave a very helpful paper on Purity in Literature and Art. Mr. Ed. C. Toner, of the newspaper staff, spoke in an interesting manner on the Press. Mr. Toner was not understood by all, but those who did understand liked his plan and he received many compliments. Anderson Y's will endeavor to try his plan. Mrs. R. M. McMahan then gave a beautiful talk on Purity and Physical Culture—Care of the Body. Each one present was helped to higher and purer desires to care of this body. Mrs. Pittenger followed in prayer. The paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication by Dr. J. O. Morrison, a physician (who never uses alcohol, in any form, and is helping other to temperate lives), was next on program. Mrs. Pauline Pittenger gave a paper on Anti-Narcotics, also the Scientific Temperance Instruction Law and the way it is taught by Miss Vinna Colling, of Marion, was fine. All were helped and enthusiastic to go on with the good work; five new members were gained for the Anderson Union.

By arrangement of the Anderson Y, February 14, the Hon. John G. Wooley gave a lecture in the Christian church on "What Ails the Church," to a full house. Nearly all appreciated it; as usual a few did not.

February 26th the Anderson Y had an illustrated lecture by the Rev. R. M. Bentley.

To the corresponding secretaries of the Y Unions: The blanks are in your hands for second quarter's report; let it be the best we have had for years. Go and see your treasurer, and see if you can't send us dues for twenty members instead of fourteen.

South Bend holds the Third Y Conference on the evenings of March 1st and 2d. The program is well filled and it promises to be very interesting and helpful. Each member is a subscriber for the state paper, the MESSAGE.

Work and pray, girls. Secure all the new members you can and help bring up Indiana's membership to 1,000.

Yours lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE DEPARTMENT, NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

The Sabbath Observance Department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union came into existence at the National Convention held in St. Louis in 1884, when the following resolution was unanimously adopted, giving to the department the support of the entire organization: "Since the sanctity of the Sabbath lies at the foundation of the commonwealth, the influence of our organization shall be earnestly, consistently and everywhere given in behalf of its right observance, and of the enforcement of all laws designed to guard it from desecration." At this convention Miss Willard, President of the N. W. C. T. U., spoke in her annual address of the close relation existing between the liquor traffic and Sabbath desecration, and so it was that through the remarks of this woman of God that the department was born.

Mrs. J. C. Bateham was made Superintendent of the department and served as such until the fall of 1896, when she was forced to resign on account of failing health and Mrs. Varila F. Cox, of Tallahassee, was elected as her successor. Mrs. Cox recognized in our Indiana State Superintendent of her department, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, a woman of rare ability and consecration. By recommendation of Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Holler was elected as her associate by the last National Convention, held at Seattle. Thus Indiana was honored and the National department force strengthened.

It is the aim of the department to educate and evangelize and to improve the social and legal status of the day. The department now has over 15,000 superintendents, who distribute annually about one million pages of literature, and there has been secured over 30,000 signatures to the Sabbath Observance Pledge.

## COUNTY INSTITUTE WORKERS, ATTENTION!

Will committees in arranging institute programs find room for a paper on "Statistics of Our Country"? Let the writer touch all the points mentioned below.

This will not only prove a valuable paper in calling the attention of your citizens to the cost of the traffic, but will be of inestimable value in compiling statistics for the State. Such a paper carefully prepared will prove one of the most interesting features of the Institute.

1. Number of saloons in the county.
2. Amount of license paid.
3. Number of arrests for drunkenness.
4. Amount of fines paid.
5. Number days spent in jail.
6. Expense of prosecutions.
7. Number of murders and other crimes committed through drink.
8. Number sent to state prison.
9. Number in poor house and orphans' homes brought there by drink.
10. Entire cost of liquor traffic in your county.
11. Number of known violations of law, as selling to minors, to habitual drunkards, on the Sabbath, etc.

It is hoped that great care will be taken to assign these papers to energetic women who will visit proper officials and search records in quest of information. Have the papers published in the county papers.

HARRIET F. KIDD.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE PLEDGE, RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

I agree, 1, to observe the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship.

2. To neither purchase nor patronize Sunday newspapers.

3. To use my influence by word and example against railroad and steamboat travel and excursions.

4. Not to patronize any store, news stand, drug store (except for medicine), bakery or any other place of unnecessary work on the Sabbath, and to use my influence to close them.

5. Not to send or call for mail on the Sabbath.

6. To make the Sabbath work at home as light and simple as possible, that all may enjoy the privileges of the day.

7. To use my influence for legislation that will protect the Sabbath as a day of rest and worship.

Name.....

April 2d, Sabbath Observance Day. Begin Now to Ask Ministers and Sabbath School Superintendents to Observe April 2d.



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When this you see, remember me,  
And send a quarter speedily;  
If through this there's no line of blue,  
Don't mind the rhyme, it's not for you.



MRS. MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent Oratorical Medal Contest Department.

## MEDAL CONTEST DEPARTMENT.

By MRS. MARY E. BALCH, State Superintendent.

### BRING IN THE SHEAVES.

Unconscious of the weariness of labor, our young people acquire the graces of oratory; but better than all this is the stand it leads them to take on the question of the saloon in politics, where the last battle over the rum power must be fought. Men and women of strong partisan prejudices and unapproachable by every other method have been reached and converted by these contests.

Total number of Silver Contests, as given in the several annual reports of Indiana up to date of Oct. 6, 1899, 2,815; Small Gold, 347; Grand Gold, 22; Dia-



SILVER.

GOLD.

mond, 7; total, 3,191. Books used in the work, 8,000. One book converted a German beer-drinker to a voting Prohibitionist. One contest led a dull, thoughtless boy to stand as a minister in the pulpit and preach the word of God, which includes prohibition of rum-selling. One contest led a thoughtless, Godless woman to seek and



GRAND GOLD.

Now turn to the financial side. The vexing point of all reform is how to support it. One year, over and above cost of medals, books, advertising, hall rent, etc., there was turned into the local treasuries \$1,239.75. This item has not been kept sufficiently correct other years to give it, and it never has been what it should be, for so many delight to make the contests free and have not charged the ten cents admittance; while others have been ceaseless in reporting receipts, as their returned certificates show. Is your Union asleep? Hold a contest. Is your treasury empty? Hold a contest. Do you wish to enlist the young? Hold a contest. "We just can't do anything!" Hold a contest.

MARY E. BALCH.

### NATIONAL BANNER AND PRIZES FOR 1900.

In awarding the National Banner the following conditions will be taken into consideration.

1. Number of Contests of highest order, Gold, Grand Gold and Diamond. Those finishing the course to receive diplomas.
2. Number of Contests held at County, District and State Conventions.
3. Number of Contests held in the month of June as a memorial to Mr. and Mrs. W. Jennings Demorest.
4. Number of Contests in proportion to membership.

The following prizes are for any W. C. T. U. worker in our State.

Prize, "The Beautiful Life of Miss Willard," will be given to the one holding the largest number of contests during the year.

To the County Superintendent whose county holds the largest number of contests, a gold medal.

We believe in stimulating the use of W. C. T. U. Educator and Demorest recitation books. To the state or territory using most books, name will be placed on roll of honor.

### STATE PRIZES FOR 1900.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold four Diamond Contests will be entitled to a Grand Gold Medal, or a set of Miss Willard's books free.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold five Grand-Gold Contests will be entitled to a Small-Gold Medal, or a life-size picture of Miss Willard, framed, free.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold five Small-Gold Contests will be entitled to any Silver Medal free.

Work to begin October 7, 1899, and will close October 6, 1900.

It is a great injustice to contestants not to give them opportunity to complete their course and receive their diplomas. Let us do so this year.

### HISTORICAL.

W. Jennings Demorest, a wealthy Prohibitionist of New York, became impressed with the idea that it would be an excellent thing if the children and young people of the country could, in some way, become interested in the temperance question and better informed in regard to it and its bearings upon the affairs of the nation. After mature deliberations concerning a suitable method of accomplishing this result, the Demorest Medal Contests were inaugurated. On May 9th, 1886, the first contest was held in New York, in Bedford street M. E. church.

serve Christ. 3,191 contests mean in the aggregate 25,000 young people who have committed and recited before audiences ranging from 50 to 5,000, selections giving the best thought of our pronounced thinkers. At least 75,000 people in our State have sat under this wonderful teaching and preaching. This is an influence which augments and increases in a wonderful ratio. These young people are or will be housekeepers, leaders of church, society and State. The heaven must leave the whole lump.



DIAMOND.

In the summer of 1887, Mr. and Mrs. Demorest visited the Pacific coast and introduced the work there. In the summer following, the contests were adopted among the "Bands of Hope" in London and Glasgow, and in November, 1889, but two and a half years after the award of the first medal, the work had extended from California to Maine, from Manitoba to Texas, and was flourishing in many parts of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, while missionaries in foreign fields were asking for and receiving the medals for use in Australia, Honolulu, South Africa, China, Norway, Burmah and elsewhere.

The work increased so rapidly, that to save labor at the general office, State Superintendents were appointed to fill all orders for supplies, answer all inquiries and keep the record of their own states.

### DEMOREST MEMORIAL.

After Mr. and Mrs. Demorest had both passed away to their reward, the National W. C. T. U. took the Demorest medals and books and the Demorest Bureau was discontinued, and Mrs. A. E. Carmen, of Chicago, became National and World's Superintendent of the work, and established the Demorest Memorial day, June 10th, in memory of the founder of this system for temperance and prohibition education, which will prove a monument more lasting than any built of marble or granite.

### INDIANA.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union endorsed the work and recommended that states appoint their superintendents, subject to Mr. Demorest's acceptance, October, 1887, at their annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn. The Indiana W. C. T. U., at its Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting in December following, appointed the present incumbent to fill this place. October, 1890, at the annual convention in Terre Haute, Mrs. Balch reported contests in every county of the State. Contests have been well received in all the large and many of the smaller cities of the State. The schools to some extent have given them recognition. Conventions, summer assemblies, camp meetings and the fairs have found the contests available and attractive. If the history of this work and its effects on those engaged in it could be carefully written out, it would convince the most critical skeptic that it is uplifting morally, spiritually and intellectually. There comes into the lives of the contestants a healthy ambition, a generous emulation, if the manager of the contest has the Christ spirit and teaches class and audience, "in honor to prefer one another." It is a schooling where they give and get; it lays the foundation of a structure that will shine in eternity. To many impoverished lives (and there are many such) it comes as a great event—a hopeful opportunity.

Diplomas have been awarded to Carl Rutter, of Terre Haute, at LaFayette, October, 1898, and to James C. Gipe, Indianapolis, October, 1899. The occasions were our State Conventions. These young men in accepting their diplomas made brief addresses, much to their credit and of promise to our cause—for if people can be judged by their words they will be for all time the champions of the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

Donors.	Donations.
Dr. Wirt, Frankfort.....	\$10.00, 1890
Salem Union.....	5 00, 1891
Mrs. A. L. Hammond.....	5 00, 1891
" Olive Bayless, Frankfort.....	5 00, 1892
" Harriet Stehel, Mulberry.....	.50, 1892
" C. H. Ehrman, Frankfort.....	1 00, 1892
" Nancy Frazee, Frankfort.....	1 00, 1893
" J. R. Nichols, Indianapolis.....	8 00, 1892
A Friend, Marion.....	1 00, 1893
J. H. Mallon, Francisville.....	1 00, 1893
W. C. Haymond, Francisville.....	1 00, 1893
Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.....	1 00, 1893
Mrs. Mary E. Sims, Indianapolis.....	1 00, 1893
" McClintoe, Indianapolis.....	1 00, 1893
Dr. Dalzell, Reynolds.....	2 00, 1893
M. L. Strickland, New Marion.....	1 00, 1893
Mr. Thornbaugh, Garfield.....	1 00, 1893
Mrs. Frances Boyer, Frankfort.....	1 00, 1893
Same.....	4 00, 1898

Never was money donated where larger returns were received. The State Superintendent will always hold these persons in grateful remembrance.

The World's W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, June 20-23, 1900. Arrangements have been made for our American women and their friends to sail from New York on June 6, on the Royal Belgian mail steamship Noordland, of the Red Star Line. From western points and return the fare will be about one-half the regular price for those going in the party June 6. The ocean fare from New York to Edinburgh and return from Antwerp to New York will be one hundred and forty-two dollars and fifty cents for round trip. Those wishing to sail earlier or later than June 6, will be accommodated. The return tickets will be good for one year. For details of trip and plans for side trips, see *Union Signal* of March 1 and 8. For further information write to Mrs. Minnie B. Horning, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

### CONTESTS—FANCY DRILLS AND MARCHES.

To make variety at our contests, I can furnish chairmen of contests a small pamphlet with several drills and marches for 10 cents. Address, State Superintendent, 711 E. 11th st., Indianapolis, Ind.



## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CORNER.

I love to speak and write of the Loyal Temperance Legion members as the Girls and Boys, instead of the boys and girls—with the dignity of capital letters, and the Legion being a branch of a woman's society—girls first.

The Loyal Temperance Legion has three divisions or grades.

## THE SENIORS.

Those of twelve years and upward belong to the Seniors and they are the advance guard of the L. T. L. They have their distinctive national motto "The Future is Ours," and Indiana Seniors have chosen "We Work to Win."

They have their Senior Pledge Cards and Senior Badges. Volume 1 of the Lesson Manual is for the Seniors to study and upon which they may receive diplomas by passing a written examination, answering not less than 75 per cent of the questions correctly and being a pledged member. While studying for diplomas they may at the same time be reading for a seal.

Mrs. Rice, in Senior L. T. L. page of *Union Signal*, gives the number of graduates of the different states and credits Indiana with 67. I am sorry she did not know the exact number, which is 214. We started in 1891 with four graduates, one of whom is Fred. Carter, Secretary of the State Legion; in 1892 we had eight; 1893, twenty-seven; 1894, sixty-two and nine seals; 1895, forty-six; 1896, eight; 1897, forty six; 1898, nineteen; 1899, not any, but 160 reported as "studying for diplomas." These and others who have since begun should be faithfully held to the work to the finish. To be an L. T. L. graduate means a great deal to the Girls and Boys and to the future of the W.C.T.U. Upon the women of the W. C. T. U. rests the responsibility of leading our young people in obtaining the knowledge and training required to become a graduate.

Where no leader can be found to take charge of a large Legion, Wisconsin is advising the "ten plan," which aims to secure the promise of several women each to invite to her home and instruct a class of ten legioners who desire to study for diplomas.

Whenever practicable the Seniors should be organized independently, adopting the constitution for Seniors (see Senior L. T. L. Leaflet) or the Seniors and Juniors may be organized as one Legion, divided into Senior classes with Lesson Manual Volume I to study and into Junior classes with Volume II.

## THE JUNIOR GRADE

Is composed of girls and boys under 12 years of age and should study Volume II, using the numbers in the following order, Nos. 4, 3, 1, 2, and upon passing satisfactory examination on it, receive the Pink Oval Seal attached to the Junior certificate. The supplies mentioned in this article, and any other L. T. L. supplies, can be ordered of me. KATHRIN T. A. STRAW, General Secretary L. T. L. Branch.

## MARCHING SONG OF THE L. T. L.

Tune—Marching Through Georgia.  
By Mrs. Elizabeth Tipton Stanley, of Liberty, Ind.

1. We're a band of soldiers brave,  
Enlisted for the fight.  
We proudly wear a temperance badge,  
We know our cause is right.  
The Lord will be our helper  
And will put the foe to flight,  
And time will give us the victory.

## CHORUS.

Hurrah! Hurrah! our faith is firm and strong!  
Hurrah! Hurrah! we'll overcome the wrong!  
Our aim is Prohibition and the end will not be long,  
For God will give us the victory.

2. We'll never use tobacco vile,  
Nor take God's name in vain.  
King Alcohol must fold his tent  
And hasten to the main.  
Our homes must be protected  
From all dens of vice and pain,  
And time will give us the victory.
3. Then join the Prohibition ranks  
And march against the foe.  
Fling out a spotless banner,  
Cry, "King Alcohol must go!"  
And force the business to retreat,  
Taking with it crime and woe,  
And God will give us the victory.
4. Ho! every loyal temperance man  
Who prays for righteous laws,  
Just try a Prohibition vote  
For home protection cause,  
And then will all the dram-shops go  
With no defiant pause,  
For God will give us the victory.

Dear L. T. L.'s everywhere, but most especially those of our own beloved State, because you are now, for one whole year, under the protection of my earnest care for the promotion of one glorious cause—the Flower Mission.

First, let me thank the Executive Committee for giving me a work to do that I love so well and I hope to report a satisfactorily performed duty and pleasure.

Now, I would like to ask our L. T. L.'s how many of them have heard the old story of the clock? The face may tell the hours of the day as it passes away forever, but it could tell nothing if there were no little wheels back of it to give it something to tell. Now, dear comrades, I am going on with my own flower work and I want you all to do your share, too, and then tell me about it so I will have something to tell. We all like to hear good reports, but back of that and through it all is the comforting

thought of what it all means. You must all remember that it does not mean flowers alone. These are grand when you get them; when they are scarce they will be prized the more. Little dinners, social visits and comforting messages to the sick are always in the line of the Flower Mission Work.

Out-grown clothing has brought joy into many a less fortunate home. Very many persons put into rag sacks cast-off clothing that is still really quite good and would lift a portion of the load from some sad life if only we would "think, and think properly."

I would like to have the names of Flower Mission Superintendents from every L. T. L. in the State. Will you please send them to me? LIZZIE Z. HOLLOWAY,  
State Superintendent of Flower Mission of the L. T. L.

## CIGARETTES CONDEMNED.

The Supreme Court of Tennessee declared the law forbidding the sale or giving away of cigarettes in that State constitutional, and said, in part, as follows:

"We think cigarettes are not legitimate articles of commerce, because they are wholly noxious and deleterious to health. Their use is always harmful; never beneficial. They possess no virtue, but are inherently bad, and bad only. They find no true commendation or merit or usefulness in any sphere. On the contrary, they are widely condemned as pernicious altogether. Beyond question their every tendency is toward the impairment of physical health and mental vigor."

## YOUR REPRESENTATIVE.

Now is the time to urge those men who desire to go to the State Legislature, to pledge their constituents that, if elected, they will vote for and use their influence to have a prohibitory cigarette law passed.

## FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE TO HELP.

At the next National Convention, our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics will give two gold medals. One to the state reporting the greatest number of boys pledged against tobacco. This will include boys in the Loyal Temperance Legion, Anti-Cigarette League, Sunday school, and boys not connected with any organization. The coupon attached to the pledge card must be returned. Price of pledge cards, 35 cents per 100. Also a gold medal to the State Superintendent sending in the greatest number of press clippings giving notice of death and insanity, or any injury, done by the cigarette.

Every White Ribboner can secure signatures to the pledge. Send postage stamps and get some cards; or, better still, get your Union to send for a few hundred cards. Send to our National Superintendent of Anti-Narcotic Department, Mrs. E. B. Ingalls, 4119 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Mo. Then let us each one save the clippings asked for. Every newspaper reader, including the boys and girls, can help. Get the exchanges from newspaper offices. Send all clippings to our State Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics, Miss Zella Miller, Martinsville, Ind. This will help the cause by securing testimony needed and may bring an honor medal to our loved Indiana.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple.

## FROM MRS. B. M. PARKER, SUPERINTENDENT AT THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

We are glad for the opportunity of speaking to you again through the MESSAGE. Since our last letter we have been quite busy helping our girls in their contest and school work; then came Christmas with many bundles and packages to be opened and prepared for them. The Columbus Union kindly remembered us with home-made candies, oranges and dolls, which were enjoyed by all. On January 3d our dear sister from Westland Union, Mrs. Lydia A. Binford, came to us with willing hands to aid in our sewing room, donating to us more than two weeks of her time and strength, working from early morning until bedtime. In all we (or she) made and worked at over twenty-five garments. We, like the disciples of Joppa, were sorry when she went away. We do feel that the Lord is so good to us. He keeps every one in perfect health and we have so many sisters who are interested in us.

On the 28th we received from the benevolent hands of the Coal Bluff Mining Co., of Terre Haute, a car load of coal, which we are now enjoying on this zero morning. We know they will be richly rewarded. In November we were the happy recipients of a nice large soft coal burner from Elkhart Union, Mrs. Tomkins, President; and in December one from North Manchester Union, Mrs. Hesse, President. Our school is progressing nicely under the care of Miss Myrtle Davis.

The possibilities of "mother earth" are great.

The agriculturist must plan the coming campaign and be ready to improve the early opening of opportunities. This is what the managers of Hadley Home are striving to do. They are expecting to make the farm yield all that is possible, but they recognize the fact that they are dependent on the sunshine and showers, supplemented by pure seed, and the vigorous use of the hoe and plow. Our girls are regular little heroines in their battles with weeds. Our farm begins to look like somebody lived on it, but it is certainly true that a farm of 110 acres of land, tended by one man and several little girls, will not yield sufficient income to feed and educate a family of thirty children. If it were possible to do this, the price of land would be higher than it is now. So you are advised there is necessity for supplemental support, which our organization must provide in some way.

Let us be inspired by the example of the brave heroes of South Africa, who give everything, even life itself, in defense of their homes and liberty.

What is the matter of a few cents, when put in the scales against the rescue of innocent childhood? If you could but see the change which comes to the dear girls, after coming under the influence of our Christian home, you would feel fully repaid for all your sacrifice in helping to maintain it. LUCRETIA HOBART.

## INDIANA'S OPPORTUNITY.

From mother National and our sister States Indiana has received praise and honor it would seem almost beyond her deserts. But her golden opportunity has now doubtless come to her to deserve all the praise she will receive. To go into unorganized territory and make the conditions such as to hold a successful institute session and organize a Union requires such persistence and self-sacrifice as comes only of "a faith which takes no denial." Tact, courtesy, common sense and consecration must all enter into the solution of the problem of how to do it with stick-to-ativeness to the close. But with all these appliances and the plan thoughtfully and prayerfully worked out in detail, one could almost afford to insure the desired result.

It has been a delight to watch the tactful engineering of County Presidents in untrodden fields. Some of these have been baffled and disappointed at almost every turn in the beginning, but never discouraged nor defeated. Not a Wellington or Alexander or a Dewey has planned for more certain victory and none of these for a conquest so noble or a goal so unimpeachable.

Indiana's Missionary Institute Campaign has opened as heroically and as breezily as the February and March winds which her workers must face until they are ushered into budding April and laughing May. Then let the good work go on—

With never a thought for the toil that it costs,  
While we garner the gold and cancel the dross.

In the perfect days of June we shall recount our victories and rejoice in our new possessions. Our dear County Presidents, who must of necessity lead in this great work, will know for themselves and not for another the deep significance of the results which have been attained.

## INSTITUTES

Are being held in new territory this year. A one-idea person can not make them succeed. County Presidents can. They go with plans and substitutes and other plans. They go with plans galore.

Mesdames Holler, Shelt and Pierce will assist in Institutes in territory convenient to their homes. Later Mrs. Tompkins, Miss Newlin, and maybe Miss Sears, will co operate in the work. See February MESSAGE for leaders in the different sections and send filled programs to them accordingly.

Do not confuse the subjects, which are as follows: "Women and the Temperance Reform," by Mrs. Hattie Brand; "Equality in Citizenship," by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins; "War and Twentieth Century Civilization," by Miss Mell Newlin; "Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools," by Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson; "Five Boys in Knee Pants," by Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson; "The Economics of the Liquor Traffic," by Miss Mary Hadley; "Scientific Temperance in the Public Schools," by Miss Mary Hadley; "The Purpose and Methods of the W. C. T. U.—What Has It Accomplished?" by Miss Mary Hadley.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

For lack of space the editor regrets not to be able to publish beautiful poems by Mrs. A. P. Daub, of Goshen and Mrs. Kate Gregory, of Lafayette.

Treasurers' report blanks were sent out March 1. If any Treasurer has failed to receive her blanks, please let me know immediately, that others may be sent. AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

Have "Mothers Bow of Ribbon White," sung by a gentleman at your Institute and gospel temperance meeting. Sheet music 30 cents per copy of our State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis. Use White Ribbon Hymal or Fillmore's song books in gospel temperance meetings. Sing temperance sentiments.

Peru Union recently held an all day meeting at the home of President Mrs. Kilmer. Sixty-four members were present. The ministers and other honorary members were present. A most excellent dinner was served. An interesting program was rendered in the afternoon. All present were enthusiastic and the sweet spirit of unity among the churches was gratifying to see. The White Ribboners of Peru are doing much good work.

Dearborn County Unions have appointed efficient Superintendents of Sabbath Observance. Miss Mattie Bennett for Dillsboro, and Mrs. Anna Robertson for Guilford. The atmosphere surrounding Moore's Hill College does not savor strongly of Sabbath desecration.

Knox County Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, Miss Dee Polk, with the co-operation of some of the business men of Oaktown, have succeeded in getting stores and business houses closed on Sunday in that place, the first time in years.

Eunice P. Wilson Union, of Upland, is alive to every known interest. Through the persistent efforts of the Union a curfew law has been passed, and we are truly proud that we have so many loyal workers. February 14th the Union observed Frances Willard's Memorial day with a very fitting program.



**Marion** Union is greatly agitated over the unclean "shows." Committees have been sent to these shows. Oh, that every mother in every town would investigate the scenes presented behind the footlights. Our Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson preached twice in Marion on a recent Sabbath, in the morning in the Christian church and evening in the Presbyterian church.

**North Manchester** Union rejoices over the encouragement received by the work of Mrs. M. A. Tompkins in a parlor meeting and Sunday services, all of which were well attended. The quarterly department meeting held by the Union was a success and aroused an interest in the departments which were presented, viz., Evangelistic, Sabbath School and Mothers' Meetings.

**Morocco** Union fills a column in the local paper each week. Presented the public school with a framed picture of Miss Willard, and keeps the wall pocket at the railroad station filled with literature.

**Burlington** Union held a silver medal contest which was a success. The class was composed of six girls, five of whom were members of the first-year high school class, and one was a seventh grade pupil. The medal was awarded to Rebecca Patton. The orchestra furnished several selections, besides solos, duets and songs. The receipts of the evening were about \$10, besides the vast amount of good that may have been done. Burlington Union, with Mrs. J. O. Engleman as President, will no doubt accomplish much good this year.

**Centre** Union, in Marion county, held its February meeting at the home of a member. Mrs. A. T. Whitson, our State Treasurer (once a member) being present, a pleasant surprise was planned by the members and others, going in at the dinner hour with well filled baskets. After partaking of the bounties of a well filled table, all assembled to listen to a short program by the members and hear report of National Convention given by Mrs. Whitson. She also exhibited an advertisement bill of Crusade day in Ohio, all exceedingly interesting. We highly appreciated the presence of the brothers who met with us. Much more could have been said, but the lateness of the hour warned us to adjourn, dispersing with our baskets lighter than when we came.

The South Bend Willard Memorial Y issued 5,000 copies of an eight-page paper in the educational and financial interest of the Union. The editor was Miss Agnes Butts; associate editor, Miss Myrtle Huey. The business men liberally assisted by advertising and the interested citizens have purchased the papers at five cents per copy. Great good has no doubt been accomplished and about \$100 will be put into the Y treasury. When young people take hold, as they always do, with enthusiasm and energy, victory is sure to come. The MESSAGE extends hearty congratulations to these young journalists.

Miss Emma W. Moore, of Kokomo, writes: After reading the article by the General Secretary of L. T. L. work in the last MESSAGE, I thought perhaps the W. C. T. U. women of the State might be interested in learning of Kokomo's L. T. L. Our Mayor says through his wife, "That it is the best organization for good and doing the best work of any in the city." We have an enrollment of 119; pledged, 90, with an average attendance of 70. They formerly met in a hall until it was desired for other purposes, then, without a home, the city officials gave permission to meet in the police court room, where hangs the roll of honor and pledge as a lesson for the transgressors who unwillingly frequent the room.

**Valparaiso** Union secured ten new members last fall, which entitled it to a free lecture. The good work went on until there are now seventeen new members since Sept. 1. Mrs. F. H. Frink secured twelve of these as a result of the inspiration received at the State Convention. On Thanksgiving Day the Union gave a public dinner to the city's poor, which was well attended. Religious services were held and much good accomplished. Each year the collection taken at the Thanksgiving services is turned over to the W. C. T. U. for distribution. This year it amounted to \$20. Occasional meetings are held with the unfortunate poor at the county asylum, which seem to be much appreciated. The anti-Roberts mass meeting was a decided success, as also was our crusade anniversary meeting. Election of county officers took place here in December. Mrs. J. E. Hall, one of our local members, was elected President. Last month we held a meeting in the M. E. Church, which was well attended. The pastor preached a sermon on "Sabbath Observance," which was well received, and the Union was given a collection of \$7.52, of which \$2 was sent to the Hadley Home.

Mrs. M. L. Hobbs writes: I have been thinking of sending items from our county, but it appears so little good I had to send and do not like to send any other. Our county is largely German, but a few in the western part are trying to maintain our cause. Our members are scattered and with the cold and bad roads, we do not see much of each other during this season. But we are working with our might and I am planning largely for next spring. We are pushing the medal work and have organized one L. T. L. and planning for two or three more in the spring, also expect to get Mrs. Squires and little Emma soon as the mud settles. I am not well this winter and can't get out; have to do what I can with my pen. I am raising a club for the MESSAGE and will send it soon. We have had much sickness and some deaths among our members. We will raise our membership tax for the

Hadley School and with God's help we are doing all we can. Do hope the Convention next fall will not be so far north that I can't get any of our women to go.

**Montpelier** Union recently had a visit from Mrs. S. M. Stahl, the County President, and Mrs. Anna Lee, of Hartford City. At a parlor meeting held at the home of Mrs. Dr. Wilt, there were 28 ladies present. Mrs. Stahl's address was inspiring and convincing. Five new members were secured. Elegant refreshments were served by the hostess, who was told that her provision for the physical nature was only equalled by that furnished the spiritual nature by Mrs. Stahl. The public meeting in the M. E. Church in the evening was a great success. Solos were rendered by Miss Anna Goodin and Mrs. Scott. The beautiful address of Mrs. Lee, in which she described her recent trip to the National W. C. T. U. Convention at Seattle, was greatly enjoyed by the attentive audience. Mrs. Lee is an able speaker.

**Frankfort** Union held a most successful parlor social at the elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Thrasher. The residence had been most beautifully and tastefully decorated for the occasion and was well filled by a large and intelligent company. A splendid program, consisting of music, recitations and graphophone selections, was rendered and greatly enjoyed. The superintendents of the Union also gave interesting talks in presenting the work of their departments. Delicious refreshments were served and a pleasant social time was enjoyed. Several new members were added to the Union, with the promise of more. This Union is holding a membership contest and the social was planned by the three captains for the purpose of facilitating the work of securing members and interesting outsiders in our work.

**Washington** Union is on the increase. In the early winter Mrs. L. M. Beck spent the Sabbath there and gave three lectures. Her work was very helpful. At a recent parlor meeting three new members were gained and a free-will offering taken for the work. In February a parlor social was held at Mrs. Palmer's, for which special invitations were issued. The guests represented all the different churches of the city, except two, and among the best families of the city. The program (for such a W. C. T. U. gathering is not complete without mental souvenirs) consisted of papers and selections on "Temperance in a Mental, Moral and Physical Sense." Interpersed with excellent music, refreshments were served and a delightful hour was spent.

**Michigan City** Union held a measuring social recently that was well attended and proved a very enjoyable affair.

The invitations which were sent out read as follows:

A Measuring Party will be given you  
By the ladies of the W. C. T. U.  
It's something novel and will be quite a treat,  
And there'll be plenty of fun and good things to eat.  
The invitation is in the sack,  
For use in sending, and bringing back,  
Three cents for each foot that you are tall,  
A part of the proceeds to go to the "Hadley Hall."  
An extra cent for each inch give,  
And thereby show how high you live,  
And if perchance you can't attend,  
By some dear friend your sack please send.

One gentleman returned his sack with \$1.50—twenty-five cents for each member of his family. The receipts were \$18.50. The value of such enthusiasm and friendliness must be estimated in influences set in motion.

**Delaware** County, Selma, had the first Institute of 1900, Mrs. Cammack Gibson in charge. A Union of 17 members and 5 honoraries was the result.

**Bourbon** has the law of Indiana relating to the teaching of the effects of alcohol and narcotics in our schools printed in readable type and good form. This will be put up in every school building in the township, including the new musical college. These wise sisters expect to take a hand in electing the school board and work for the election of men pledged to enforce the Scientific Temperance Law. Every county or Union in the State could do equally well.

**Walnut Ridge** Union reports itself ready for active service for the year.

**Indianapolis** Central Union, at its last regular meeting March 1st, received three new members; one of the three was a Y. The evening of March 1st Baby Squier gave an entertainment under the auspices of this Union in Indianapolis and all who heard her were delighted. The new Blanket Report Blanks were quite an event in the Union. They at once named March 9th for the special meeting to fill these blanks.

Five hundred letters were sent out by our State President, Mrs. McWhirter, asking educators and friends to have letters and telegrams sent from teachers, ministers and other voters to Congressman Chas. B. Landis, who was our Indiana representative on the committee to investigate the charges against the Mormon Roberts, praying him to use his influence and vote for the home against polygamy. Also that letters be sent to other members of Congress from our State urging them to stand by the home in voting to expel Mr. Roberts from the House of Representatives. The aroused public sentiment of the people of the country brought the victory.

**The Wabash** Josephine Nichols Union having voted to invite Mrs. Conklin, gave all the work of planning and arranging for the meetings into the hands of Dr. Jessup Smith, our local Superintendent of purity work. (Dr. Smith is known throughout the State as our very efficient Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic

Medication.) The Doctor's plan was to have thirty women take ten tickets each, for which they must receive ten cents each, thus giving us thirty dollars to start with. These tickets admitted to first lecture, all subsequent lectures to be free. Mrs. Conklin's terms were twenty-five dollars for three days, two meetings a day. Sometimes the plans of women, like the plans of "mice and men, will gang alee." Our prospective thirty dollars dwindled to about fifteen, but our collections were good, and if we count the dues from our thirty new members we more than paid expenses. Had it not been for the severe weather our gains, both in members and money, would doubtless have been doubled. We rejoiced that we were able to pin our badges on so many good women. Some of them we had long coveted for our work. These, however, are not the measures of the good done. Thought was awakened and impressions made that with some will prove lasting as life. We were glad to be able to keep Mrs. Conklin another three days. She is bright, witty and eloquent. She is good medicine for any weak, sickly Union.

While writing I feel constrained to add a word concerning the Townsend (colored) Union of Wabash. Since the Seattle convention they have more than doubled their membership. Among the additions are six or eight honoraries. Mothers' meetings, L. T. L. work, flower mission and literature are the departments in which they are the most interested. Last night they gave a reception to their new members at the home of Mrs. Olivia Brown.

The writer was one of four of the Nichols Union honored with invitations. Miss Maggie Brown, daughter of our hostess, presided at the piano. Songs and short talks occupied an hour's time, after which cream and cake was served. During the evening two or three new members were added to the union. If I am not mistaken, there are but two women in the church that are not in the union. The Nichols Union has gained over fifty members since the convention. We expect to have our gain of one hundred in Wabash County.

Dear comrades who read this, shall we not all unite in more active work, that our State shall not lose ground during the period of rest which her physicians have imposed on our dear President? If we keep our glorious State right in the van, we will doubtless do more than the doctors in restoring her to health. Let us plan wisely and execute promptly.

HARRIET F. KIDD.

#### QUARTERLY REPORTS.

The Blanket Report blanks for the quarter ending March 15, 1900, have been sent to the Corresponding Secretary of each local Union. These will be sent on the first day of December, March, June and September.

The Union will hold a meeting before the fifteenth of these months, at which the general officers and local superintendents must be present, and every other member of the Union ought to be there.

Local superintendents will fill these blanks in the presence of the meeting and mail without delay—having come to the meeting with the stamped envelopes for that purpose.

The different department coupon blanks must not, under any circumstances, be detached until at this meeting.

Work having been done in a department not having a superintendent—the Corresponding Secretary will fill the blank at this meeting and state there is no local, and mail to the State Superintendent. Each department Superintendent must write a duplicate of her report and send to her County Superintendent; if there is no County Superintendent, send to the County Corresponding Secretary.

The Union must see the importance of following these instructions minutely.

When questions should be answered by figures, do not answer by giving "a little," "some," "a good many," and the like. If you are not positive, put down a small estimate. Any remarks or work not covered by the questions, write on a separate piece of paper and make full entry into the record book that each local superintendent absolutely needs to have.

The Medal and Normal Institute departments do not appear on this blank, as they are reported otherwise. The one from the several institutes on blanks provided by the State Superintendent, and the other by the certificate blank sent out with the medals.

This plan was decided upon as a means for getting fuller reports of the great work done by the Local Superintendents, some of whom have failed to recognize the importance of reporting all work done, many times counting their work of too little importance to report. Work is also done by Unions along several department lines that do not have a Superintendent. All this work reported will stimulate others to action. Let each Local Union President and Secretary arrange for a meeting where these report blanks will be filled, that the importance of this splendid plan will be considered and carried out promptly.

We need honorary members. If you want your union work to be a success, work for honoraries.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

At her home in West Lebanon, Feb. 11, the beautiful spirit of Mrs. A. S. Fleming went home. She was sympathetic, trustful, tactful and faithful. Openhanded to help every reform, only the last day will reveal all her benevolences. Her going leaves but one living representative in this place with dues paid up and wearing the white ribbon. She was our County Local President for many years. A crusader and always striving for the best, she had much to contend with at home and abroad.



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The Mid-Year Executive meeting was held in North Vernon, April 3d and 4th. The attendance of County Presidents was large. The oratorical contest on the first evening was well attended. The medal was awarded to Mrs. Ella B. Wright, President of Decatur county.

On the second evening Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., President of the W. C. T. U. of that State and one of our National Secretaries, delivered a very able address to a large and appreciative audience. Subject, "Does it Pay?" It was indeed a rare privilege for us to have Mrs. Beauchamp present the principles for which we stand in such an interesting, logical and forceful manner to the people of North Vernon.

We were glad to hold our Mid-Year Meeting in North Vernon, because of our great desire to push organization in the southern part of the State. The North Vernon Union, composed of eight members, increased its membership and we hope as a further result of the meeting they will be able to rally to their support the christian women of North Vernon.

## MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOTES

The invitation to hold the Annual Convention at Frankfort was accepted.

The L. T. L. State Convention invited to meet with the State Convention of the W. C. T. U.

Saturday night of the Convention will be Y night and part of their program will be a diamond medal contest under the direction of the State Superintendent.

Miss Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Normal Institutes, reported 19 unions organized during the Institutes held in March. Total regular members added, 315; total honoraries, 68. Subscriptions to MESSAGE, 157; *Union Signals*, 33 *Young Crusader*, 4; *New Crusader*, 2.

Mrs. Mary Bonney, formerly of Marion, was elected to fill vacancy on the Hadley Industrial School Board.

## CAREFUL ATTENTION—BLANKET REPORT BLANKS.

The committee, with few exceptions, regard the blanks favorably. It was decided to send two blanks to each Union, to save the Local Superintendent copying the report to send to County Superintendent. It is not the purpose of these blanks to ignore County Superintendents, and no one should so understand them. There are Unions that do not have the helpful influence of county organizations. There are other Unions—many of them, too, in our best organized counties—that carry departments which are not duplicated in the county. To insure uniformity and correct reporting, the Local Superintendent reports directly to the State and to the County Superintendent, when she has one. This does not in any way debar the County Superintendent from the most free and full correspondence with her State Superintendent, but it does insure that every Local Union will be heard from. It was the sense of the committee that the Union should only mail reports. Having no Superintendent and no work done in a department, the blank should not be forwarded.

The presence of Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, the loved President of Kentucky, and Assistant Recording Secretary of the National W. C. T. U., was inspiring and helpful. Her short address upon the work was appreciated by the Executive, as was her splendid lecture in the evening.

An appropriation of \$25.00 was asked for the L. T. L. Branch. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson generously gave \$25.00 of her annual appropriation as a State Officer, for that purpose.

In an address to the Executive, Mrs. McWhirter recommended that a permanent endowment for the Indiana W. C. T. U. be secured, the income from which should be used for organizing purposes. The recommendation was approved.

## W. C. T. U. EXHIBIT AT PARIS EXPOSITION.

Early in January, our National Corresponding Secretary wrote to Indiana, saying her proportion for supporting the W. C. T. U. exhibit at Paris would be forty dollars. That amount for such purpose was not in our treasury and the State Secretary sent out personal letters, asking persons to give or collect a dollar and send in, and the list of donors published in the MESSAGE and *Phalanx*, which would be their receipt. List of donors to date: A. T. Whitson, Indianapolis; M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; M. P. Bugbee, South Bend; Frances Boyer, Frankfort; Gulie Shugart, Jonesboro; J. W. Ridgeway, LaPorte; L. F. McWhirter, Indianapolis; M. E. Balch, Indianapolis; Sadie Eves, North Vernon; M. A. Omo, Harlan; Harriet Steckel; Mulberry; E. D. Hardy, Goodland; Ellen Rogers, Pendleton; Mrs. Cammack Gibson, Jonesboro—each one dollar. R. C. Travis, Elkhart; May Moser, Logoootee—each fifty cents. M. A. Moody, Indianapolis; J. R. Wood, Indianapolis—each thirty cents. Eaton, Greensburg, Crawfordsville, LaPorte and Indianapolis Frances Willard Union, each one dollar; Wells and Jay County, each one dollar; Jane T. Doan and several ladies at Plainfield, seventy-five cents. Total, \$24.35. This does not cover any amounts sent direct to Mrs. Whitson. Read on. Many things have conspired to induce the World's W. C. T. U. officers to abandon an exhibit at the Paris Exposition, among the heavy duties which prevent the sale of temperance drinks, the great expense of a Kiosk—far beyond that which was anticipated—and the South African War, as stated by Miss Slack in her recent letter to the *Union Signal*. It is desirable, however, that the literature and money contributed at the request of the National W. C. T. U. and Mrs. Guild, remain where it is for the present. It is barely possible that the National may be able to secure again the space in Sociological Department of the United States exhibit, which it relinquished when the World's W. C. T. U. decided to erect a pavilion of its own. If this is not now possible, there is still ahead of us the International Temperance Congress in London in June, also the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo next year, both of which desire W. C. T. U. exhibits. Therefore we trust that nothing sent in for the Paris exhibition will be recalled at the present time.—*Union Signal*.  
March 15, 1900. MARY E. BALCH.

## MARION COUNTY.

Spring Convention was held March 28 and 29 at the United Presbyterian Church, Arsenal Avenue, in Indianapolis. This closed a busy half year's work. Although the weather was very unfavorable the attendance was fine. Throughout the entire convention a deep spiritual atmosphere prevailed; the devotional services at the beginning of each session, at the noon-tide hour and praise service the last hour of the convention, were times of great refreshing and of wonderful spiritual power.

Reports from County Officers and Superintendents and from Local Presidents told of work carefully planned and energetically executed. Each Union has been busy with its own special work. The County Officers have been tireless in their efforts for the success of the county. Superintendents have studied and pushed their departments with greater zeal than ever before.

At a joint meeting of the County Executive Committee and County Superintendents in January, it was recommended by the latter and adopted by the Executive, that a series of not less than twenty-five Gospel Temperance meetings be held in the churches in various parts of the city during the quarter. Not quite this number had been held up to the time of the Convention, but others are to be held in the near future, which will complete the list. A great deal of our literature was distributed at the meetings. Not only White Ribboners, but pastors and lay members, participated in the exercises. The leading subjects brought out by these meetings were the growing use of the cigarette, especially by boys, the serving of intoxi-

cants in the punch bowl at social gatherings, and the handling of liquors by grocers. On the program of the County Convention one hour was assigned for the presentation of these topics, under the head of "Liquor in the Home." After a discussion of the subject the following resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That we, the women of the Marion County W. C. T. U., will carefully endeavor to learn what grocers do and what grocers do not, in any way, handle either cigarettes or liquors of any kind; that we will give our patronage only to those who do not, and that we will use our influence in our churches, in other organizations and in every way possible to induce others to do the same.

"We recommend that each Union appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to secure a list of the names of grocers not handling liquor or cigarettes and report them to the members and friends of their Unions.

"That we will, in every way possible, discourage the name and use of the punch bowl at social gatherings or elsewhere. We ask, also, that a request from this convention be sent to our National Officers, asking that, in the columns of our National organ, the *Union Signal*, a campaign be opened against the punch bowl, and that some name and method be presented, by which harmless fruit juices may be served, without the suspicion that intoxicants are being used."

The financial condition of the county was very satisfactory. The obligation pledged at the State convention for Hadley Industrial School had been met and Unions were responding liberally to the request for funds for the running expenses of the School. The only plan for increasing the funds of the treasury, outside of county dues, was from collections at gospel temperance meetings and from a lecture given under the auspices of the county by Dr. Rebecca Rogers George, upon "The Profession of Motherhood." These two sources added materially to the county funds.

A committee appointed early in the year by the County Executive Committee to revise the Constitution and By-Laws so as to meet the needs of our county, reported and after some slight changes made by the convention the report was accepted and the Constitution and By-Laws adopted.

Through the efforts of the State Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, her own Union had furnished the *School Physiology Journal* to the teachers of the city schools. Unions of the county furnish notices of their meetings to the daily papers. A department for Marion County has been maintained in the *Phalanx* for the past three months, averaging two and a half columns per week. Besides W. C. T. U. news, letters and reports of County Superintendents have been published in these columns and sent to each Union in the county.

M. E. SIMS,  
Press Reporter.

A generous friend of the W. C. T. U. sent to Mrs. McWhirter a letter containing a bank check for \$500 for the Hadley Industrial School. We are requested to say that this gift is from a friend. It would rejoice our hearts to tell the name.

Noble County Institute was held at Avilla. The Unions of the county were well represented. Much interest was manifested by the people of the community. The subjects were ably presented and the discussions interesting. Proportionate Giving, by Mrs. Gorrel; L. T. L. Branch, Mrs. Halferty; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Murray, and Organization by Mrs. Simons, indicated intelligent enthusiasm. The presence and helpfulness of the ministers was encouraging. The oratorical contest was a great success; the medal was awarded to Miss Cappa Krurs. Another contest will be held soon. The increased attendance on the second day indicated increased interest. The addresses of Rev. Murry of Albion, and Rev. Pearce of LaPorte, were much appreciated. The evening lecture was delivered by Mrs. Rose Pearce to a large and very attentive audience. As a result of the Institute a Union was organized.

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## FRANCHISE.

Is the influence of women in the world to be expected henceforth in a direct way or only indirectly, as has been the case heretofore? Have women power to expect a straightforward influence?

The leaders of thought among women have ever held that women had power enough, such as it was; the trouble, if any, laying in the lack of united effort. Margaret Fuller said, "Woman need only to be a good worker or a good scold to secure her influence." Demosthenes once declared that "measures which the statesman has meditated a whole year may be overturned in a day by a woman." Napoleon Bonaparte used to say to his diplomatic agents, "Look to the women."

It is the claim of one of Fredrika Bremer's heroines that a woman can obtain anything she likes of a man by always having something nice to pop into his mouth. But is it in this way that the women who have most nobly influenced the world around them have gone to work? When Madame de Stael faced Napoleon; when Harriet Martineau was besought by an English Lord Chancellor to write her book on Political Economy; when Florence Nightingale saved the British army in the Crimea; when Elizabeth Fry revolutionized the English prisons, and Dorothy Dix the American prisons, they did not accomplish their work by sugar candy or by pretty little attitudes. They paid the other sex the compliment of taking life in earnest, and the result was victory. They went straight forward, and they prevailed. It is the women of direct heroism, after all, who play a noble part in history. If they only do that, all other things may be added to their victory.

The ballot for women, the full franchise in four States of the Union, settled by popular vote, is a sign of the times and a milestone of human tendency. This fact is of the profoundest importance; and its greatest interest is in its involving, as has been said, the whole question of direct or indirect power. All the changes of law in regard to women during the last half century have led up to the same question; even the enlargement of school and business opportunities have blazed the way to the complete enfranchisement of women.

I am anxious that the Superintendents of Franchise, both County and Local, shall be encouraged to proceed with great energy in the three distinct lines of work set forth in this year's suffrage plan:

1. To secure the enrollment of many names, both of men and women.
2. To hold contests or a crazy T, or some entertainment by which they may help defray the next year's legislative expenses.
3. To use the press in every county and town in Indiana.

I will furnish suffrage articles to every woman who will act as Press Reporter or Superintendent of Press Work for Suffrage, that will write me that she would so do.

Dear County and Local Superintendents, let me urge you to press forward in these three lines of work. I will give prizes to the four women that have done the best and most work in each of these three lines of work. What twelve or which twelve women will do the best and most work?

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

I have been pleased with the response of the superintendents to my letter in January MESSAGE, yet I am sure I have not heard from a fourth of them. A card to-day says, "I want to be in touch with my State Superintendent." I am so glad to get such cards. I want to be in touch with every superintendent of mothers' meetings, and then if we are all in touch with God, what a host we will be for Him, and what a blessing to the motherhood of our land. Let us be much in prayer for our work, so we may have access both to the throne of God and the hearts of the mothers. One sister says, "What is your plan of work?" I have written twice to National Superintendent for instructions, asked many questions, but no answer. All the plan I have at present is a superintendent for every county and one for every local. Supply yourselves with good literature, hold meetings, agitate, educate. Don't always depend on the W. C. T. U. day for your meeting. Go into unorganized neighborhoods. Ask some good mother to let you have a mothers' meeting, for her to invite her neighbors; you send special invitations to young mothers, and you will have an audience. Take the Bible for your text-book, the Holy Spirit for your guide and you will have a sympathetic audience. Make your meetings very informal, let everybody feel free. Be prepared to give a talk, or have a prepared paper on some phase of child culture or responsibility of motherhood. Ask some lady to read a leaflet or a selection from "The New Crusade." Discussion of topics relating to duty of parents and children. Occasionally have "Parents' Meetings." In these meetings child culture should be studied, in order that fathers as well as mothers may become interested in correct home training. Every father should be reminded that God says He will "visit the iniquity of the father upon the children to the third and fourth generations of them that hate Me, but showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments." (Deut 5-9-10.) Love is the test of our loyalty. Jesus says, "If ye love me ye will keep my commandments." Knowledge is power, and to be an intelligent worker we must have literature. "The New Crusade," by Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, Ann Arbor, Mich., one dollar per year, coming to us fresh every month, is an inspiration no superintendent can well afford to be without. "Forcible Facts," "Clean Hands," "Rights of Offspring," from Vanguard, 2335 Randolph street, St. Louis, Mo. "Christian Life," National Purity Association, 84 Fifth avenue, Chicago.

Dear Superintendents, let me urge you to keep a faithful record of all work done, if only a few pages of literature distributed, a meeting or Bible reading.

The blanket reports are out. Let us "gather up the fragments, that nothing be lost." Be prompt with reports. I gladly answer all letters or cards.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

MRS. S. M. STAHL,  
State Superintendent.

## A GRATEFUL SUPERINTENDENT.

I am anxious to tell all my sister State Superintendents how much I have appreciated the help of a few and how I know we can aid one another and be blest.

Just recently by the aid of two of our Superintendents I've been able to add three more names of Superintendents to my department of "Foreign Work." A rather difficult department, as the English prevails, and I in turn was so pleased to appoint a Superintendent for them in my county.

If any State Superintendent can aid me by using some of my literature, do let me know and I'll send you free of cost some samples in any language you desire and let me know if I can help you.

MRS. ANNA KILMER,  
State Superintendent.

## LITERATURE.

In making out my plan of work for the Department of Temperance Literature, I failed to mention the *Young Crusader*. This is one of our official organs and it is just as important to push the subscriptions for it as for the others. Formation is better than reformation! Will you not help me, dear sisters, to make amends for the omission by trying to get it in every W. C. T. U. home and as many other homes as possible? Report the subscriptions for *Young Crusader* along with MESSAGE and *Union Signal*.

MRS. ETTA AYRES,  
State Superintendent.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HEREDITY AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

This department, this year, must be pushed vigorously. Let each Superintendent do her best and let each County Superintendent see that each Local Union in her county has a Superintendent, and send her name to me at once, that I may send her instructions.

The National Superintendent of Physical Culture will, at the next National Convention, present two names:

1. To the state making the largest gain in the number of County and Local Superintendents.

2. To the state holding the largest number of special meetings, in the interest of physical education and the most literature used in the work. These two items combined.

Let us see to it that Indiana gets this honor and thus give added glory to her already bright W. C. T. U. work.

Each W and Y should order one dozen copies of the Exercise for Busy Women, costing forty cents per dozen. These sell at 5 cents per single copy.

Each Superintendent should interest county teachers' Institutes, county, state and town medical societies, asking that a paper be presented on this subject. Send to me for literature.

MISS CLARA AGNES BOYD,  
State Superintendent.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

The fourth district Y Conference was held at Christian Alliance Church, Indianapolis, March 17th. Miss Sears took charge and opened the meeting with a Bible Reading, followed by a prayer by Mr. James Gipe, of Indianapolis. Miss Jennie Edwards, President Monrovia Y, was selected Conference Secretary. Committee to entertain resolutions: Misses Duncan, Greenfield; Clark, Monrovia, and Potter, Indianapolis.

Each paper deserved special mention. The beautiful thoughts, the helpful words, will revive the social and department work of loved organization. After lunch the Conference adjourned to the Century Club room at Denison Hotel, where we were more comfortable. After Scripture Reading, Susie McWhirter delighted the audience with a recitation. Mrs. Gipe's address on Purity was uplifting and the girls can't help but be better for having heard her, also Mrs. McWhirter's talk on Anti-Narcotics—how the girls should have a higher standard. The Conference was favored in having the State W. C. T. U. President, the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, also County President on the program. If space would permit, special mention ought to be made and points brought ought that were so helpful. Vote of thanks was extended for the use of the Church, also Club Room at Denison Hotel and to the State officers and W. C. T. U. friends who made it possible for such a meeting.

Attention, girls! Please send to me by the 28th of each month the bright things, the success of the new socials you try, the progress in membership, etc. Do you know we are to have a half-column in the MESSAGE each month? We must fill it and make it attractive. Double your membership by June 15th, put forth greater effort for the work, live for it, plan for it, give to it, and God will bless and reward you for your faithfulness. Pray each noon for the work and workers of the world.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION—THE INFANT GRADE.

In this grade are to be enrolled children from their birth to six years of age, when they will come into the Junior Grade. The mothers of these little ones are not to be asked to obligate themselves in any way, but only to pay an annual enrolling fee of ten cents. Of this fee, six cents is to be retained in the local treasury, as a special fund to be used in the purchase of enrolling cards and of literature for distribution or circulation among these mothers of the infant members; four cents is to be forwarded to the State L. T. L. Secretary, two cents of which she will send to the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer, and two cents to the National Treasurer, as L. T. L. membership dues.

All literature helpful to mothers should be distributed among them, such as that bearing upon purity, non-alcoholic medication, healthful food and dress, home sanitation, effects of alcohol and tobacco upon body and mind. The badge for the enrolled infant is a bow of blue ribbon.

It is evident, according to the article in our last MESSAGE on Baby Circles, that Indiana for once is not in the van. The Infant Grade was adopted at St.



Paul National. It is a part of the L. T. L. work and I can see no legitimate excuse that any Union can have for failing to adopt the Infant Grade of the L. T. L., even if it neglects to take up the Junior and Senior grades.

Miss Lottie Benner, Argos, Ind., has been appointed Treasurer of the State Legion in place of Ina Boyer, resigned. Only graduates' dues should be sent to her. Graduates only can join the State Legion, but are not members unless they pay annually twenty-five cents; of this fifteen cents remains in the State Legion treasury, five cents goes to State and five cents to National W. C. T. U. treasury. Leaders should send the L. T. L. dues, ten cents per member, to the general Secretary, Mrs. Katherine T. A. Shaw, North Manchester, Ind.

#### OUR L. T. L. CHAIN.

The Loyal Temperance Legion chain is a petition asking for signatures. It is the creation of the Wabash County, Indiana branch of the W. C. T. U. It is timely and therefore we print it in full:

Our earth undoubtedly would be a Garden of Eden, if only the flowers might bloom and no noxious weeds be permitted to sink their roots deep into the soil of the heart to weaken the life of the flowers entrusted to their care.

We thank the dear loving Father that all over this beautiful land there is a growing determination to stir the soil and kill the weeds, leaving for them no time to grow and gain strength, and that the youth of our country is more persistently being trained from the very cradle to fully understand the blessed promise, "the pure in heart shall see God."

Therefore, as a living monument to the memory of our dearly beloved Chieftain, who has gone on before, and in honor of all pure womanhood, we ask in the name of our blessed Lord and Master, the positive prohibition of all pictures of womankind on tobacco in any form, and on tobacco boxes, cases or other intemperate or narcotic receptacles. M. A. HOLLOWAY, Lincolnville, Ind.

#### INSTITUTES.

**Howard County** Institute, with Miss Mary Hadley as leader, was held in Greentown, March 23 and 24. We had a helpful and instructive two days with a well arranged and well carried out program. The only sad feature of the semi-annual meeting was the funeral of one of the local members, Mrs. Laura Evans, on the morning of the 24th. The County Union women were greatly pleased with Miss Hadley and her work. Several new members were added to the local Union and a Y branch, including among its members the pastor of the M. E. church and his wife, was organized. The splendid work of the Institute indicated much consecrated information among the White Ribboners of Howard County.

**Fulton County** Institute was held at Akron. The meetings were fairly well attended considering the bad weather, and were very interesting. Members from other points in the county were present and excellent papers were read. The County Convention was held on Saturday morning, and reports showed that the Fulton county sisters were very much alive to the needs of the hour. On Friday evening a contest was held, and on Saturday Mrs. Brand lectured to a large audience.

**Union County** Institute was held in Liberty and was a very profitable meeting. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a fair attendance. Much interest was manifested. The oratorical contest Monday evening was very interesting and entertaining, and reflects great credit on Mrs. Dr. Phares and those who took part. Miss Mable Phares was awarded the medal. Quite a number were present from a distance.

**LaPorte County** Institute was held in Michigan City. The attendance was small, probably owing to sickness and the conditions of the streets, which were almost impassable.

The ladies were pleased with the quiet, gentle manners of their leader, Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis, who presided.

The State program was carried out so far as the number present would permit. Excellent papers were read, and the discussions that followed were spirited and helpful.

A silver medal contest was held, which added much to the interest of the work as it was the first one ever held in Michigan City. Miss Maud Staiger won the medal. The eight contestants are eager for another. The convention decided to hold another in the

near future and turn the proceeds over to the county treasury. It was suggested that the other unions in the county do likewise. The Institute was profitable to all who attended.

**Newton County** Institute was held at Goodland. Notwithstanding the weather of March 5th and 6th was about the worst of the season, the meeting showed interest and enthusiasm. On Monday night a class of six girls contested for a silver medal, which was awarded to Bessie Perkins.

At the close of this meeting there was accession to our regular membership, also honorary and Y's. Tuesday's meeting was interesting and instructive. In the evening Mrs. Holler presented an exercise on Sabbath Observance, Miss Hadley on Physiology and Hygiene, etc., illustrated by chart showing the condition of the different parts of the system and the effect of alcohol upon them. This was well received. The M. E. minister spoke on the subject "Can the Church Banish the Saloon?" and the Baptist minister on "Why is There so Small a Per cent of Young Men in the Churches?" At a meeting at the home of Mrs. Hardy, a Y was organized with 13 members. You will hear from them later and more fully.

**Morgan County** Institute was held at Morgantown, March 21 and 22, with Mrs. Cammack Gibson as leader. The inconvenient location was not conducive to a large attendance from the other Unions of the county, but Morgantown people turned out in large numbers to all the sessions, which were intensely interesting and instructive throughout. The three churches entertained the Institute in turn, and excellent music was furnished for all the sessions by the young people of the different denominations. All the ministers were present, took the lead on three of the most important subjects and took part in nearly all the discussions. Several names were added to the W and seven names presented for a Y. A large and appreciative audience greeted the Matrons of the Matrons' Oratorical Contest class. Mrs. Blankenship, of Martinsville, was awarded the medal. The proceeds of the contest at ten cents admission was \$15.30. Mrs. Gibson closed the sessions with an interesting and instructive address on Thursday night.

**White County** Institute was held at Reynolds, March 8. Owing to a misunderstanding and the condition of the roads the convention was not as much of a success as had been hoped for.

A short session was held in the afternoon at the home of Dr. Delzel and a meeting in the evening at the M. E. Church.

A fairly good crowd was out to hear Miss Hadley and Mrs. Holler discuss two of the most important questions of the day, "Sabbath Observance" and "The Cruel Effects of Intemperance and Cigarette Smoking."

Both ladies had charts with them. Miss Hadley made it quite interesting for the children, as you could see by their bright faces and ready response to the questions which she put to them.

Mrs. Horner, County President, resigned and her resignation was accepted with regrets. Mrs. Bonar, of Wolcott, was elected to fill the unexpired term.

**Franklin County** Institute was held in the picturesque little city of Laurel. Rain, sickness and various discouragements hindered the preparations desired. Mrs. Gibson visited the high school at eleven o'clock on Wednesday; the principal kindly gave time for her chart talk on Scientific Temperance, which the children enjoyed very much. At two o'clock the Institute opened, after interesting discussions on the Value of the Printed Page, L. T. L. Work, Y Branch Department Plan, Sabbath Observance, Drills in Methods, How to Increase Membership, etc. In the evening Mrs. Gibson's address on The Modern Parable was listened to with rapt attention. At four o'clock the school children came to the church to listen to Mrs. Cammack conclude her talk on Scientific Temperance, which was interesting and instructive. Organized a Union with seven members. Seed was sown which we hope will reap a harvest by and by. Many people were interested in the presentation of the W. C. T. U. work.

**Montgomery County** county did not have an Institute, but sent the workers to different adjacent towns. Crawfordsville, New Market and Ladoga were visited. Miss Hadley spoke to a good sized audience in the Baptist church at Crawfordsville. Immediately after the meeting Miss Hadley and her assistant, Mrs. Holler, took the train for New Market, where they spoke in the evening, returning to Crawfordsville the

next day, where they took the first train for Ladoga. There an afternoon and evening meeting were held. A strong Union was organized, which started out right and made each member a subscriber to the state paper, the MESSAGE. Mrs. Minnie McKnight deserves much credit for the good planning in Montgomery County.

**Clinton County's** Institute, under the management of the County President, Mrs. Emma Saylor, was very successful. The sessions were held at Farmer's Chapel, near Frankfort, and were well attended, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Seven new members were secured and Farmer's Chapel Union made its subscription to the MESSAGE equal to the membership.

**Decatur County** Institute was held at St. Paul, with a large number present. The County President, Mrs. Dr. Wright, presided, assisted by Mrs. Cammack Gibson. Devotions led by Mrs. Reibolt of St. Paul. Much interest was manifested in all the proceedings. The delegates were pleasantly entertained by St. Paul ladies. Mrs. Thompson, of Greensburg, spoke on "Prayer Answered" and also paid a beautiful tribute to Hadley Industrial School. Mrs. Gibson talked to us along the line of department work and showed that not by might, nor by power, but by the grace of God, we succeed. A discussion on "Non-Alcoholic Medication" was led by Mrs. Dr. Wright. A Parliamentary drill by Mrs. Gibson was very instructive. "Can the Church Banish the Saloon?" was discussed by the Rev. Hunt, of St. Omer, Rev. Reibolt of St. Paul and others. Nine new members were added to the St. Paul Union. A medal contest was enjoyed by an audience of more than three hundred people. An L. T. L. was organized with twenty-three members as the gratifying result of a children's meeting led by Mrs. Gibson.

**DeKalb County** Institute opened on Friday, March 23d, in the Christian church, of Corunna. The unions of Butler, Waterloo and Auburn were represented. The day sessions were well attended and the discussions entered into with much spirit. Mrs. Mary Ehlers, of Auburn, spoke beautifully on "Organization," as she did also on "Civil Government." The medal contest was a grand success; this was held on Friday evening and drew a crowded house. The medal was awarded to Miss Bertha Thomas, of Corunna. On Saturday a union of nine Ws and eight Ys was organized. The women of Corunna have taken up the work with an earnestness seldom seen, and we predict for the Corunna Union great prosperity. On Saturday evening a lecture was given in the Christian church by Mrs. Hattie Brand. The friends and workers of the W. C. T. U. are greatly indebted to Rev. E. E. Campbell for the many ways in which he helped to make the Institute a success. We understand that Rev. Campbell shortly removes to Millersburg, Ind. We extend our best wishes for his success in his new charge.

**Whitley County** Institute was held at Coesse. The majority of the people of Coesse were entirely ignorant of our work and previous to the Institute were very indifferent to it. The interest grew from the first meeting and at the closing meeting, when Mrs. Brand gave an earnest address, the house was crowded. The people were glad to get the literature, of which the good sisters of Whitley supplied a large quantity, and asked many questions about our organization. We were much helped by Dr. Ogle, who gave a splendid talk on "Non-Alcoholic Medication," and also by Rev. Mr. Homer, pastor of the M. E. Church, who was present at most of our sessions and gave an earnest talk on "Does the Prosperity of the Church Demand that Temperance Work Shall Have a Prominent Place in Church Activities?" Mrs. Mina Squires, the efficient President of Whitley County, will follow up the work begun at the Institute, and we trust will shortly be able to organize at Coesse.

**Carroll County** Institute was held at Burlington. Pleasant weather prevailed and there were good audiences. Everything was well done and all Unions in the county were represented. Our County President arranged for Prof. Engleman to talk on "Narcotics," which was much appreciated. The "Clergymen's Hour," in which two ministers took part, was much enjoyed. There were very spirited talks, which gave new life to the convention. The contest was good, the contestants being high school pupils. The orchestra played the class march as the contestants came in. In the afternoon the schools closed at recess so teachers and pupils could attend the Institute. The



last evening the house was packed, and when Mrs. Voorhees, County President, made the plea for membership, sixteen young ladies came forward to the platform to have the white ribbon pinned on. How our hearts were rejoiced when we saw these enthusiastic young women thus pledging themselves to the uplifting of the race! Before leaving Burlington a Y branch with seventeen members was organized. The W membership was also nearly doubled. Burlington Union, Camden Union and Flora Union each made the subscriptions to the MESSAGE equal to the membership. Thus the county is solid for the State paper.

**Tippecanoe County** Institute was held at Battle Ground and was a success; most cordial was the hospitality. Through the efforts of Rev. H. S. White and wife, much interest was aroused. On Monday afternoon the pupils of the schools and their teachers were in attendance to hear Mrs. Holler's illustrated Sabbath Observance address. The next day the High School young people and a number of gentlemen came to hear the address on purity delivered by our State lecturer on that subject, Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, of Lafayette, who is also President of Tippecanoe. The finances of the Institute were all arranged beforehand, so the good collections put money into the county treasury. Mrs. Curtis has since, by invitation of the Official Board, held a series of Purity meetings at Battle Ground.

**Fulton County** Institute was held at Akron. The meetings were fairly well attended, considering the bad weather, and were very interesting. Members from other points of the county were present and excellent papers were read. The County Convention was held on Saturday morning and reports show that the Fulton County sisters were very much alive to the needs of the hour. On Friday evening a contest was held and on Saturday Mrs. Bland lectured to a large audience.

**Steuben County** Institute was a real success. The sessions were held in the M. E. Church, of Hamilton, and opened on March 26th. Large audiences were present at each session and the discussions were well handled by both our brothers and sisters. On Monday evening an entertainment was given by the school children under the direction of Miss Fannie Beecher, which was most enjoyable. On Tuesday night Mrs. Brand gave an address which was—as usual—highly spoken of by all present. A strong union, with a Y branch, was organized, the women entering into the work with a zeal and earnestness not often seen. Steuben county has not a single saloon. May God speed the day when every county in our loved State shall be freed from this parent of every kind of crime—the licensed saloon.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Receipts—Alton, \$2.63; Loogootee, \$5.00; Hoagland, \$2.34; Sedalia, \$2.50; Jefferson, \$2.00; Rossville, \$1.00; Shoals, 60c; Bloomington, \$9.00; Valparaiso, \$5.00; Muncie, \$1.60; Harlan, \$1.20; Louisa Larimer, \$1.00; Willard, Marion County, \$5.00; Tarlton, \$1.40; Mrs. Hann (century pledge), 50c; Edwardsport, \$4.00; Fountain City, \$1.60; Fortville, 81c; Washington, Daviess County, \$1.10. Total, \$48.28.

Received for Laundry—Bloomington, \$10.00; Lebanon, \$5.00; Central, Marion County, \$2.00; Northeast, \$2.00; Tarlton, 1.50; Frankfort, \$5.00; Hannah Graves, \$5.00. Total, \$30.50.

Expended—Mrs. Parker, \$20.00; Stella Green, \$15.00; Myrtle Davis, \$15.00; Colbert Griffin, \$15.00; Mrs. Parker (emergency fund), \$25.00; M. A. Conner, groceries, \$32.66; Carter Brothers, stationery, \$6.00; Ratti, electrotype, 60c. Total, \$128.

#### FIELD NOTES.

**Wabash Union** is pushing the work. Mrs. Conklin was here a week; she lectured on purity. She held three Mothers' Meetings, one meeting for girls. Sunday afternoon meeting for men, subject "White Cross Work," and an address Sunday morning to our colored union. Mrs. Conklin has done a grand work for us.

**Broad Ripple W. C. T. U.** feels proud and wishes to announce that by hard work a Curfew Law has been secured and that it will be put in force by the first of April. Much has been accomplished, but there is still more for us to do. A Mothers' meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Cruse, March 21st, which was very helpful.

**Burlington** enjoyed an address on Sabbath Observance, by Mrs. Katie West Holler, which was illustrated with charts. The orchestra furnished several selections and we were favored with two solos. At the close of the service Mrs. Holler pinned the white ribbon on 16 young girls, giving us a Y branch. The white ribbon was also pinned on 3 W's, one an honorary. We were much pleased with Mrs. Holler and hope we can have her again.

**Bloomington Union** gave a measuring party, proceeds for the Hadley Home, which netted \$46.00. Prof. Woodburn, of L. W., donated also \$5.00. Now with the \$25.00 Mrs. Beck herself pledged at our State Convention, is a good part for Bloomington, yet don't think we shall stop there—far from it. One of our faithful workers is planning to canvass for aid for the Industrial School. We often meet with discouragements, even in our own Union; one sister remarked "let the state run it, it's a state institution," as though we are not a part of the State. May God give us more consecrated workers, is my prayer.

**Mapleton Union** held its sixth anniversary at the home of Mrs. Whitson, our State Treasurer. The house was well filled, despite the mud and rain. A paper was read by Rev. Risley on George Washington. A talk was given by the Rev. Brown on the life of Frances Willard. The history of our Union, by Mrs. McClintock. Short talks were also given by Rev. Elliott, Rev. Benninghoff, Prof. McWhirter and Mrs. Balch. The house was tastefully decorated with palms and carnations. The color of the refreshments were pink and white. The programs were unique and beautiful, and we believe that much sentiment was created in our favor.

**The Goshen Y** sends dues for thirty-three members. Last quarter dues were paid for fourteen members. Mrs. A. Z. Vail, County Treasurer, writes: "The Goshen Y is the pride of our county."

Mrs. Catherine Warren, of Tipton, writes: "Five saloons have been closed here the past four months and others will follow." Good!

**An L. T. L.** was organized in the Hadley Industrial School by Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

**Bourbon** saloons were closed by enforcing the law, the result of continual agitation on temperance lines by the W. C. T. U. which created this prohibitory sentiment. Good citizens unitedly said these saloons must go. When the citizens of the other towns in our State consider the saloons of more harm to their homes than any other institution they will cease giving sanction to a license system.

**Bedford** at its last Mothers' Meeting had thirty-five present.

Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond, State Evangelist, is now in Texas, and will be there until the last of May. Please write her at Lawrence, Texas, care of Mrs. Minnie Keitland.

**Franklin County Fair Board** is under promise to fit up a W. C. T. U. rest parlor during time of fair.

#### QUARTERLY REPORT FOR MESSAGE FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

The amount of money expended includes the compensation allowed the business manager, but the editor has refused to accept hers. Having sufficient stationary and newspaper wrappers for the next three months, the expenses will be somewhat less. The February supplement was necessary to give to our readers the matter sent in. It cost quite half the price of our usual edition, extra. We decided that the space in our paper was more to the cause than the money would be that we would receive for advertisements, hence we have none. If subscribers who do not get their paper, will drop a card at the time, we can see that they do get it. Only a few complaints have come; there should be none. We mean to do our best to have every subscriber get their paper. Every thing indicates that the paper is growing in favor with the women and the outlook is very hopeful indeed, for that good time when the subscription list will equal the membership. With but few exceptions the new Unions are doing this, and the number of old ones who put it in practice are increasing. Number of letters written, 167; number of cards, 137; number of new subscribers to the MESSAGE, 527; number of renewals, 385. These figures do not include the free copies sent as premiums. Number of subscriptions to *Union Signal*, not including the premium copies sent to Unions, 145; number to *Phalanx*,

12; number to *Young Crusader*, 21. Total amount of receipts, \$342.79; total amount of expenses, \$286.66; balance in treasury, \$56.13. MARY E. BALCH, Business Manager.

**White County** Institute, held at Reynolds, had advertised only evening meetings and the day meeting, at which there was a representation from Wolcott, Chalmers and Monon. The workers made house to house visits and organized a Union of twenty members. This number includes six honoraries.

**Miami County's** energetic President decided to try to organize a Union at Denver, the place appointed for the holding of the County Institute. Accordingly a splendid Union, consisting of some of the best women of Denver, was organized weeks before the time scheduled for the Institute. This Union cordially welcomed the Institute and extended most generous hospitality to the delegates and State workers. The Institute was in charge of Miss Hadley, State and National Superintendent of the Department of Institutes. The program was very interesting and instructive. The subjects were ably presented and the discussions were participated in by representative men and women. Great stress was laid by the County President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, upon the need of thorough organization. Miss Dunlap, of Peru, urged definite work among the children in the L. T. L. A paper by Mrs. Duckwall, of Bunker Hill, upon Increasing the Membership was read by Miss Shepherd, which made lasting impressions. Non-Alcoholic Medication, by Dr. Ward, of Peru, was both interesting and instructive. This paper ought to be heard in every county. The President of Denver Union spoke very encouragingly about the work already accomplished by the Union, especially in regard to defeating applicants for liquor license. On the first evening a well filled house greeted seven youthful contestants for the first silver medal contest held in Denver. The entertainment was good and the audience manifested deep interest throughout. The program for the second evening was mostly in charge of the ministers and greatly appreciated by the very large audience. Rev. Jesse Dunn and Rev. Baker spoke upon "How Can the Church Banish the Saloon?" These brothers in a forceful, energetic manner presented the duties of the Church. Miss Hadley followed in a beautiful address on Evils of Intemperance and Our Methods of Combating it. Increased interest and enthusiasm was manifested during the closing hours of the Institute. Many names were added to the membership list.

**Monroe County** Convention was held at Bloomington. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was present. We found her a very ardent W. C. T. U. woman and a good talker. We elected for the remainder of the year, Mrs. Beck, President; Mrs. Paul, Vice-President; Mrs. Dodds, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Kitson, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Gerhart, Treasurer. Like the little boy who was interested in a mission, because he had a nickle invested, we are very much interested in our Hadley Industrial School. We have a good many dollars invested there, besides the interest we have in the good work. Our Bloomington Union gave a measuring party a short time ago, which was very profitable and enjoyable.

Let us hear often of the success of Hadley Home. Among the other things we are trying to do, we find our plan of jail work to be very successful. We have a superintendent who sends a postal to a sub-superintendent from each church the week before her church is expected to hold the service on the next Sunday. In this way the burden is shared by the different churches and helps our superintendent. Glad to hear of success in our great and noble work.

MRS. T. J. CLARK, President.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Mary Rogers Alexander, a loved and honored member of Bedford W. C. T. U., was called home, March 11, after a short illness. She had been a true, earnest worker in the W. C. T. U. since the early days of its organization. She faithfully filled nearly every office, from County President down, in the various departments of our temperance and rescue work. She was our Corresponding Secretary at the time she received the message, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the glory prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Our union on earth is broken, but one more tie is added to the union in heaven, where the little white bow will be exchanged for the white robe and palms of victory. By order

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE W. C. T. U., Bedford, Ind.

The temperance workers of Richmond and especially the Frances E. Willard Union, have suffered what would seem an irreparable loss in the death of John C. Patterson an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. and a faithful worker in every line of temperance effort.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Indiana's press work has increased tenfold in the last two years and is still on the up-grade.

Nineteen States reported 30,000 columns furnished the press last year.

If the press of a nation takes up a reform, it makes the progress of ten years in one.

Many of our best temperance workers testify that they were first attracted to the cause through the influence of something read.

Our National President, Mrs. Stevens, was the first National Press Superintendent. We are pleased that we can present an article from her, written especially for this issue of the MESSAGE.

Indiana was awarded the Silver Star last year for the greatest increase in press work and for the greatest amount of work done in proportion to the number of her workers. Save your clippings. Other States are adopting this plan. We must not originate this plan in Indiana and then let some other State excel us.

The W. C. T. U. has the reputation of being the best advertised society in the world. Two-thirds of the newspapers in the United States take items and articles from the W. C. T. U.

The Outlook says: "The dailies, weeklies and monthlies of our country wield a wider influence than the pulpit and perhaps even than the schools, for the press is a school we all attend every day in the week from the time we learn to read to the end of our lives."

The press is one of the most potent and far-reaching influences in the world. Everything printed must reach some audience, must give some lives their tone for good or evil.

In regard to subject-matter, the press worker should consider the need and demand of the particular paper to which an article is to be sent.

Indiana's 776 feet of clippings pasted on muslin in column form and sent to the last National convention would have made our department famous for six months' work even if we had not won the Star. This plan has been recommended by the National Superintendent to all the States this year. The idea originated in the fertile brain of our beloved State President, Mrs. McWhirter. She is especially interested in the work of this department and does all she can to help it along.

The press is the advertising department of the W. C. T. U., and it has been demonstrated over and over that advertising pays—not in gold and silver, but in increased courage and activity among the members, as well as in the aroused interest and sympathy of those who were once apathetic or even opposed to the W. C. T. U. because of ignorance of its plans and methods and of what it has already accomplished.

An editor desires above all things that his paper be read and read with pleasure. His constant aim is to supply the demand of his patrons. He should not, therefore, be judged too severely if he sometimes prefers prize fights to equal suffrage or spicy details from the divorce court to temperance and purity, as subject-matter. It is not all his fault and we should be thankful for any favors shown us.

"The press of to-day is the greatest material power in the universe. When our Indiana women fully realize this fact, we shall have made a long stride toward victory. In every village, town and city, as a rule, there is published a newspaper. These papers go into almost every home in our State and would gladly carry with them items in regard to our work. In no other way can we so effectually spread the news of the gospel of temperance and purity, as through the newspapers. MRS. L. F. McWHIRTER."

Many good people, even ministers, condemn the W. C. T. U. because, they say, it does more talking than anything else. You say, "these persons ought to know better." That is true, but are you and I, as individuals, or as Unions, doing all that we can to educate these people and make them know better? Remember that the world outside is judging our organization, not by what it does, but only by what it knows of it, and its interest is in proportion to its knowledge.

Through some mistake, the most important question of the Press Department was left off the blanket report blanks. It is: "How many columns of W. C. T. U. matter furnished the press?" Unless this question is fully answered, we cannot hope to win the prize this year. The question, "How many W. C. T. U. columns maintained?" does not refer to the whole number of columns, but means, "How many papers set aside regular space for the use of the W. C. T. U.?" In giving the number of papers supplied with W. C. T. U. items, tell how many are daily and how many weekly. If the same office publishes a daily and a weekly, they count as two papers. If the same item or article is published in two or more papers, it counts as two or more items or articles. Clip from your

local or county papers everything about the W. C. T. U., whether you write it yourself or not.

Some one has written of the Press Superintendent: "God bless her in her work—as responsible as any in the whole field. Who more than she must know thoroughly the inner workings of each department?" Yes, but how is she to know the inner workings of any department, even of her own, if she does not take and read our papers? It is a sad fact, brought out by the answers to questions on the report blanks, that fully half the Press Superintendents do not take the MESSAGE and a less number take the Union Signal. This state of affairs needs a remedy. The press worker cannot do her best work without the help that these papers alone can give. The National Superintendent suggests that each Union be urged to present to its Press Superintendent annual subscriptions to Union Signal and State paper. The necessary funds might be raised by holding a "Press" parlor meeting or social, using her outline program and taking a collection. Try it. Local Presidents are urged to see that every Press Superintendent receives at least a copy of this issue of the MESSAGE for her very own. Will you do it?

## FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

I have always been interested in the Press Department of the W. C. T. U. I distinctly recall the painstaking efforts to secure places in the papers in the early days of our society, and I remember how prompt we were in reporting favors shown us by the press, so greatly did we value them. To-day it is somewhat changed. The meaning of the letters W. C. T. U. is well understood, and reports of our meetings and our doings are sought for as interesting news.

It is true that not all papers print freely communications that deal directly and favorably with our basic principles of total abstinence and prohibition, but so far as my observation extends, I think the majority of the papers are what we may well call friendly.

Our women do not fully realize the power of the press and sometimes fail to be thankful enough for the distribution of our ideas through this great avenue of public thought. Oftentimes in one issue of a secular paper, there is as much temperance matter as would cost a great many dollars at literature prices. We are dependent, to some extent, upon the newspapers and they in turn are dependent upon us for news of our work. Let us give it to them and give it promptly, while it is news and in the best possible form. I do not believe there is in existence a society, the work of which is so little "advertised" in proportion to what it does, as are the doings and the victories of the W. C. T. U. Let us aim to utilize the great power of the press and so give to the public more of what is good and pure and holy. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.



MRS. MINNIE BARKER HORNING,  
Press Superintendent of the National W. C. T. U.

## THE IDEAL PRESS SUPERINTENDENT.

It is well to have an ideal. The higher one aims, the higher the mark that is hit. The ideal in this case may be hard to attain, but in the attempt for attainment the real will be improved. I have in my mind's eye the ideal Press Superintendent, although I have never met her. She probably does not exist, for there are none perfect in this world.

In the first place, she is a woman of education and

tact and a ready writer. By education I mean she writes a legible hand, spells her words correctly and uses good, plain Anglo-Saxon words, without unnecessary adornment. She is tactful, yet persistent, knowing when to desist urging a point that she cannot carry at that juncture, and understands closing an interview in such a way that she may return to the attack at a later date. She takes pains to know the newspaper people in a personal way and makes them her friends. She sees that they have the news of the society, and while giving them the news, she tries to work in some of the "uplift" part of our work, hoping that the news will carry it.

She is always present or has a representative at the meetings of the Union. She sees that the notices of coming meetings are in the local papers and reports the meetings to the press. In the preparation of her matter she is, first of all, on time. She does not wait until the news is stale and the march of time has made something else of paramount interest in the public eye. Her report is brief. She wastes neither her own time nor the editor's in reiteration of unimportant details. In being thus brief her articles find their way to the people through the printed page, and are not consigned to oblivion through the medium of the editorial wastebasket.

If she attempts to fill regular space in her local paper, she fills it regularly. Her copy is in early each week, that the editor's mind may be at ease in knowing that that column or half-column will not be left for him to provide for at the last moment. Her column will be bright, attractive and of general interest, and not fanatical and crude. She never finds fault nor criticises the editor if her news fails to appear or is "edited" until little of the original remains. She remembers that the space in a newspaper is worth money, that it is the editor's means of support and that he must use it as he sees fit. He must be his own judge of the value of the news and of the desirability of whatever goes into the columns of his paper.

In short, the ideal Press Superintendent never makes a mistake, never offends an editor and is in all things perfect. This we can never be, but let us "strive for the mark of the high calling," and improve the real by trying to measure up to the ideal.

MINNIE BARKER HORNING.

## PRESS EVENING.

Mrs. Lillie Shields, the Local Press Superintendent at Washington, Daviess County, promised to try to arrange for a "Press" meeting. The following, taken from a personal letter written by her to the State Superintendent, shows how well she kept her promise:

"Our Press meeting went off quite successfully. We held a public meeting in the Masonic Hall and gave it in the form of an entertainment and social. Our postmaster and Mrs. L. M. Beck, of Bloomington, gave the principal addresses, and the recitation was given by a young lady of fine elocutionary ability. Our music was the best that Washington affords. Mr. Cogswell, a noble young man and a Y honorary, beautifully sang "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White" and was so pleased to be asked to do it. We asked the band to play for us, but they were honest enough to say they could not because some of them drank. We hope it will work on their consciences.

"The hall was beautifully decorated and there were three long snow white tables on which to serve the refreshments. Ten young ladies acted as waiters. They wore dainty white tissue paper aprons and caps and a badge across the breast, upon which was printed the names of various temperance papers. The word "Press" was also printed across one corner of the aprons. Pure white paper napkins with "Press" on one corner and W. C. T. U. on the other, were the souvenirs.

"Three sweet little girls, about five years old, were dressed in tissue paper of blue, pink and canary and represented our three city dailies. Our ministers and editors received complimentaries. The city press was very kind and did us many favors, also gave us a nice write-up. The affair took well, and I think gained for our Union."

Michigan City Union also gave a most successful "Press" meeting, an account of which has already appeared in the MESSAGE. Will not other Unions try to arrange for one? Programs may be obtained for a two cent stamp by addressing Mrs. Minnie B. Horning, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

## NEED OF DEFINITE PRESS WORK.

The press is classed as educational, but when used in the temperance reform it becomes evangelistic as well. It carries the good news or sounds the note of warning to all who read. It is indeed good news to every one in this drink cursed world that such a consecrated, dauntless and determined army as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is in the field, whether they will receive it as such or not. The

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MRS. FLORENCE VANCE,

Press Superintendent of Indiana W. C. T. U., through whose efforts our State Press Report last year was the largest in the nation and won for us the National Press Star, shown in the picture.

press is the one great force in touch with the lives of the people, and as Miss Willard says, "There is not in the world another power where we can bring to a focus so much influence for the spread of temperance principles and temperance practice, as the newspapers, because they go everywhere and are read by all people." Why should the devil have so much printers' ink? I believe the reason he has so much is because he can get it and he takes all he can get. Is the reason why white ribbon women do not have more than they do, because they cannot get it? No, that is not the reason. It is because they will not or do not take what they can get. Newspapers everywhere, from the overgrown city daily to the modest country weekly, are opening their columns to our work if we will but avail ourselves of them. We have become a factor in the newspaper world. The work of the W. C. T. U. has become a part of the news of to-day and is welcomed as such by the editors even when they are not wholly in sympathy with us. Shall we not be held responsible if we refuse to avail ourselves of what is so freely offered us?

In the parable the cry was, "The fields are white unto the harvest, but the laborers are few." Where are the reapers? But in our ranks the cry seems to be, "The ground is prepared, there is an abundance of seed, but where are the sowers? We must sow before we reap and 'he which soweth bountifully, shall reap also bountifully.'"

When we learn, as we often do, that many women acknowledge that all they know of white ribbon work is what they read in our special corner of the paper, it is then that the press worker feels her responsibility and realizes what a great work is hers. How often, when a woman is invited to join the Union, she excuses herself by saying, "I'll wait awhile until I know more about it." I have heard this answer more than once. A well-cared for W. C. T. U. column in each of the newspapers of a town would soon spoil the practical utility of this excuse.

To be sure, we can give only glimpses of the work through this channel, for "that dignitary, the editor," lies in wait with a horrid implement called a blue pencil for the unwary press worker who has not learned to condense. But the glimpses, we hope, will create a desire for more.

A man being asked about the W. C. T. U. of his city, replied that he thought there was such an organization, "but," he added, "it is nothing—don't amount to anything." Now, how did he know it did not

amount to anything? He did not know it. He merely thought it did not, because he knew nothing about it. The fact is, that the Union took up press work and was soon known as one of the strongest in the State.

Many people are not specially interested in any movement, no matter how deserving, unless they know it really means something—that its members live up to its principles and are accomplishing something. This class of people need the press department of the W. C. T. U.

It was clearly the leading of Providence that brought me into the W. C. T. U., for when I joined I knew absolutely nothing about it excepting what the name implies. I was always a great reader of newspapers and I am confident that if I had read something of the work, plans and methods of this organization I would have joined long before I did; and I believe there are thousands of other women in the world who are unconsciously waiting for the "word in season" that will cause an "arrest of thought" and ultimately bring them under our banner.

If our women would only work up to their privilege in this branch of the work, they could do more than anything else to disarm prejudice and blunt the points of the shafts of criticism, misrepresentation and cheap wit that is being constantly hurled against us. Many people believe wrong things because they have never heard the right things. Let us tell as many as we can the things they ought to know. There is no way by which we may reach so many as through the columns of the public press. FLORENCE E. VANCE.

## A FRIEND AND BENEFACTOR GONE.

Mr. Robert Carmack died at his home in West Indianapolis, on the evening of April 23. The funeral services were conducted at his home by his pastor on the evening of the 24th, at 7:30 o'clock, and participated in by Mrs. McWhirter, State President of the W. C. T. U. He was buried at his former home in Illinois, beside his beloved wife. We extend our sympathy to the daughters and son thus bereft. Mr. Carmack was in the truest sense a practical christian man, seeking to do God's will in everything. He gave largely to our Hadley Industrial School and was ever interested in the success of the W. C. T. U. His earnest words at our last State Convention in regard to plans for improvements at our Industrial School will be remembered by all who were there. He spent the last Thursday of his life at the Industrial School. The trip down there seemed to cheer and revive him, but his summons came very soon afterward. He is now enjoying the companionship of the redeemed hosts of heaven. Our loss is his gain.

## Y. W. C. T. U. NEWS.

The Warren Y. W. C. T. U. arranged meetings for April 24 to 27, in the interest of their work in that place. A reception on Tuesday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, was very enjoyable, and gave an opportunity for all to become better acquainted in the beginning. The President, Mrs. Clark, the Superintendent, Mrs. Ray, the earnest young men and women—God bless them—they can do a grand work in Warren.

Goshen Y. W. C. T. U., from all reports, is still growing in favor and interest with the young people. What Goshen can do every town and city can do, have a healthy Y. Union.

Miss Ella Coulter, President of Aurora Y., has been called upon to give up her beloved mother, fading away like an Easter lily, which she loved so much. Pray for Miss Ella, that in her sorrow the Saviour may be very near and precious. The wish of the father, sisters and the departed mother, that Miss Ella go to Edinburg, Scotland, will be carried out, and Indiana is proud to have such an earnest faithful Christian young woman as Miss Coulter, to represent us at the World's W. C. T. U. Convention.

At the Semi-Annual Convention of the Hancock County W. C. T. U., the Y's appeared on program in many places. The State Secretary, Clara M. Sears, will be present and spend the Sabbath in Greenfield, May 5 and 6.

Girls, we must increase our membership. Are you personally doing all you can to help another to join our ranks? Are you preparing to pay your dues by June 15, the end of the third quarter? Save and do your best to be prompt in the payment of dues. We must make a gain over last year.

April 30, the young men of the Anderson Y. had charge of the program on "Narcotics." Ask your young men to arrange a program; it is a change and you and they will enjoy it.

Send your material to me for publication in Y. column by the 28th of each month, please, and oblige your co-worker and friend, CLARA M. SEARS, State Y Secretary.

## INSTITUTES.

Benton County Institute was not so well attended at the first meeting on account of the trains being snow bound. The interest and attendance increased from the beginning, however, and the session closed with an enthusiastic mass meeting, addressed by the State workers and others. The membership was doubled, new plans were adopted and Benton County bids fair to be at the head in the pioneer movement of holding local Institutes throughout the county, using local talent.

The State workers, Miss Mary Hadley and Mrs. Katie W. Holler went from Benton County to Newton County and were warmly received by the ladies of Goodland. Nothing daunted, storm and sleet was there, yet the class of contestants was full and entertained a good sized audience. The interest was good throughout the entire session, resulting in accessions to the membership of the W's. A very enthusiastic Y branch was organized, with Mrs. Sarah Mugg as leader.

LaGrange County dates were March 21 and 22, but being unable to make plans for same, the workers spent the time in Wolcottsville in house to house visiting, interviewing the preachers, etc., in the interest of the work. We found a good sentiment in favor of the W. C. T. U., several ladies expressing their desire to become White Ribboners should a Union be organized in their town. The preachers were kind, and we were assured that the churches were at our service should we wish to hold a meeting later. Literature was distributed, and the seed sown. May God water it and cause it to bring forth fruit.

Allen County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at New Haven, April 18 and 19, and as there is no Union there, the arrangements were made by the County President and Rev. Cocking, the local minister, both taking care to plan for the good of all. The State Program for Institutes was followed very closely. Several interesting papers were presented and quite spirited discussions followed by Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. McIntosh, Dr. Banning and others. Miss Hadley, the leader, though wearied by her constant work for several weeks, was ready with helpful suggestions on all the subjects on the program. Although but four in number took part in the contest, it was thought to be a grand success. A little girl eight years old won the medal. Her subject was "Noble, Christian Womanhood." We are sure good seed was sown and in the near future we hope to see good results. The address on the second eve, on "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed," by Miss Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Institutes, was enthusiastically received.

As the White Life Union originated at Valparaiso, we have concluded, owing to the numerous societies already existing, that it is not best to run this as a separate organization, but to introduce the White Life Union pledge into all temperance societies now formed and into any Sunday School or society, or to any individual who will sign the pledge and work for the cause. Our Union has already secured signatures to over a thousand of these pledge cards, and the work is branching out to other States. One enterprising W. C. T. U. in Washington sent \$2 and requested 200 of the cards. The writer secured about 75 members not long ago just in one little talk to a Sunday School. These cards can be secured from the writer and will be sent post-paid to any address at the rate of \$1 per hundred. Mrs. F. H. FRINK, 88 College Ave., Valparaiso.

Mrs. Shontz, of St. Joseph County, writes: "Excellent work is being done in South Bend by Mrs. Johnson, our Jail and Prison Superintendent. Meetings are held in the jail every Sunday morning, each local Union having appointed a Superintendent who assists in this work."

Mrs. S. M. Stahl secured nine new members for Hartford City Union in one week. Besides such work as this for her own Union, she has recently visited Royal Center, Lucerne, Kewana and Poneto, where many new members were secured and the workers greatly encouraged.

Our enthusiastic and energetic State Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Almira Staples, of South Bend, has issued a leaflet in the interest of her department which I hope will be used in all Unions of the State.

Bartholomew County Convention and Institute was held at Hartsville in Barger Chapel. We had with us Mrs. M. O. Gibson. Our County President, Mrs. Jennie Guffey, could not be with us on account of sickness in her family. The State program was carried out. Some who had been assigned subjects were not with us, but sent their papers. The papers were all good, as were the discussions which followed. The medal contest was participated in by three girls and two boys. The medal was won by John Carter. All of the contestants did well and were greeted by a well-filled house and an appreciative audience. Rev. John Sielig and Rev. C. C. Bonnell assisted on the program, much to the pleasure and interest of those present. The convention closed Tuesday evening with a lecture by Mrs. Mattie O. Gibson. At the close of Tuesday's meeting a W. C. T. U. was organized with seventeen members. The meetings of the convention were all well attended by both men and women. We wish also to make mention of the music, which was excellent.

Mrs. Julia A. Trish was at New Pittsburg a week and held a series of gospel temperance meetings. She spoke in her forcible and unique manner to large and attentive audiences every evening. Although the immediate result was small, we feel that a great influence for good will go out from this effort to bring the cause of temperance before the people. On the Sabbath she preached two excellent sermons and held a mothers' meeting, which was well attended. On Saturday afternoon, March 24, she attended the regular meeting of the W. U. T. U. and gave the White Ribbon sisters much encouragement by her sweet words of counsel.



## L. T. L. CORNER.

The Mid-Year State Executive Meeting, composed of County Presidents and State Officers, expressed their faith and hope in the Loyal Temperance Legion in a most generous fashion, adopting the national plan of the Infant Grade of the L. T. L.; also voted to include the *Young Crusader* in the clubbing rates. This means that this young fellow is to go hand in hand with the *MESSAGE* and *Union Signal* in conventions, institutes, public meetings, letter heads, state minutes, *MESSAGE*, etc., as clubbing with the *MESSAGE* at 45 cents, with *MESSAGE* and *Union Signal* at \$1.25.

A donation of \$25.00 was given the L. T. L. Branch for printing of new State leaflet and circular letters, etc., and by unanimous vote, invited the State Legion to again hold its State Convention in connection with the State W. C. T. U. Convention this fall, in Frankfort.

I hope the Seniors will strive for great things and that Indiana will have a large number of graduates this year, and many of them present at State meeting to receive their diplomas in person.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
General Secretary L. T. L. Branch.

## NORTH VERNON W. C. T. U. RECEIVES A GREAT UPLIFT.

It was with much fear and trembling that our Union decided to invite the Mid-Year Executive Committee to meet in our town, but our hearts rejoice that so many consecrated workers have been in our homes. Many persons who thought the W. C. T. U. did not amount to anything were surprised to find that the best and most talented women of the State were enrolled with us.

The Matrons' Contest was highly appreciated and many favorable remarks have been heard of the contestants. Our beloved State President was with us on Wednesday. Her earnest appeal to us to be loyal and true during this campaign year will stimulate us to labor on with more zeal because of the opposition to our cause.

Mrs. Frances Beauchamp was admired by all. Her address was exceedingly fine, and those who were fortunate enough to hear it cannot praise it too highly. The Democratic Mayor said the women had converted him. Miss Sears met the young ladies on Monday evening at the home of Miss Sadie H. Eves. Her pleasant manner and loving words won all hearts. Mrs. Curtis, who was present at this meeting, spoke very beautifully of the purity of heart and life required of the Christian.

Seymour Union held a quarterly Gospel Temperance Meeting Sunday evening, April 1. We held the meeting in two large churches, both of which were well filled. One meeting was for women—women presiding, ushering, etc., with an address by Miss Smock of the Door of Hope and a chorus of ladies' voices. The other was an assemblage of men, with a male chorus and an address by Q. L. Morrow, of Baltimore. Mr. Lough, the singing evangelist, assisted. At each meeting we presented the "anti-canteen" petition, which was received with much favor. At the ladies meeting we circulated membership cards and received several additions to our Union. We are much pleased with the results.

Knox County Convention and Institute was held at Oaktown, April 20 and 21, with a very good attendance of W's and Y's. The Oaktown people were very cordial and enthusiastic, although they had no Union. This was the best County Convention we have ever held in Knox County. There were few disappointments on the program and those who could not come sent excellent excuses, and of course, we took up the work ourselves. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson was our excellent assistant and leader of the Institute. We decided to have our convention in the fall and Institute in the spring, which we think a good plan. I would like to give a report of the work done by the different departments, but there is not enough space, but will say we are doing excellent work and the reports do not tell half that is done. Our sisters in Oaktown permitted us to organize among them a W. C. T. U. Local of seven members, with Miss Dee Polk, President; Mrs. Fanny Bind, Recording and Corresponding Secretary; Miss Ida Sprinkle, Treasurer. Master James Gipe captivated the boys and girls completely. We, with his assistance, organized a Senior L. T. L., with Miss Ada McClure, President; Miss Ada Shephard, Vice-President; Miss Ethel McClure, Recording and Corresponding Secretary; Master Charles Ballance, Treasurer (to hold the balance.) The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: For Knox County, President, Mrs. Arie Polk, Freelandville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nellie Virtue Chambers, Westphalia; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Alice Bierhaus, Vincennes; Treasurer, Mrs. J. T. McJinisey, Vincennes. The following departments of work were taken up and Superintendents appointed: Evangelistic, Mrs. Alice Bierhaus, Vincennes; Franchise, Mrs. Maggie McGaughy, Freelandville; Contest, Mrs. Nellie Virtue Chambers, Westphalia; L. T. L., Mrs. Ora McArthur, Freelandville; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Belle Smart, Vincennes; Flower Mission, Miss Dora Simonson, Edwardsport; Press, Miss Mary Denny, Vincennes; Christian Citizenship, Miss Dee Polk, Oaktown; Purity, Mrs. Alice Scudder, Edwardsport; Narcotics, Mrs. Rush Bond, Oaktown; Communion Wine, Miss Helen Ritterskamp, Freelandville; Health, Heredity and Physical Culture, Mrs. Alice Bierhaus, Vincennes.

Wayne County W. C. T. U. held Institute and County Convention at Dublin, April 18 and 19. At the close of the convention we organized a local Union with ten members, with Mrs. Emma Henby as President, Miss Anna Hiatt as Corresponding and Recording Secretary and Miss Nellie Champ as Treasurer. The literature received and Union equipped. We hope to nurse and help it to grow.

St. Joseph County Institute was held in Grace M. E. Church, South Bend, March 9 and 10. The attendance was fairly good and the papers were excellent. The State program was carried out with few changes. A parliamentary drill by Mrs. Brand was very instructive. Devotions, led by Mrs. Pearce, were most helpful. The oratorical contest was enjoyable. Master Roscoe Dice was the successful contestant. On Saturday evening the institute and prohibition convention united. Mrs. Brand gave an excellent address to an appreciative audience on Sabbath morning. Each Local Union has appointed a Superintendent, who assists in this work.

Blackford County Institute was held at Millgrove, April 23 and 24, with Miss Hadley as leader. All the Unions of the county were represented. The day sessions were especially interesting, the discussions being entered into with much spirit and enthusiasm. Mrs. Lottie Racer, of Millgrove, Superintendent of Literature, gave an interesting talk on The Value of the Printed Page, as also did our County President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, on Organization. Other members of the Union spoke on Proportionate Giving, Department Plan, How to Increase the Membership, Why Some Unions Discontinue, Narcotic Poisons, and Why is there so Small a per cent of Young Men in the Churches? These subjects were all profitably discussed by the Institute. Rev. R. S. Reed, of the M. E. Church of this place, spoke on the subject, Does the Prosperity of the Church Demand that Temperance Work Shall Have a Prominent Place in Church Activities? He held that it does and gave some splendid thoughts on this line. Rev. Greenwalt also gave us an earnest talk on Correlation of Reform Forces. The first evening we listened to a splendid lecture on Scientific Temperance; on the second evening to general W. C. T. U. work, by the leader. These lectures were both profitable and interesting. Millgrove Union was greatly built up and encouraged, sixteen new names being added to their numbers, ten of whom were honoraries. Several of the number being young people, we have organized what we have greatly desired—a nice and prosperous Y. We also raised the subscription list to the *MESSAGE* to equal the number of regular members in the Union. The splendid work of the Institute has encouraged all members to do more work this year in this great work for God and Home and Native Land.

Jay County Institute and Semi-Annual Convention of W. C. T. U. convened April 25 and 26, 1900, in Red Key, in the M. E. Church. Our State and National Superintendent of Institute Department, Miss Mary Hadley, was present and presided at the first two sessions. Mrs. Minnie Brotherton presided Wednesday night. A good program was rendered and much helpful work done. Miss Mary Hadley's presentation of her subjects was in her usual plain, practical, direct way, and characterized by her own gentle, winning manner which makes friends for herself and the cause which she loves and serves. At noon, Thursday, County President Gertrude Fulton, took charge of the convention and carried the work through to a finish. The Thursday afternoon and evening sessions "put on airs" to the extent of two fine addresses, one by Mr. Carey Ayers, of Red Key, the other by Prof. Bert Ayers, of Taylor University, Upland. The bills (Rev.) which came before the different sessions were received, indorsed and fully appreciated. The weather was ideal and the meetings helpful and harmonious.

Grant County Institute was held April 13 and 14, at Gas City. Leader, Miss Mary Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Institutes; Assistant Leader, Miss Clara Sears. In the absence of Mrs. Wilson, the loved County President, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, Vice-President, assumed her duties. The State program was carried out. "Value of the Printed Page," by Mrs. Heath, was practical and inspiring, followed by earnest discussion. "Conditions of Victory," by Mary R. Elliott. Here it was plainly shown that victory will come as the direct result of our diligence. "Tools of Our Guild," by Mrs. Etta Ayers, State Superintendent of Literature. Tools have been provided for W. C. T. U. workers in the way of papers, leaflets, etc. Our tool chest is full and many of them are sharpened. When we become efficient in the use of these tools, rum will tremble. Reporting by Elma Thomas. Reporting is the set of notes that give music to the work of W. C. T. U. Blanket reports explained by Miss Sears. Organization, presented by Miss Hadley; L. T. L., by Julia Overman, who paid her respects emphatically to Prof. Atwater. He deserves it. He ought to be hit so hard that he could not preside in the college. Mothers will be obliged to look beyond the day school for temperance to be taught their children, for the law is very poorly enforced. Give every child to the L. T. L. The discussion was animated and surely will cause the Unions to urge L. T. L. work and pray for women to have conviction for leaders. "Sabbath Observance" was ably presented by Mrs. Kilgore. Discussion led by Rev. Enos Harvey. The Grand Gold Medal Contest was a great success. The medal was awarded to Miss Ina Coggsall, of South Marion.

Why Some Unions Discontinue, was practically presented by Sarah C. Lenfesty, who recommends that the business of the Union be looked after as any other business that is a success. Miss Sears made a wonderful plea for the Young Woman's Work, which was discussed by Miss Sanders. Narcotic Poison, by Mary Coggsall. The Effect of Cigarettes was presented, also that of tobacco on mind and body. The scheme of the dealers and our anti-cigarette law was discussed. The Purpose and Claims of the Hadley Industrial School was presented by Louisa Rush. Much interest manifested. Non-Alcoholic Medication, by Dr. Votan, was presented from a scientific and practical standpoint.

Our Franchise Campaign, by Mrs. Roberts, who came to the platform with yellow streamers floating from her manuscript. Her words were inspiring. Scientific Temperance was presented by Rachel Lewis, who dealt in facts which ought to arouse the people to action. Civil Government, including Municipal Laws, was by Mrs. Wolf, who presented the existing conditions with clearness and great interest.

The different phases of the church and temperance work were ably and enthusiastically presented by Rev. J. W. Osborn, a courageous man and pastor of Gas City M. E. Church, Rev. T. W. Cox, a White Ribboner and pastor at Fairmount, and W. F. R. Farcer. Prof. Ayers, of Taylor University, handled the subject, "Can the Church Banish the Saloon?" in such a manner as to arouse Christians to realize that the church must stop voting for a continuation of the saloon business. The symposium for the second evening was fine. Ten minutes were allotted to each speaker, who presented the subject assigned in a masterly manner. They were: Vital Issues, Rev. E. L. Frazier; Why so Small a per cent of Young Men in the Churches? Mrs. Wolf; Economics of the Liquor Traffic, Rev. Harvey Ratliff.

Noble County Institute was held at Avilla. The county Unions were well represented. The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Rev. Cain, of Avilla. Following this were very excellent papers and talks by some of the members, namely: Proportionate Giving, Mrs. Goreel; L. T. L. Work, Mrs. Halferty; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Murry; Albion Organization, Mrs. Simmons, LaOita. The audience was also favored with short addresses from Revs. Cain and Molier, which were greatly appreciated. The Medal Contest held on Monday evening was a decided success. The audience filled the house to overflowing and the contestants delivered their pieces in a manner which won great praise from all present. Miss Cappa Knirs, of LaOita, was the fortunate young lady who received the Silver Medal of the W. C. T. U., Miss Faye McCartney being second. Another contest will shortly be held. The judges were Mrs. Clapps and Rev. Murry, of Albion, and Mrs. Rose Pearce, of LaPorte. The sessions of Tuesday showed signs of growing interest, the audience being large and attentive. During the morning the ladies were favored with addresses from Rev. Murry, of Albion, and Rev. Pearce, of LaPorte, which added much to the interest of the gathering. The audience on Tuesday evening was large. Mrs. Rose Pearce was the speaker. As a result of the Institute, a Union was organized, officers elected and we have every reason to believe that Avilla will shortly have one of the strongest Unions in Noble County.

Royal Center had the good fortune to have Mrs. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, on the 7th and on Sunday. Sunday afternoon a most delightful soul-searching, soul-inspiring mothers' meeting was held in the Baptist church. Rev. Clem, the pastor, has been here only a short time, but he is a staunch prohibitionist, a young man, and his bright little wife gave her name as a member. Eleven new members were secured. Sunday evening the church was full and Mrs. Stahl's address was fine, inspiring and convincing. When the solicitors went through the congregation for members, a brother gave his name and said this lecture was worth a dollar to him. Nineteen new members were secured.

Adams County Institute was held at Decatur. The opening was saddened by the death and funeral service of Mrs. Patterson, a loved member. The State program was used. Miss Hadley as leader is an interesting speaker and has her subjects well in hand. The interest increased throughout. The contest on the first evening by the ladies was quite enjoyable. Dr. Marie L. Holloway won first honor and Miss Segner second. Mrs. Judge Studebaker appeared as Samantha Allen, in costume, and was greeted with applause. By special arrangement the closing meeting was held as a union service, and addressed by Miss Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Institutes. The different ministers of the city were on the platform and officiated in the opening and closing services. Also the local W. C. T. U. President, Mrs. Gilson, and other White Ribboners. The large and beautiful auditorium of the M. E. Church was filled and much of the space in the lecture-room occupied. Miss Hadley's address was forceful and inspiring. Her persuasive manner and her refinement and culture, dominated by a christ-like spirit, wins all hearts. The great interest manifested during the entire Institute resulted in the accession of 31 members and the organization of a Y Branch. The ministers and leading citizens were included in the honorary membership. A large subscription list was taken for the *Union Signal* and the *MESSAGE*.



## STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

The souvenir for our Board of Departments has been postponed until after the meeting in June. Superintendents will not send in their money or cuts now.

FRANCES E. BOYER.

## SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

Dear White Ribbon Sisters, give me your attention. Are you remembering that we have Assembly Unions at six points and will have a program at these places? Acton Park, August 2 and 3; Bethany, July 23; Battle Ground, Island Park, August 9; Winona and Zionville, July 10.

We are responsible largely for the success of these meetings. Are we planning to attend some one of them? Are we selecting memberships and arranging to take our banners, local and county? Do we fully comprehend the great opportunity these meetings offer for our educational work? Work up an excursion to these meetings, talk about them, think about them, and pray that we each do our best for them.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

## BLANKET REPORT BLANKS.

Two sets will be sent this quarter—one filled and sent to State Superintendent as per instruction on blank, the other filled and sent to County Superintendent to save the writing of one as per instruction. Unfilled blanks not to be returned.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Secretary.

Huntington County Institute, with Miss Mary Hadley as leader, was held in Andrews April 16 and 17. We had a helpful and instructive two days' meeting. We succeeded in organizing a Union of 17 members and 19 subscribers to the MESSAGE. On Monday evening eight young ladies contested for the silver medal, a young lady from Huntington winning the medal.

The Mid-Year Conference of State Superintendents will be held in the West Side M. E. Church, LaFayette, beginning Tuesday, June 12, and lasting three days. All our State Superintendents are urged to be present. Will each one please notify me as to day and train on which she will come, so that one entertainment committee may know just how many to provide for?

SARAH D. CURTISS,  
President of Board.

The Executive Committee voted to bring Mrs. Mary Teats, of California, into our State for Purity work. Mrs. Teats writes that she will begin about Aug. 15, coming into the State from Chicago, and can give a month, leaving the State en route for Cincinnati. The work will be planned with these points in mind, to save travel. The terms are \$5 a lecture, she paying railroad travel. Mrs. Teats writes that the Unions must see that she gets from and to the trains at their expense. If the Unions wishing the services of Mrs. Teats will write early so that a close route may be planned, it will be for the best good all around.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## SECOND MID-YEAR CONFERENCE OF STATE SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE W. C. T. U. OF INDIANA AT THE WEST SIDE M. E. CHURCH, WEST LAFAYETTE.

## FIRST MORNING, JUNE 12.

- 9:15. Devotional services, led by Mrs. M. E. Haughton.
- 9:00. Organization and Appointment of Committees, Organizers and Lecturers.
- 9:30. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson.  
Mrs. Allie Anderson.  
Mrs. Hattie Brand.
- 10:30. L. T. L. and Y Work, Mrs. Ada L. Squier.  
Work Among Colored People, Mrs. Lottie Searls.  
Work Among Foreigners, Mrs. Anna Kilmer.
- 11:30. Miscellaneous Business.
- 12:00. Adjournment.

## AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Devotional, led by Mrs. S. M. Stahl.
- 1:45. Health, Heredity and Physical Training, Mrs. Clara Agnes Boyd.
- 2:20. W. C. T. U. Institutes, Miss Mary Hadley.
- 2:45. S. S. Work, Mrs. Alice Geary.
- 3:10. Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Pleasant Bond.
- 3:35. Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. E. D. Hardy.
- 4:00. Medal Contests, Mrs. M. E. Balch.
- 4:25. Temperance Literature, Mrs. Etta Ayers.
- 4:50. Adjournment.

## EVENING.

- 8:00. Devotional, led by Miss Sears.  
Oratorical Contest, led by Mrs. Mary E. Balch.  
Admission, 10 cents.

## SECOND MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotional, led by Mrs. K. W. Holler.
- 9:15. Discussion of Amendment to Constitution.
- 10:00. Press Work, Mrs. Florence Vance.
- 10:25. Purity, Mrs. Frances Boyer.
- 10:50. Purity in Literature and Art, Mrs. Jennie Erwin.
- 11:15. Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. S. M. Stahl.
- 11:40. Narcotics, Miss Zella Miller.
- 12:05. Adjournment.

## AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Devotional, led by Mrs. S. M. Shelt.
- 1:45. Orphans' Homes, Mrs. Ida R. Benham.
- 2:10. Relation to Labor, Law and Statistics, Mrs. Harriet Kidd.
- 2:35. Peace and Arbitration, Miss Lavina Bailey.
- 3:00. Household Economics, Mrs. Mary Moody.
- 3:25. Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Jessup Smith, M. D.
- 3:50. Evangelistic, Mrs. E. M. Haughton.
- 4:15. Systematic Giving, Mrs. S. M. Shelt.
- 4:40. Adjournment.

## EVENING.

- 8:00. Devotional, led by Mrs. E. K. Denny.  
Short Addresses.

## THIRD MORNING.

- 9:00. Devotional, Mrs. Frances Boyer.
- 9:15. Reading of the Minutes.
- 9:30. Miscellaneous Business.
- 10:00. Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners, Mrs. E. K. Denny.
- 10:25. Work Among Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Julia Overman.
- 10:50. Unfermented Communion Wine, Mrs. J. R. Wood.
- 11:15. Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler.
- 12:00. Adjournment.

## AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Devotional, Mrs. J. B. Sucose.
- 2:00. Flower Mission, Miss Anna Carr.
- 2:25. Franchise, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins.
- 2:50. State and County Fairs, Mrs. M. A. Colton.
- 3:15. Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Alice Staples.
- 3:40. Mercy, Mrs. Lou E. Rall.
- 4:05. Work Among Railroad Employees, Mrs. J. B. Sucose.
- 4:30. Adjournment.

## DEMOREST MEMORIAL DAY.

As the tenth of June, the birthday of William Jennings Demorest, falls this year upon Sunday, the oratorical contests with which the W. C. T. U. observe that day may be held June 11, or upon any day during that month. The National Superintendent of medal contests has prepared the following program for use upon that occasion, with the understanding that it may be varied by local unions to suit local needs and conditions:

- Opening Song—"Hail to Old Glory".....Kinsey  
(Song for all voices and mixed chorus.)
- Scripture reading.
- Prayer.
- Song—"One Sweetly Solemn Thought".....  
.....Ambrose Brierly  
(Duet for alto and tenor voices.)
- Sketch of the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Demorest.
- Song—"Crossing the Bar".....Woodward  
(Quartette.)

- Recitation No. 1.
- Recitation No. 2.
- Song—"The Pious Deacon".....Avis  
(Chorus for mixed or male voices.)
- Recitation No. 3.
- Recitation No. 4.
- Song—"Save the Boy".....Cole  
(Song and chorus for mixed or male voices.)
- Recitation No. 5.
- Recitation No. 6.
- Judges of the contest retire.
- Appeal for members of the W. C. T. U.
- Song—"What Are You Going to Do, Boys?"  
(Duet and chorus for mixed voices.)
- Awarding the medal.
- Song—"All Hail the Starry Banner!".....Mowers  
(Chorus for mixed voices.)
- Benediction.

It is a good idea to have as many singers in the choir, or chorus, as possible. The more there are the more effective the music. If preferred, a flag drill may be given while the judges are making their decision. The recitations should be on prohibition. For further instruction, if needed, and for recitation books and medals, send to your State Superintendent of Medal Contests. For music, send to the National Superintendent, Mrs. A. E. Carmen, The Temple, Chicago. A catalogue of music is now ready and will be mailed to any address on receipt of postage stamp.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

I wish you to know that our National Superintendent has just issued a manual entitled "Hints and Helps for Sunday School Workers," in which the plan of work of the department is very plainly set forth, including instructions in all lines of work and which can be secured of Mrs. Stella B. Irwin, of St. Paul, Minn., for 10 cents each.

I wish every white ribboner to have this book and will send one free to any superintendent who will send me her name and address before the 15th of June. If I can get this book in your hands, it will be the best work that I can do at this time. Our next quarterly lesson appears June 10th.

The quarterly leaflet giving the temperance teaching points and the blackboard circulars can be secured of Mrs. Irvine and will prove very helpful to the Union ordering them. The leaflet is 25 cents per 100, postpaid. The blackboard circulars 2 cents each or 50 cents per 100, postpaid. Put forth every effort to

have this the best "temperance Sunday" in the year. It will be a good time for Sunday School rallies, addresses and pledge signing. Make duplicate pledge chain if you desire to retain one for an object lesson for the Sunday School. Report promptly.

ALICE G. GEARY.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The opening of spring is a time of gladness to the dear girls of this Home, as with it comes so much outdoor life with things of nature. School has closed with satisfactory results, the girls generally making their grades with credit to themselves and teacher. The night school of one hour or more duration proved a great help to the day school, and if the same untiring energy can be maintained next term, we shall have a graduating class at its close. This will leave the older girls free to take part in the general work of the Home, thereby lightening the burdens of the Superintendent and Matron.

The new laundry is now enclosed and will soon be finished. Spring planting has been pushed forward as rapidly as the season would permit. The wheat sown last fall was entirely destroyed by the unfavorable conditions of the winter. Much freezing and thawing and very little snow for winter covering brought about this disaster. The fruit prospect is now fair for everything except apples. Strawberries were well mulched in the fall and are promising a fair yield and will begin to ripen the last week in May.

The little calves and pigs are numerous and beautiful. The girls are healthy and happy and are learning to look upon the bright side of life and feel that they have a mission to accomplish here. But the lot of all persons in life is to suffer loss and bereavement of loved ones. The death of Mr. R. E. Carmack during the past week has brought sorrow to the hearts of all connected with the Home. His health had been failing for some time. Last fall he made the remark while at the Home that the thoughts of this Home kept him alive. He loved the girls personally, as he knew them all well. He believed that if the high ideals of Mr. and Mrs. Hadley can be successfully carried out in this Home, it will be a great power for good in the world. It is inspiring to have known one so truly unselfish and independent in benevolent action as was Mr. Carmack.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

Washington County W. C. T. U. Institute was held at Campbellsburg. The tidal wave of activity is rising higher and higher in our county. We were very happy to have with us Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack Gibson, who addressed a large audience at Hardinsburg, Sunday, April 8. The address was intensely interesting and suggestive, forceful and inspiring. Mrs. Gibson won all hearts by her gentle manner and persuasive eloquence. After the address one good brother came up and gave us his hand, to become an honorary member. It was encouraging to know that the extreme bad weather did not prevent the Washington County Union from holding its Institute. A County Institute, especially if it be one of marked interest and enthusiasm, is always an incentive to a higher and more diligent phase of work and life. All White Ribboners should make it a point to attend. If so, I will assure them they will go home with many good resolutions that will bear good fruit. The County Officers were all present and it was evident that our friends were praying for the success of the Institute. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave us great help on all lines of work. The remarks of Revs. Crow, Clinton and Monbeck, were the interesting features of the clergyman's hour. Their words were an inspiration to all present. The Silver Medal Contest was of unusual merit. All the recitations were excellently rendered and Mr. Will Bilyen was awarded the prize.

The following evening Mrs. Gibson addressed a full house on "Five Boys in Knee Pants," and it so stirred the hearts of the people that they put their hands deep down into their pockets to help the W. C. T. U. of Campbellsburg. A live Union was organized with nine active and one honorary member. President, Miss Flora Wines; Vice-President, Mrs. Mollie Wilkins; Secretary, Miss Addie Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Chamberlin; Superintendent of Contest Work, Mrs. Lydia Hiles. This new Union takes up the work bravely. By the way they have started out we feel that with God's help they will crown the coming year with successful efforts.

Floyd County Institute was held at New Albany, Mrs. Brand leader. The devotional services were led by Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, McClain, who spoke very sweetly. Mrs. Dr. Jones was in the chair in the absence of the leader. She turned the house into a talking meeting, letting guests and local workers feel each other's pulse and diagnosing a very high temperature, dangerous only to the liquor traffic. Mrs. Brand was gladly welcomed. After noontide prayer the Institute adjourned for lunch at Mrs. Theo. Day's, prepared by our committee—Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Teadon and others. Followed up program in the afternoon and at night with welcome address by Y. M. C. A. Secretary at night. Response by Mrs. Hattie Brand, followed by Green family illustrated song service, or concert. Evening of 24th had Mrs. Connie Hickson, of Louisville, for a talk to young people. Music by the Green family—two boys, father, mother and little daughter.



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## TABLE BLESSING IN SONG.

Be present at our table, Lord,  
Be here and everywhere adored.  
Thy creatures bless and grant that we  
May feast in Paradise with Thee.

## A MAGNIFICENT GIFT.

Our co-laborer, Mrs. M. A. Omo, of Harlan, has given \$500 for a permanent endowment fund to the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, in memory of her loved sister, Miss Hannah H. McDaniels. The earnest work in the W. C. T. U. and the L. T. L. of this sister was known and appreciated. The influences exerted by that beautiful life are still being felt. Mrs. Omo has for years been officially connected with the Allen County W. C. T. U., having served for a long time as County President.

As an endowment fund, this money cannot be used, the annual interest only being available. Thus, year by year, it will enable the State to do a certain amount of definite field work. To have such a gift for a permanent endowment fund for organization means much to the Indiana W. C. T. U. Surely other sisters who cannot push on in the fore front of the battle for God and Home and Native Land, will arrange to contribute of their means to the State W. C. T. U., so that each year the accrued interest will enable the State to carry on the needed work. May God send conviction into the hearts of some of our superannuated workers to thus help to provide a way for the work to go on. The battle wages, the conflict deepens and in all the history of the past there never has been so great a need of workers.

## THE MESSAGE.

Mrs. M. A. Holloway, Lincolnville, says: "Do I like the MESSAGE? Yes, yes! I cannot do without it." Mrs. Haines, of Rockport, says: "I cannot afford to miss one number."

Dear sisters, have you attended to your renewals? The MESSAGES going to any one town are securely wrapped in packages, and if any reach their destination, all do. If your neighbor gets her paper and you do not, the fault is at the home office or with the one who gets your paper for you.

August 15th seems a long way off, hence you put off engaging Mrs. Teats, the Purity worker. Better write for dates at once. Write the State Secretary. Mrs. Teats comes into our State from Chicago, Aug. 15 and can spend a month crossing the State en route to Cincinnati.

Miss Margaret Wintruger, of Austin Station, Chicago, will give June to Indiana. Write Miss Wintruger for dates.

## BLANKET REPORT BLANKS.

NOTICE—Mrs. Florence Vance is now at Crawfordsville. Mrs. Colton has resigned and Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 North Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, takes her unexpired term. Send Fair blanks to Mrs. Leck. Don't fail to fill one for the County Superintendent when there is one.

Monrovia Y has thirty members. A young man returned from the Philippines gave a talk to them on the canteen. The girls are rushing the medal work, ordering three silver medals at once.

Grant County has held her second grand gold medal contest.

## BLANKET REPORT BLANKS.

Some State Superintendents say that their quarterly reports have already brought them accounts of more work done thus far this year than was reported for the entire four quarters of last year. This is certainly most encouraging and proves that the work done in the local Unions has always been much greater than has ever been reported to the State Superintendents. The annual program of each Union should provide for time to be given at the first meeting in December, March, June and September for the filling out of the Blanket Report blanks. Then each superintendent of a department and each individual member will make a special effort to be present and to report all the work done (much is done by the individual members which has never been reported.)

A table will be provided and upon it the Corresponding Secretary of the Union will place the blanket report blank and the pen and ink. When the time arrives for the reports, the Corresponding Secretary, who will be seated by the table, will read the name of the first department. The Superintendent will take a seat by the table, read aloud distinctly each question on her department blank and ask for all who have done any work in her department, not previously reported, to now report to her in figures. These figures she will add to her own list, as kept in her memorandum book, and proceed to fill out the report blanks. One of these she will enclose in a stamped envelope

already addressed to the State Superintendent, and the others in like manner to the County Superintendent. Each Superintendent will, as her department is called, proceed in the same manner, each time reading the questions with emphasis. The names of the departments having no Superintendents will be called and the Corresponding Secretary herself will slowly and clearly read the questions, each time asking that they be considered, and calling for reports of all work done by the members in each department. She will fill out the blanks, if only a little has been done. One she will send to the State Superintendent and the other to the County Superintendent, if there be one. The Union will pay the postage for all reports of departments not having Superintendents. The officers of the Union will, of course, fill out their blanks, too, and forward them immediately.

To send the quarterly reports will cost each officer eight cents in postage a year, and each Superintendent sixteen cents in postage a year. This, I am sure, will be cheerfully given in order to help the State, National and World's work along. By doing this reporting quarterly and by the reading of the questions on the blanks at these meetings, greater interest and enthusiasm will be aroused in our department work. It cannot be otherwise. The Union that persistently follows this plan will never hear any of its members say, "There isn't any work we can do in this place." Members, friends and strangers will listen in amazement to the questions in the many departments. They will be led to exclaim, as did a minister in Howard County, who attended a convention and heard the Superintendents' reports: "I never knew before that the W. C. T. U. plans were so broad. I was astonished to know that such work was being done."

Local Presidents, consider this prayer fully, and you will perhaps be impressed with the fact that if each Superintendent was stimulated to greater activity, the success of the Union would be much greater. To this end plan your next meeting for making out reports, heartily co-operate with your Corresponding Secretary and close with a praise service for the much or little each has done and the great good accomplished as a union.

LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Warren Y's have changed their meeting time to Tuesday evening. The President, Mrs. Clark, writes: "We go out to Miss Smith's, in the country, for the next meeting."

Through the untiring efforts of the President of the Lebanon W. C. T. U., Mrs. Dr. Henderson, a date was arranged and your Secretary spent the 31st of May and the 1st of June in that city. Although it rained, at the close of the address fifteen young people were organized into a Y branch and they will elect their own officers and become a Union soon. Pray for them, that God's rich blessing may attend their efforts.

Mrs. Anna Kilmer, President of Miami County, writes: The Peru Y is doing fine work, meeting every two weeks. They held a silver medal contest composed of four young women and two young men; paid their dues and are out of debt. The Y's and L. T. L.'s will help the W's observe their Flower Mission day. How our hearts rejoice as we learn of the successful work our young people are doing for Jesus' sake!

Remember, this third quarter must be the best in the payment of dues. Let us see which Union can collect and pay for the most members by June 15th. Have a self-denial week, girls, and save your dues, hand them in and see how happy it will make us.

The Goshen Y's are not very noisy, but they are firmly and quietly marching on; good temperance seed is sown in many families through our Y's, for which we often feel like praising God, and do praise Him for the enthusiastic Y branch He has given us. A number of our Y's have removed to other places; while we miss them here, we hope our work may go on through them in their new homes. We use the State programs and are delighted with them; our meetings are well attended and at nearly every meeting we are granted the privilege of adding new names to our list. Our pastors, superintendent of our city schools and our city teachers all seem glad to assist us on our programs. The Chairman of the next meeting has secured the services of a prominent minister to discuss the subject of narcotics. A profitable time is anticipated. I would like to add here that our meetings are not attended by young ladies only, but we always have a good attendance of boys and young men.

Word comes indirectly of the splendid Purity meeting held by the South Bend Y's.

Send to the Y Secretary items of news as early as the 28th of each month, so we can keep our columns filled. Spend much time in vacation in building up your Unions, help in every way and place you can and pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit's power in the lives of each one.

CLARA M. SEARS,

Secretary Y. W. C. T. U.

## ORATORICAL CONTESTS.

Two-thirds of the work in the Department of Oratorical Medal Contests is done in the months intervening between the 15th of May and the 15th of October, beginning with the commencement exercises in schools and colleges, followed by Demorest Memorial Contests on the 11th of June and continued throughout the month; then the contests at summer institutes and outdoor gatherings, Fourth of July picnics, old settlers' reunions, etc.

Contests at county conventions are held in many States. One State held a contest at every institute last year to meet expenses. Last, are the contests at the State conventions.

The work is progressing, but as a further incentive the Columbia School of Oratory, through Miss Blood, a National Associate and President of the college, has offered half rates to contestants who have won a diamond medal, provided that they have a high school education or its equivalent and do not use liquor or tobacco in any form. This offer is for the regular diploma course. Several are working for these special rates. We have several scholarships at reduced rates in music and oratory in other schools, and will be pleased to correspond with any one expecting to take a course in either.

Many have written that they will hold a Demorest Memorial Contest sometime during June, and several have sent for music and will carry out the program as published in the *Signal*. Catalogue of music will be mailed to you for two cents. Nearly 30,000 children and young people, aside from the older classes, contested last year and over \$11,000 brought into the local treasuries! What more can be said to interest local workers? Write to Mrs. Balch, your State Superintendent, for instructions and help us in this grand work for temperance and prohibition.

ADELIA E. CARMAN,

National Superintendent.

291 South Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

## EXCURSION TO HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The many friends of our school are cordially invited to join the Indianapolis party of White Ribboners and friends who will spend June 15 at the Hadley Industrial School farm. Round trip fare from Indianapolis, 75 cents; going at 7:30 A. M. and returning at 6:30 P. M. A good, wholesome dinner will be served for 25 cents by "our girls" in the dining-room of the School, including strawberries from the garden and cream from the dairy. The girls have arranged a short afternoon program which will interest all who attend. If the day is fair, the grounds will be greatly enjoyed, as well as a trip to the barnyard and over the farm. Let everybody who is interested in this splendid example of the plan of prevention and the illustration of the industrial training for worthy needy girls arrange to join this party and spend one day on the farm. Those who can meet us here in Indianapolis, do so; others can drive through. Come! If it rains on that day, go anyway, for the building is commodious, and the hearty welcome and great appreciation of the girls will make the day one of genuine pleasure. The good that your presence will do will be reflected back into your own soul.

Miss Mary Hadley, State and National Superintendent of W. C. T. U. Institutes, has gone to Minnesota for a month's Institute work, after spending some time in holding institutes in Ohio. Wherever Miss Hadley conducts an Institute the interest in the general work of the W. C. T. U. is greatly increased, new members—active and honorary—are gained and subscriptions taken to the State and National papers.

## JULY 4.

Every Union should hold a picnic on July 4. Have speeches, music and recitations. Invite the young people, take the children. Have pledge cards, pencils and little white ribbon bows convenient, so that new members, regular and honorary, may be secured. Let us all help to make Independence Day a pleasant, profitable day, so that the young people will be inspired to be loyal, patriotic citizens.

In Martinsville the W. C. T. U. is waging a war against the cigarette. The parents and teachers are aroused upon the subject. Copies of the anti-cigarette law are posted in prominent business places. An editorial in one of the dailies, says: The evil effects of the pernicious habit soon shows its effect in the mental and physical condition of a school boy, and yet the parents are frequently deceived by their children as to the hidden power which brings about the condition. It is thought by the teachers that the parents cannot have knowledge of the habit or they would take severe measures to stop it. On Sunday, pledge cards will be distributed in the Sunday schools and an effort will be made to have the boys sign the pledge. The co-operation of the teachers, parents and business men in the work is strongly urged by the W. C. T. U.

HOLD JULY 4th PICNICS



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JUNE, 1900.

## FAIR WORK.

Written by Mrs. M. A. Colton before she resigned as State Superintendent of Fair Work.

Trusting that we shall be more enthusiastic than last year, and be really what our motto claims, "The women that publish the tidings are a great host." Psalm 6, 8-11. Revised version.

The first. The law of the State forbids the sale of intoxicating liquors at State or County Fairs. See that every privilege reads "exclusive of intoxicating liquors" and have the law enforced. I would recommend the holding of Medal Contests, getting one child from each township to form a class; a rest room where literature can be distributed and subscriptions to papers taken—*Union Signal*, MESSAGE, *Patriot*, *Phalanx*, and *Young Crusader*. The National offers a banner to the State having the largest increase in membership in our department. Honoraries count in this contest. The National has pledge cards at twenty-five cents per hundred; they are in red and white and should be strung together with blue ribbon to make a pretty decoration at State Fair. Let our department workers enter every open door. The cards you send to the National Superintendent. The money goes into the local treasury. Minnesota took the banner last year. I do so much want our dear Indiana to take the banner this year for our department. Dear Superintendents, won't you all try for the banner? We have 266 Local Unions, 61 County Unions, and an average of two to every Union would make 654 new members. Let me urge every fair worker to secure one new member in time to send all the pledge cards to our National Superintendent before our State Convention.

Will ask you through the medium of the MESSAGE to do what I would ask in a personal letter, which is for every Union in Indiana to appoint a Superintendent of Fair Work. Her duty is to plan and arrange for the W. C. T. U. to be represented at Fourth of July celebrations, picnics, harvest homes, reunions of all kinds, as well as the annual log-rolling of the Woodmen of the World. At these assemblies an opportunity is offered to see our superintendents, to distribute literature and make known their aims and methods to a class of people who seldom attend our meetings or hear our speakers. If each Union would secure only two new members I believe we will win the National Banner offered by this department. I will supply all the pledge cards you need at 25 cents per 100. That is what I pay for them. If a special effort is made in each Union, think of the increase in membership, in interest and the means to carry on the work loyally.

## PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC GIVING.

The following Bible reading was given at the Howard County Institute by Mrs. Amanda Turner:  
God's ownership—Psalm 1, 10-12; Haggai ii, 8; Exodus xix, 5; Deuteronomy x, 14; Psalm xxiv, 1; 1 Corinthians x, 26 and 28.

Where people get their financial ability—Deuteronomy viii, 18; 1 Corinthians iii, 7; James i, 17.

First fruits—Proverbs iii, 9 and 10; Exodus xxiii, first sentence 19th verse; Nehemiah x, 35 and 37; Deuteronomy xxvi, 2.

Tithes—Genesis xxviii, 20-22; Leviticus xxvii, 30; Malachi iii, 10 and 11.

We are often told that the New Testament says nothing about giving tithes. Read Matthew xxiii, 23, and Luke xi, 42.

Some of the promises to those who give—Luke vi, 38; Proverbs xi, 24 and 25; Malachi iii, 10 and 11.

Texts on giving and on not giving—1 Corinthians xvi, 2; 2 Corinthians viii, 12; 1 Timothy vi, 17-19; Proverbs x, 22; Deuteronomy xvi, 10-17.

What is said of those who do not pay tithes nor give offerings—Malachi iii, 8.

What is said of those who acquire riches unjustly—James v, 1-4.

Shall we give the best or may we offer inferior offerings?—Malachi i, 7 and 8.

What is God's best gift to us?—John iii, 16.

## PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

What are we doing, dear sisters, to advance the interests of our department in each county?

How many local Unions have held a parlor meeting, making peace the chief topic for consideration? How many counties have made this subject prominent in their spring conventions? One that I know of, at least. In Henry county, Miss Esther Cook presented the claims of this department very earnestly, and much interest was manifested as the subject was discussed. Our State Treasurer, too, was with us, and told us of discussions in the public schools of our Capitol city, which had awakened a very healthful interest. Subjects for debates were proposed in such form as this: Resolved, that war is a greater evil than intemperance; and youthful minds were set to thinking in a most profitable way. Shall we not try to introduce similar exercises in many of the schools, and see that real helpful literature is found for the debaters referred to?

How I do wish for some word from each county on this very important theme!

There are some hopeful signs in our horizon. But one of the best would be an awakening of our W. C. T. U. members and the sound of their voices pleading for the sweet return of peace. Indeed, I may tell you, sisters, that your voice has gone out in such a plea; for letters signed (to represent our more than 6,000 women in the State) by the State President, the Corresponding Secretary and the Superintendent of Department of Peace and Arbitration have been sent to the Marquis of Salisbury for England, and to President McKinley for our own country, asking for a speedy cessation of the deplorable wars now waging in South Africa and in the Philippines. Let me urge that many such letters be sent to those high authorities asking for peace. And please let me hear what you are doing, or in what way I can help you to do something in this "unrighteous, unpopular cause."

H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Superintendent.

## FLOWER MISSION.

Winter with its cold and dreariness is passed and summer has come with its sunshine, birds and flowers. Let us take advantage of these beautiful days and try to make hundreds of lives more lovely by our visits and sweet flowers. June 9th was Miss Cassidy's birthday. As you all know, she was our first National Flower Mission Superintendent. I hope each one of your Unions had a regular Flower Mission meeting celebrating this occasion, and distributed bouquets to the sick and shut-ins, as well as at the jails, almshouses, hospitals, press offices, orphans' homes, etc.

ANNA CARR,  
State Superintendent.

## FAIR DEPARTMENT.

Please answer the following questions immediately after your fair closes. Write your full name and address and return to me:

1. Did you strive to secure the best class of agriculturists on your county board?
2. Does your county prohibit the sale of intoxicants on fair ground?
3. Have you any women on agricultural board?
4. Was your Union represented at county fair?
5. How many Unions were represented?
6. Mention Unions.
7. Did you provide a temperance program?
8. Was it carried out?
9. How many pages of literature distributed?
10. How many meals, or luncheons did you serve?
11. What revenue did you realize?
12. Did you furnish ice water free?
13. Did you have some one with a subscription book to take names for the *Union Signal* and our own State paper? Mention result.
14. How many signature to the pledge?
15. Did you have a check stand?
16. Did you contribute to the State fair?
17. Have you used the pledge cards especially prepared for this department?

MRS. A. B. LECK,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

Mr. Gibson of Jonesboro, our friend and brother, the husband of our State Recording Secretary, met with a very painful accident which will probably cause him to lose the use of one of his arms for some months. We extend to him and to our loved sister our hearty sympathy.

Mrs. Mabel Conklin was three days at Logansport and was very much liked. Six names were added to the Union's membership and an interest manifested by those who never could be reached before.

Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Superintendent of Work Among Foreigners, is energetically pushing the distribution of literature. How many Unions consider the great need of work among this class? Surely, through their churches work could be done. Who will try?

Mrs. Holler writes that this year the circulation of daily papers printing Sabbath laws in Indiana is 25,000; circulation of papers publishing our call to prayer, 15,275; call to prayer leaflets sent out, 300; sermons, 177; public meetings, 97; S. S. and L. T. L. having special meetings for promotion of Sabbath Observance, 324. The Sabbath Observance Department has already this year sent 280,000 more pages of literature than during all last year.

The readers of the MESSAGE were no doubt greatly interested in the Press Department in the last issue, also in the looking into the pictured face of Mrs. Florence Vance, the brave little woman who won for Indiana the National Press star last year. Little did we think then that in a few short days that dear heart would be called upon to give up its life companion. The death angel took Mr. Vance very suddenly with heart failure. Thus our sister is bereft in her new home in Crawfordsville among strangers. We deeply sympathize with her and the dear little children thus early left fatherless.

Mrs. Opal J. Bowman, one of the District of Columbia Y's, has come to live in New Castle, Henry county, this State. We are delighted to welcome Mrs. Bowman into our Indiana ranks. Mrs. Clinton Smith, President of the District of Columbia, writes a letter congratulating us on our gain and deploring their loss. We need the girls to help us more than we can realize; we shall hope that through Mrs. Bowman's influence some of Henry county's girls will be organized into a Y.

The Christian Citizenship Department, under the wise leadership of Mrs. Almira Staples, our State Superintendent, is surely making itself felt in many communities. Recently the South Bend Presbyterian Missionary Society, with over fifty members, adopted the Christian Citizenship Department and appointed Mrs. Staples Superintendent. Other organizations have arranged for at least two meetings during the year for Christian Citizenship.

Logansport Central, under the auspices of the Flower Mission Department, held a unique entertainment on May 20. The results were \$13.00 in money and four new members. Two young misses asked to be allowed to wear the white ribbon and agreed to take flowers to the sick and sometimes, when opportunity was afforded, to read to the sick. May the time soon come when every Union, W and Y, will seek to enlist young girls in like manner.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Houghton, State and National Evangelist, has returned home after spending some time at work for the Texas W. C. T. U. We welcome her back and commend her to the Unions for most excellent service in special evangelistic meetings. It seems that we need much more of this kind of work now than we are having. Write to Mrs. Houghton, at Richmond, and arrange with her to spend some time in your community.

The World's W. C. T. U. convention will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, in June. Our National Union is allowed one representative for every one thousand paid members, these to be elected by States. Our Indiana delegates will bear their own traveling expenses, but will receive entertainment in the homes of Scotland's famous old city. The following Indiana women will be our delegates: Mrs. Anna Buchanan Logan, Indianapolis; Miss Minerva Tomes, Shelbyville; Miss Ella Coulter, Aurora; Mrs. Putterbaugh, Peru; Miss Hallie MacNiel. Read carefully the accounts of the meetings in the *Union Signal*, for our cause is marching on.

St. Joseph County Conference, held in South Bend, May 22, was well attended and was a great success. Our energetic State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda Whitson, was the leader, and she proved that she not only knows how to successfully manage the finances of the State, but that she is a leader of rare ability as well. The women of South Bend received an uplift and were filled with a renewed determination to push forward the work as never before. While much enthusiasm was imparted to the local workers, the best part of the conference was no doubt the helpful plans proposed for carrying on the work. The plans for organization suggested by Mrs. Whitson met with the approval of the St. Joseph county women, who heartily endorsed them. The leading topics discussed were: Summer Assemblies, Hadley Home, Non-Alcoholic Medication, Evangelistic Work, Medal Contest, L. T. L., Purity Department, Sabbath Observance, Jail and Prison Work and Scientific Temperance. It would be a hard task to sum up the value of this conference, and Mrs. Whitson's services were so much appreciated that we would be glad to welcome her to our county again soon.

Hadley Union, at Little Ridge, Grant county, once a month holds monthly meetings. We are a band of twenty-six loyal, enthusiastic and energetic workers. Our members are mostly mothers, who feel the responsibility of rearing children, and are anxious to aid in any cause for the uplifting of social and home influences. A most interesting mothers' meeting was held at the home Mrs. Nettie Hasty. Our regular meetings are held at our church house, and consist of recitations, select readings, papers and discussions on various interesting subjects. At our last meeting the idea was advanced of preparing ourselves with some kind of exercise, so if necessary each could be a substitute. I think in the country Unions, where attendance is unavoidably irregular, the idea would be a good one to put into practice.

Hamilton County Institute was held at Sheridan. Miss Mary Hadley and Mrs. Phebe Doan, County President, were present as leaders. The first session was small, but a good degree of interest was manifest, the gathering growing larger from session to session. The program was very ably handled by those having charge of the different topics assigned them, discussions of interest resulting in beneficial instruction to all. A silver medal contest was held on the first evening, with an attentive audience, which was very helpful to



the cause financially and we trust that good and lasting results will follow. There were four girls and two boys in the class. Katie Huffman, of Sheridan, received the medal. On the second day we were permitted to have with us the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, who gave us many valuable suggestions along the lines of work. Mrs. Maggie E. Cox gave a very encouraging report of the work being done by the Hadley Industrial School. A Parliamentary Drill was conducted by Miss Hadley. The afternoon was mostly given to county convention work. The reports of Superintendents of departments showed much good work done. The juvenile work was ably and energetically brought before the convention by a paper read by Mrs. Lizzie Henly, of Westfield. There was a gain of 20 new members. Sheridan Union reorganized with Leona B. Doan as President, and 12 of the new members were added to the faithful two who had carried on the work as best they could during the time there was no Union. All were entertained very nicely by the good people of Sheridan and returned home with a fresh inspiration to press on in the good work.

### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.

Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.

Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple



It may be interesting to you to know that our laundry building is almost completed, and we, of course, will be delighted to move into it. It adds much to the appearance of things, and we know that rich will be the reward of the one who so kindly and lovingly gave us the \$500.00 for its erection. We feel very much the loss by death of R. E. Carmack, who has so many years had such great interest in our girls and so many times given them kindly advice. He added to their needs by his benevolence and kindness.

We went over to Plainfield on the 17th of April, twelve miles away, with thirteen of our girls and gave an entertainment for the benefit of our home, our receipts being \$14.90. It was a nice little outing for us. We were royally entertained by the W. C. T. U. of the place. We have some other invitations in the same line which we will accept soon. We are putting out plants and flowers, expecting our lawn to look inviting this summer.

BETTIE PARKER,  
Superintendent.

### TREASURER'S REPORT—MARCH AND APRIL.

#### RECEIPTS.

Upland.....	\$2 45	Broad Ripple.....	\$0 25
Fairmount.....	7 34	Mt. Vernon.....	1 00
Oak Ridge.....	33	Milroy.....	1 42
South Main.....	5 94	Garrett.....	1 00
Marion.....	25	Blanche Stewart...	1 00
North Vernon.....	75	Shelbyville.....	1 64
Michigan City.....	3 40	Petersburg.....	80
Deer Creek.....	1 71	Mrs. Alma Shaw...	1 00
Fairfield.....	4 15	Loan from Mrs.	
Huntington.....	3 15	Ridgeway.....	380 87
New Castle.....	79	Jeffersonville.....	2 25
Bath.....	1 00	Carthage.....	2 77
Thorntown.....	1 67	Dunkirk.....	1 15
Talbot.....	1 35	Fort Wayne.....	4 05
Oxford.....	1 50	Phlox.....	81
Otterbein.....	1 70	Star City.....	1 00
Chapin Park.....	3 00	Honey Creek.....	1 08
Bunker Hill.....	1 00	Boston.....	86
Peru Y's.....	50	Sunman.....	2 00
Camden.....	59	Walnut Ridge.....	5 00
Abbie Trueblood,		Cherubusco.....	3 00
Century Pledge..	6 00	South Wabash.....	2 00
Carmel.....	97	Millgrove.....	2 80
Indianapolis—		Ossian.....	2 52
Meridian.....	2 50	Bloomington.....	1 00
Tarleton.....	1 05	Brazil.....	4 80
North East.....	1 00	Rochester.....	6 46
South East.....	2 00	Wm. Southworth..	1 00
Wallace.....	1 00	Economy.....	1 37
Mapleton.....	3 80		

#### LAUNDRY.

Covington.....	\$5 00
Bloomington.....	5 00
Hadley Union.....	3 42
Alma Shaw.....	2 00
Donation from a friend.....	500 00

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

B. M. Parker.....	\$40 00
Myrtle Davis.....	30 00
Stella Green.....	30 00
Colbert Griffin.....	30 00

F. T. McWhirter on insurance.....	\$15 00
B. M. Parker, applied on laundry.....	100 00
Robert Carmack, cash.....	54 00

#### ADVANCED ON LAUNDRY.

Lumber.....	\$8 59
Stationery.....	6 25
Groceries.....	53 59

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

### HADLEY SCHOOL.

The time of roses and strawberries is with us, and thirty little girls in our home are now revelling in the delights of gathering them and inhaling the fragrance of the flowers while they feast on the juices of the berries. The month of May, with its extremes and caprices, has fled and June, with its longer days and warmer breath, is already here, inviting all to out-door life, for this is the month of all the year best suited to out-door sports and communion with nature. And happy are they who have shady groves and breezy lawns enlivened by the native birds.

A marked change soon comes to the pale cheeks and slender forms of the city girls who come to live with us. One of our troubles just now is, that we have more applications from needy girls, seeking admission to our home, than we can possibly meet.

The new laundry building is a great benefit and we feel grateful to all the dear friends who have helped in its erection.

The leading women of the village of Hadley are taking steps preparatory to organizing a W. C. T. U. union. We rejoice in this movement, believing much good will come to this vicinity from this union.

Also the Hendricks County prohibition organization will hold a rally, on the 4th of July, on the grounds belonging to our home. Our girls are invited to take part in the exercises, which they will gladly do, as they have begun the warfare against intemperance, and do not intend to lay the armor by until rum is routed.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

### PROGRAM FOR W. C. T. U. DAY AT WINONA, JULY 10, 1900.

Meeting to be held in the chapel of the Inn, from 9:00 A. M. until 12 M.

- 9:00. Devotional Exercises, led by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart
- Reading Minutes, by Secretary of Winona Assembly Union, Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.
- Roll Call of Members of Winona Assembly Union, and payment of dues.
- Music, by Cincinnati College of Music.
- 10:00. Address by the President of Winona Assembly Union, Mrs. M. A. Leavitt, Vernon.
- 10:15. Short Addresses, by Mrs. Tompkins, Mrs. Crouse, and Mrs. Cammack-Gibson.
- 10:30. Reading Constitution and By-Laws of Winona Assembly Union and securing new members.
- Election of officers.
- 11:20. Short Addresses, by Mrs. McWhirter, President of the Indiana W. C. T. U., and Mrs. M. E. Balch, Secretary of State W. C. T. U.
- 11:50. Noontide Prayer, Mrs. Julia Trish.
- 12:00. Adjournment.

Afternoon meeting in the Auditorium, from 2 P. M. until 5 P. M.

- 2:00. Invocation and Short Scripture Selection, by Mrs. M. O. Cammack-Gibson, Recording Secretary of State W. C. T. U.
- Music.
- 2:20. Original Poem, by President of Winona Assembly Union, Mrs. Leavitt.
- 2:30. Address, by Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, President of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana.
- 3:20. Diamond Medal Contest, conducted by Mrs. M. E. Balch, Corresponding Secretary of Indiana W. C. T. U.
- 4:40. Music, or short address while Judges are deciding.
- 5:00. Awarding of Medal, Benediction and Adjournment.

### TREASURER'S REPORT—JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH.

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance from last quarter.....	\$53 56
Sale of State Minutes.....	20 95
" Scarf Pins and Buttons.....	5 70
" Record Books.....	15
" Pictures.....	3 00
" Pocket Manual of Parliamentary Rules.....	60
" Sheet Music.....	1 80
" Tobacco Cards.....	1 25
Convention fund for Local Committee.....	50
Life Membership, Mrs. S. M. Stevens, LaFayette.	25 00
National Organization Fund, Richmond Willard Union.....	2 00
Department Fund, Marion Union.....	2 00
Donations to Paris Exposition Fund.....	16 50
State dues.....	668 35
Total.....	\$801 36

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

To Helen Barker, Paris Exposition fund.....	\$16 00
" Pocket Manuals of Parliamentary Law.....	6 00
" Printing tobacco and anti-cigarette cards.....	8 00

To printing Corresponding Secretary's report blanks.....	\$9 75
" " Treasurer's remittance blanks.....	1 25
" " Blanket report blanks.....	38 00
" " Circular letters.....	2 50
" " for Institute Work.....	21 50
" " Secretary's Record Books.....	8 00
" " Balance on State Minutes.....	200 00
Sheet Music.....	2 05
For County's Life Membership for S. M. Stevens	5 00
" Local Union's " " "	10 00
White Ribbon Hymnals for Mid-Year Executive.....	1 40
Literature.....	1 50
Organization by M. A. Tompkins.....	11 18
Willard pins and buttons.....	2 75
Telegrams and expressage.....	3 24
Central Committee Meeting Expenses.....	2 00
National Organization Fund by Richmond Willard Union.....	2 00
Framing Life Membership Certificates.....	80
State President's appropriation.....	15 00
" " postage.....	12 35
" " supplies.....	55
" " car fare.....	50
" Corresponding Sec'y's appropriation.....	90 00
" " postage.....	43 18
" " supplies.....	4 90
" " car fare.....	3 30
" Recording Secretary's appropriation.....	5 00
" " postage.....	3 18
" " supplies.....	1 50
" Treasurer's appropriation.....	30 00
" " postage.....	14 43
" " supplies.....	1 00
" " car fare.....	90
L. T. L. dues to National Treasurer.....	5 87
Y dues to State Y Secretary.....	24 48
National dues to National Treasurer.....	133 67
Balance in treasury.....	58 63
Total.....	\$801 36

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

### TAKE NOTICE.

To the local Treasurers of Unions organized since Feb. 1, 1900, we offer the following premiums: If you will collect full dues from every charter member and forward 70 cents of the same to the County Treasurer for State and County dues by the 15th of June, we will present to you a free yearly subscription to the MESSAGE and Signal. The charter members are those that gave their names as members the day your Union was organized and does not include honorary members.

In addition to this we offer to Unions organized since Feb. 1, 1900, the following: If full dues are collected from every charter member and for as many more additional new members during this quarter and 70 cents of each due be sent to your County Treasurer by the 15th of June, for State and County dues, the State will give you two days' work by Mrs. Hattie Brand, State Organizer, for expenses and entertainment only. If county is unorganized, send the 70 cents to the State Treasurer.

Let me urge every member of your Union to give one day between this and the 15th of June to the securing of new members and secure both premiums. Let me earnestly ask each county officer to visit your new Union and give it a helping hand right now. Will your Union be one of the number that secures one or both premiums?

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

An Oratorical Contest for a silver medal will be held at Grace M. E. Church, Indianapolis, June 15, at 8 P. M. Urge your neighbors' young people to accompany you to this contest.

Blanks were sent to County Treasurers May 31. If Local Treasurers have not received the local blanks notify your County Treasurer by first mail, that others may be sent.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

Hurrah for the new Union at Knightstown, Henry County. Seventeen charter members and nineteen members have paid full dues and reported. Who next?

**South Bend Y.** The second one of the course of lectures on Social Purity given under the auspices of the Y. W. C. T. U. was delivered by Miss Eva Hill (drawing teacher), at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

The first lecture was given by Miss Maggie Brennen, Matron of the Epworth Hospital. Subject, "Care of the Body." Miss Hill spoke on Sea-Force. Some of the thoughts presented were, self-analysis as to the why's and wherefore's of the inner life, the spirit life, also be yourself what you want your neighbor to be. Her thoughts were beautiful and worthy of the deepest consideration and considered equal with some professors who have made it a life study.

This lecture, with others, will be printed in pamphlet form and any person wishing a copy can have it by sending ten cents to address below.

AGNES BUTTS,  
Press Superintendent.

728 Park Ave., South Bend, Ind.

The conference of the State Superintendents, at LaFayette, June 12, 13, 14, in the West Side M. E. Church, promises to be of great interest and lasting benefit to the cause. There will be an oratorical contest on the first evening. On the second evening an address by Rev. Enfield on Political Economy, followed by Mrs. Helen Gougar on Franchise.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1899-1900.

*President*—Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.  
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*Recording Secretary*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
*Treasurer*—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## BRANCH SECRETARIES.

*General Secretary Young Woman's Branch*—Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 West 14th street, Anderson.  
*General Secretary L. T. L. Branch*—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

## I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

*Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.*  
*Organizers*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1407 Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work*—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.  
*Work Among Colored People*—Mrs. Lottie Searls, Wabash.  
*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.  
*Scientific Temperance Work*—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Ave., Indianapolis.  
*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.  
*The Press*—Mrs. Florence Vance, Frankfort.  
*Purity*—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.  
 Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, Lecturer, LaFayette.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
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## NEW UNIONS.

As a result of the heroic work of some County Presidents and the Institute workers this spring we have many new Unions. These should have been visited by every county officer before July 1. The County Superintendents will greatly help their departments and the cause by visiting the new Unions. Please consider how much effort has been expended to organize the Unions, and if this was done without your help, then I am sure your loyalty to the cause and to God will urge you to do much toward helping the work done to become a permanent source of good in your county. To help a newly organized Union to get enthusiastically to work against the common foes of our homes and of Christ will enable you to claim a part in the blessing promised her who has done what she could. Consider this well, and I think you will be convinced that if there has been a Union organized in your county that you have a responsibility in helping the membership to become informed upon the plans and purposes of the W. C. T. U.

## MRS. STANLEY IN CLINTON COUNTY.

It rained four days almost incessantly, yet between showers our women somehow managed to rally the clans and present a very creditable army.

Clinton County women are well drilled. They have been waging an aggressive warfare in that county and have closed the saloons of Circleville and Sedalia, but Frankfort saloons were really benefited by it. I have little confidence in local prohibition, especially when it costs the temperance people so much to secure it. We secured thirty-eight new members for the W. C. T. U. in Clinton county; that means thirty-eight consecrated souls who are not afraid to stand out on the firing line in this battle for the home.

Decoration Day was beautiful. The G. A. R., of Albany, Delaware county, had employed the writer for the address on that sacred day, and we were glad to have an opportunity of talking with an organization of men who know what it cost this country in the past to compromise with wrong and tolerate the national sin of human slavery.

The time draws near when the final blow will be struck for the freedom of the alcoholic slaves, the industrial slaves and the "female" slaves. Yes, we will live to celebrate the "new emancipation." Courage, dear tired heart, the Lincoln who shall sign the proclamation of freedom lives to-day, perhaps not in Indiana, but he lives in a State where patriots are born of free mothers.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

If one time above another is worse for Sabbath desecration it surely is the summer months, when excursions and Sunday picnics are numerous; when people make the Sabbath a holiday instead of a holy day. Shame! Shame on our American people and especially the Christian part trampling God's laws under our feet.

David said, "open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of the law." Now that we have seen and do know his law says, remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy, and this means do not forget, which some seem to have done.

Our State and Nation makes laws to protect a rest day, which, if violated, brings us under condemnation of the law. God gives us a law to protect both a work and a holy day, and a violation of that brings one under condemnation. Sin is the transgression of the law. Sow a thought and you reap an act; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny. Let us sow good seed beside still waters. This we can do by distributing literature. The Sabbath Observance department has more kinds of leaflets than any other line of work. They are suited to all occasions. Will not the superintendents do their duty and get them before the people? Let me get a full report from each one. Our National Superintendent has offered a prize to the state having the greatest number of superintendents. Why not let Missouri have it?

S. E. HUDSON,  
State Superintendent, Missouri W. C. T. U.

A program for Red Seal Evening, in the interests of the L. T. L. room in the National Temperance Hospital, will be sent on application free of charge. All L. T. L. leaders are urged to use it. Address, Alice M. Guernsey, Custodian L. T. L. Hospital Fund, 17 Webster Place, East Orange, N. J.

The editor of the MESSAGE has received a beautifully printed card which contains the following, the name only being written:

*Woman's Christian Temperance Union, South Whitley, Indiana, Greeting:*

To all our friends, though far and near,  
 We crave your kind attention;  
 So please to lend us now your ear  
 While we a subject mention.  
 The ladies of this union hold,  
 On a day not distant far,  
 If we have been correctly told,  
 A "Handkerchief Bazaar."

So this, then, is our plea in brief,  
 To help our enterprise,  
 You each shall send a handkerchief,  
 Of any kind or size  
 To be without a handkerchief,  
 You know is quite distressing.  
 From every State let one be sent,  
 'Twill surely be a blessing.

Please send by June 20, 1900. Sent by Mrs. Ehna Emerson.

## WHO IS KING?

While a tyrant still enchains us  
 In the fetters of our woe;  
 While wrecked and ruined victims  
 Through the land reel to and fro,  
 Shall we sit in mute submission  
 'Neath his base, oppressive sway,  
 When God's purpose points to conflict,  
 And His Heralds lead the way?

No! Ten thousand gentle voices—  
 Over land and over sea,  
 Are responding to the summons,—  
 They are saying, "Lord, send me!"  
 "We are called; and we are coming!"  
 —An army starred with white!  
 Afar, our snowy emblems,  
 "Are gleaming through the night!"

But the night wears a silver wing,  
 And stars are a-glow with cheer;  
 For we know our Mighty Helper  
 Is most surely drawing near!  
 Yes: we know that He is coming,  
 All His healing help to bring!  
 And that He,—He only, reigneth!  
 And the Rum Power is not King!

MARY A. LEAVITT.

## LIQUOR SOLD TO OUR BOYS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The sale of intoxicating liquors in the army canteen is in defiance of the following action of Congress:

SECTION 17. That no officer or private soldier shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks, as a bartender or otherwise, in any post, exchange or canteen, nor shall any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States; and the Secretary of War is hereby directed to issue such general order as may be necessary to carry the provisions of this Section into full force and effect.

SECTION 18. That all laws or parts of laws which conflict with these provisions of this Act are hereby repealed. (Passed the Senate Feb. 27, 1899.)

When the Secretary of War issued the general order as required, all liquor selling stopped. Then U. S. Attorney General Griggs, by request (liquor element), gave his interpretation of this law to be that no soldier should be detailed to sell liquor, but that citizens could be employed for this purpose. An order went forth again which allowed the sale of liquor just the same as before the passage of the law, the difference being it was dealt out by a citizen as bartender.

As Commander-in-Chief of the army President McKinley was appealed to by representatives of many organizations. In response he said he would consider the subject. Finally when great pressure came upon him, he said the Attorney General's decision would have to stand. He thus allows the law passed by Congress to become a dead letter. The will of the best element of the United States was expressed plainly in petitions for such a law.

The force of these facts has become so powerful that the subject will become an issue in the campaign this fall. Wm. McKinley, the tool of the liquor element, will again be the president of the United States notwithstanding the efforts of the National Republican committee to supply the Associated Press with items like the following:

"Chaplain Chas. C. Pierce of the United States Army, has testified to the Adjutant General on the very beneficial effects that followed the establishment of the army canteen."

White Ribboners arise in your womanhood and cry out against this.

White Ribboners, get all the information possible about this affair, then tell it, urge your ministers to preach against the canteen liquor selling, suggest the subject for prayer meetings, agitate, agitate! Send for information to Hon. John G. Woolley, *New Voice*, 315 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill. Those of you who can do so, speak against it in public. Everybody talk about the facts at home and in every place possible.

We must help to bring the crisis for right, for respect for law and for protection for the boys in camp in our own and other countries and in the islands under our control. Will you help? Will the girls help?

## IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. W. E. Alexander, Superintendent of Literature of the Bedford W. C. T. U., was called from labor to reward April 4, 1900. She was a member of the W. C. T. U. for many years, filling many of the offices of the organization very faithfully. She was loyal to the cause of temperance and everything that is right. She was sympathetic, truthful and a devoted Christian mother and wife. This is the second one of our White Ribbon sisters who has been called home in less than a month, so our Union is deeply afflicted. Heaven has gained another angel at the great white throne and we are left to emulate her goodness.



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## ATTENTION! ATTENTION!!

Dear White Ribbon sisters, will we consider and act wisely and not allow one hour's time to go to waste during the time of this visit? Miss Margaret Winter, Austin station, Chicago, Ill., will give Indiana August 18 to 31, in the interest of the L. T. L. branch. Terms, \$5.00 per day; \$8.00 for two days, \$12.00 for three days and railroad expenses and entertainment. Will hold afternoon and evening meetings, those for children preferred in the afternoon. Union mass meeting for children Sunday afternoon, Union Gospel Temperance meeting for Sunday night, chalk talks for children and adults. Write at once for dates. First come first served and the time is very limited.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## OUR GIRLS.

There are thirty girls at our Hadley Industrial school. The brightest, most loving and lovable girls that could be there. Dear Mrs. Parker, our Superintendent, says they are all good. There is not one of the number that shows envy, malice or a spiteful disposition. The older girls, aged about fourteen, are kind and considerate of the little girls, giving them the preference in true sisterly fashion. Could you look into their sweet faces and listen to them tell what union sends them there, I am sure if you were a member of such a union you would rejoice in your heart for the little you had done. Those dear children look upon the W. C. T. U. that sends their clothing as a foster mother. I asked some of them to write letters to their unions and was surprised at some who said they didn't know to whom to write. Of course Mrs. Parker knew—but I really think each dear little girl would enjoy knowing the names of those who care for her. One little girl said, can you tell me who to write to in the union that sends me? I said, yes. Then she asked if I would address an envelope for her if she would run and get it. It was a pleasure to write the address of a mother hearted woman whom I knew would respond to the place in that child's affections.

The unions furnish the clothing for the girls, consequently they are all dressed differently. If the committee in each union having in charge the making of the clothes could know what an advantage it is to see a girl with her dress the right length and neatly made, I feel sure that there would be much pains taken to get the correct waist measure, the correct length of the sleeves and skirt. These could be obtained of Mrs. Parker. The girls are taught to be neat and keep their clothes in good repair. They take much pride in combing their hair and making the best appearance possible. Most of them are provided with hair ribbons, but some have washed and pressed theirs until they are unsightly. Some of them have white dresses and take care of them. I long for each mother and father who reads these lines to see and know our girls. Among them all, not a face but what you would love, not a girl that does not respond appreciatingly to all favors received. If you have books or pictures that have pleased you and you can spare them send to our girls. They take pride in arranging their rooms; some of them do not so much as have picture cards for this purpose.

The sitting room is large, with great west and north windows. Has a fire grate and nice mantel. It would indeed be made cheerful and home-like with pictures for the wall, a table for the center of the room and magazines, newspapers and games for the girls for the long winter evenings. Now the walls are nearly bare, the furniture is meager and the appearance is somewhat cheerless. Rugs are badly needed in the library and reception room; almost any size can be used. The dining room walls are entirely bare, the supply of linen is limited, the knives and forks are mostly steel with wooden handles and necessitate much effort to keep them nice. The supply of glass dishes and nice dishes is very small. The need of something for face and dish tueling is very great.

To teach the girls to do nice dining room service and clean systematic kitchen work some things are absolutely essential; not expensive linen, dishes and tueling, but a sufficient amount to work with. Flower vases are made of fruit jars, etc. Inexpensive bouquet holders well filled, would greatly add to the appearance of the rooms and the dining table.

Could I give you a picture of the girls at work in the garden among the fruit and in the house you would feel satisfied of their willingness to work, their anxiety to please and their appreciation of their home. None of the girls are grown; most of them are small.

I hope that the Y girls and W's will look about their homes and decide to send a box of such articles as they think would be a pleasure and of service to our girls. Anything that girls use and enjoy would be greatly appreciated by them. Some of them have few, if any ribbons, handkerchiefs or toilet articles. A subscription to a magazine or newspaper would be more appreciated than you can imagine. The girls tell me that every word in the MESSAGE is read by all

the older girls. When it comes there is a scramble for it. When you consider that they are out on a farm with little communication with other people, you will understand how much they live together without the interchange of experience and information from other homes.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

By the action of Prof. Atwater, the subject of temperance in our public schools has assumed gigantic proportions in all parts of our country. His theories have been most heartily welcomed and endorsed by the enemies of total abstinence. His unproved assertions, claiming to be founded upon scientific experiment, have caught the attention of the indifferent, who have largely accepted them as facts. On the other hand, many of our most able physicians and scientists have taken some time from their busy lives to expose the fallacy of his reasoning. It is of the utmost importance that temperance workers, whatever their special departments may be, should be diligent in studying the merits of this question and enthusiastic in refuting the false reasoning which has been sent broadcast over our nation. The children of our public schools, if once fully under the teaching of any of the "authorized physiologies," would become an immense national L. T. L. with a power for good that can not be estimated.

The present interruption to this work bears the impress of our arch enemy. Shall we cease our efforts while it continues? We have as our national head in this department, one who emphatically says no; and acts accordingly. What can we who should be her hands and her feet do to further her efforts? Each state has its peculiar hindrances to this educational work. Indiana has a comparatively weak law; but if it were conscientiously enforced it would be an important factor in securing total abstinence for the present and coming generation. The greatest obstacle to this is found in the kind of physiology used in our state. I beg you all to examine carefully Jenkin's Physiology, both the large and small work and see how much (or rather how little), scientific temperance our children will get from them. Then secure copies of the Blaisdell series, or Appletons, or The Eclectic and see how much and how beautifully arranged the subject matter is, for both pupil and teacher.

Very much to my chagrin and disappointment our State Board of Education has adopted the same book for another three years. It does not fulfill the requirements of our law; ignoring the spirit of it and the intent of those who framed it. Can we not, by teachers who are in sympathy with our work and through friends and constituents of the members of our State Board, induce them to have these physiologies revised to meet the requirements of the law? I understand they were adopted "subject to revision." Will not each union, local and county, make a special effort during the next two months to create sentiment in favor of this? I urge you to examine these books and act promptly and earnestly in this matter, that we may accomplish something before the beginning of another school year.

I have taken from the *Union Signal* the parallel drawn between "Alcohol and Food," and have had it printed in leaflet form, which I offer for sale in packages of 100 at 30 cents each and postage. I hope that superintendents and presidents of unions will secure these for distribution. Prepared, as this was, by Professor Winfield S. Hall, M. D., of the Northwestern Medical college, Chicago, it is thoroughly reliable, and gives the results of scientific investigation in language easily understood by the unscientific.

Trusting that the opposition we have met with in this department will only increase our zeal, I am, Yours, most sincerely, for the good of our cause,

MARTHA W. BOND,  
State Superintendent.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

In the June MESSAGE there appeared an article written by Mrs. S. E. Hudson, State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance for Missouri W. C. T. U. In closing her article she says: "Our National Superintendent has offered a prize to the state having the greatest number of superintendents," and then she adds, "why not let Missouri have it?"

We would like to say to the State Superintendent of Missouri that we would just as soon see her state get it as any other state, but Indiana is in the race and you know Indiana has a reputation for getting what she wants.

Superintendents, don't think of resting during the warm months. If there is any time in all the year that we should be active it is during July and August, while so many excursions, picnics, ball games, etc., are going on. And now, while your ministers are absent on vacation, is a good time to secure your church for a mass meeting. Many churches would be glad to open their doors to you. Get representative men and women to speak on such subjects as Sunday excursions. There are enough railroads to

encircle the earth six times and nearly all of these roads are covered with Sunday trains. The railway conductors, 22,000 in number, have appealed to the public that they shall desist from Sunday travel so that they may have a day to be with their families; the Brotherhood of Trainmen, 31,000, and the railway telegraphers, 25,000, are all pleading for a day when traffic shall cease so that they may have a day of rest as well as we. Other subjects which may be treated are Sunday baseball, Sunday amusements, the postoffice, Sunday papers and a host of others, which, together with some lively songs, would make a good meeting.

Many church members are Sabbath breakers through thoughtlessness and so it is that public worship is becoming more neglected, while the Sunday is becoming more and more secularized. We need not be either pharisaic nor puritanical in our view of what Sunday involves; we must not burden it with a lot of petty regulations, but it should be made the happiest and best day in all the week. Especially should it be made so for the children. The Lord's day ought to be a bright day, a very sun-day.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

## FRANCHISE.

Secretary Long of the Navy has well said, that the opposition to the enfranchisement of women is "a slowly melting glacier of bourbonism and prejudice," and we say the melting of the glacier is going steadily on and when it reaches the necessary point the women of Indiana will vote. Nearly every paper in the state is willing to publish the news of women's advancement. The *Chicago Legal News* has published Judge Bradwell's article on "women lawyers of Illinois," biographical sketches of ninety women who have been admitted to the Illinois bar, since Mrs. Myra Bradwell made her application in 1869 and was refused because she was a woman.

Governor Thomas, of Colorado, has just set forth his ideas on woman suffrage in these words: "I have said that I support the cause of woman suffrage, not because I thought it would work the political regeneration of the country, but because I believe it was a woman's due to vote, if she desired to do so. I have also said, and I reiterate, that the enfranchisement of Colorado women has in many ways benefited the state—that it was a decided advance and that I trusted that other states, in emulation of our example, would soon give the right to women throughout the land."

Dear women of the W. C. T. U. of Indiana, I could fill the MESSAGE with testimony just as good as to the growth and value of franchise for women as the preceding, but I'm only going to say that much work must be done; *very earnest work*. Will the franchise superintendents, county and local, finish the petition work and send them to me soon? Gather up the cash to help in our legislative work and persuade every editor in your county to publish news on the subject of equal privileges, industrial, educational and legal. Whoever sends to me for articles along these lines will be immediately furnished with them.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## BREAD AND BEER.

"Bread is strength; beer is weakness." There are in the United States every year about 65,000,000 bushels of grain used in making beer. The grain will weigh on an average about 53 pounds per bushel, which will make forty pounds of flour and sixty pounds of bread, so that the 65,000,000 bushels of grain would make 3,900,000,000 loaves of bread that will weigh one pound each. If we employ 100 bakers to bake this bread and each man can bake 100 loaves every hour, working ten hours a day, it will take the 100 bakers 107 years to bake the whole batch and have them work 365 days in a year.—*Western Christian Advocate*.

If Indiana keeps the National White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner next year it will mean heroic efforts on the part of those who collect dues. Every member counts. We have made gains this year in nearly all parts of the State, but in order to again win the banner we must make the greatest gain of any State in the Nation. Will you help? Will you kindly speak to a neighbor or friend about how we need her efforts to help us in our great struggle for freedom for our homes from the rule of rum? Urge her to consider this. Explain to her how we, as an organization, include all reform lines of work; in fact, everything that pertains to the betterment of the conditions of humanity. Through the departments of work under the main divisions of Organization, Evangelistic, Educational, Preventive, Social and Legal, we seek to reach all phases of reform. We need more women and girls to help us. Will you bear this in mind and in your home, your church and your neighborhood seek to arouse women and girls to realize their influence and our need of them to help us bring the crisis when the tyrant Alcohol shall be dethroned? Will you help?



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*L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work*—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.  
*Work Among Colored People*—Mrs. Lottie Searls, Wabash.  
*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.  
*Scientific Temperance Work*—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Ave., Indianapolis.

*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Etta Ayres, Upland, Grant County.  
*The Press*—Mrs. Florence Vance, Crawfordsville.  
*Purity*—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.

Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, Lecturer, LaFayette.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
*Mothers' Meetings*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Anti-Narcotics*—Miss Zella Miller, Martinsville.

*Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Homes and Homeless Children*—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, 72 West Main street, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.

*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
*Relation of Temperance to Labor, and Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.

*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.

*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.

IV. EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.  
*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Hebron.  
*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 N. 8th St., LaFayette.  
*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.

*Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Ellen Denny, Vincennes.

*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.

*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Anna Carr, 439 W. 11th St., Anderson.  
*State and County Fair*—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.

COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

*Adams County*—Mrs. Rose Hamma, Geneva.  
*Allen County*—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
*Bartholomew County*—Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope.  
*Benton County*—Miss Eliza Baker, Otterbein.  
*Blackford County*—Mrs. W. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Boone County*—Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thornton.  
*Carroll County*—Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora.  
*Cass County*—Mrs. Esther Grable, Logansport.  
*Clark County*—Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.  
*Clinton County*—Mrs. Emma Saylor, 604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort.  
*Crawford County*—Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton.  
*Dearborn County*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*Decatur County*—Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.  
*DeKalb County*—Mrs. L. C. Jones, Garrett.  
*Delaware County*—Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, Eaton.  
*Dubois County*—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.  
*Elkhart County*—Mrs. Laura Phoenix, Middlebury.  
*Floyd County*—Mrs. Dr. Jones, 921 Pearl St., New Albany.  
*Franklin County*—Mrs. Maggie Smith, Bath.  
*Fulton County*—Mrs. Dr. Shafer, Rochester.  
*Grant County*—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.  
*Hamilton County*—Mrs. Phebe L. Doan, Westfield.  
*Hancock County*—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
*Henry County*—Mrs. S. A. R. Boor, New Castle.  
*Howard County*—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
*Huntington County*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, 32 Salamonie avenue, Huntington.

*Jay County*—Mrs. Gertrude Fulton, Portland.  
*Johnson County*—Mrs. Anna Alexander, Whiteland.  
*Knox County*—Mrs. Arrie Polk, Freelandville.  
*Lake County*—Mrs. Alice M. Sohl, Hammond.  
*LaPorte County*—Mrs. Lydia Worthley, Michigan City.  
*Madison County*—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexander.  
*Marian County*—Mrs. M. L. Gipe, 1730 Broadway, Indianapolis.  
*Marshall County*—Mrs. E. H. Blain, Plymouth.  
*Martin County*—Miss Susie Major, Loogootee.  
*Miami County*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru.  
*Morgan County*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Newton County*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Parke County*—Miss Ida Cox, Coloma.  
*Perry County*—Mrs. Helen Shank, Rome.  
*Posey County*—Mrs. Eva Everson, Mt. Vernon.  
*Randolph County*—Mrs. G. W. Ross, Union City.  
*Ripley County*—Mrs. J. Thackery, Sunman.  
*Rush County*—Mrs. India Smith, Milroy.  
*Spencer County*—Mrs. E. C. Graham, Rockport.  
*St. Joseph County*—Mrs. Daisy Shoutz, 1201 W. Washington Street, South Bend.  
*Steuben County*—Mrs. Hannah Willennar, Pleasant Lake.  
*Tippacanoe County*—Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, 240 S. Grant Street, LaFayette.  
*Union County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.  
*Vigo County*—Mrs. Emma Joice, 1214 N. 11th St., Terre Haute.  
*Wayne County*—Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
*Washington County*—Mrs. Mary Overman, Salem.  
*Whitley County*—Mrs. Mina Squires, Churubusco.  
*Warrick County*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Newburg.  
*Wabash County*—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.  
*Wells County*—Mrs. Julia Thurber, Ossian.  
*White County*—Mrs. L. J. Horner, Monon.

## SUPERINTENDENTS' CONFERENCE.

The mid-year convention of the State Superintendents of Department Work of the W. C. T. U. was held in the West Side M. E. church, LaFayette, Ind., June 12, 13 and 14. Mrs. S. C. Curtiss presided. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Anna Kilmer, of Peru, superintendent of Work Among Foreigners.

The secretary not being present, Dr. Jessup Smith, of Wabash, was appointed in her place.

Mrs. Fannie Green was appointed to report for the *MESSAGE* and some one for the *Union Signal*. After these preliminaries, an animated discussion on finance filled the next half hour. The convention then adjourned for dinner, which was served by the three unions of LaFayette, in the basement of the church.

The devotional services in the afternoon were conducted by Mrs. E. M. Houghton, of Richmond, Ind., and were participated in by all present.

Mrs. Kilmer read a paper on "Work Among the Foreigners," interspersed with comments in her own inimitable manner, which was very interesting to the listeners.

Mrs. E. D. Hardy, of Goodland, gave a parliamentary drill in a very able manner, which proved a pleasant variation from the regular routine. This was followed by a report on railroad work by Mrs. J. B. Sucece, which brought out an animated discussion.

In the evening, after impressive devotional service, led by Mrs. E. M. Houghton, the convention was cordially welcomed by Mrs. S. C. Curtiss. The response, by Mrs. S. M. Shelt, was appropriate and interesting. A matrons' oratorical contest was held under the direction of Mrs. Ada Leck, of Indianapolis. The contestants were: Mrs. Emma Saylor, Frankfort; Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash; Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Hebron and Mrs. Ella Wright, Greensburg. After careful deliberation, the prize was awarded to Mrs. Kidd.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 13.

Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Kate Wert Holler, of South Bend.

The first hour was consumed in a discussion on recommending an amendment of the Constitution, so as to make the superintendents members of the executive board. The matter was laid over.

Dr. Jessup Smith read an ably-written paper on "Non-Alcoholic Medication."

"Temperance Literature" was presented in a paper by Mrs. Etta Ayres, of Upland.

Mrs. Harriet Kidd talked on "Labor, Law and Statistics," confining her remarks mostly to statistics, as the time limit would not permit the analysis of the entire subject.

There was not time for discussing these papers and talks in the manner they merited.

At the close of the morning exercises Mrs. Curtiss read a very interesting communication from the King's Sons and Daughters of the Lake region and a telegram of greeting and encouragement from Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, State President, who, said, she was disappointed at not being permitted to be with us.

In the afternoon, devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Shelt, after which Rev. Frank Levering, missionary to India, taking a year's rest in his home in LaFayette, gave a short talk on the famine in India.

This was followed by a paper of deep interest on "Mothers' Meetings," by Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City. Mrs. Ada Leck presented the "Scientific Temperance Department" in place of Mrs. Pleasant Bond, who could not be present. After this, Mrs. S. E. Curtiss was requested to talk on "Social Purity," which she presented most ably.

The Evangelistic Department was next presented by Mrs. E. M. Houghton in a very effective and capable manner, after which Mrs. Shelt told the convention of having met a surgeon just returned from the Philippines, who told her that the natives of those islands made, drank and sold on every corner an intoxicant containing a most deadly poison and that it was death to our soldiers.

Wednesday evening an able address was given on "Political Equality," by Rev. Enfield, pastor of the Christian church, LaFayette, which was followed by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, on "Franchise" in a masterly manner. A pleasing feature of the evening was a solo by Mrs. Pavley, of LaFayette.

THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 14.

Devotional exercises by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins. A few well-timed remarks by the President was followed by the reading of the minutes and the treasurer's report.

A motion was then made and carried that a committee be appointed to ask that the board be given a half day at the state convention. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins was made chairman of that committee.

Dr. Coulton, of Purdue University, was introduced and gave a most excellent talk on "Mercy," which was brimful of noble ideas eloquently expressed.

"Unfermented Wine" was the subject of an able paper by Mrs. J. R. Wood, of Indianapolis, after which Mrs. Ada Leck, the newly-elected State Fair Superintendent, filled Mrs. Colten's place on state and county fairs.

The convention closed its session at the noon hour, after spending a most profitable season in conference.

## IS THIS CHRISTIANITY?

Some ladies distressed by the prevalent cruelty to birds and beasts, requested the ministers of their city to preach on the sin of cruelty and on kindness, Christ's imperative rule of life. All but one refused. In two other cities the same request was unanimously rejected. In a fourth, one minister responded, "Rats!" and a church periodical echoed it. In a fifth city, a leading pastor frankly replied, "I do not think that I know how to preach a Mercy sermon."

A minister, who did preach justice and mercy, and who applied christian principles to man's treatment of animals, was criticised by a fellow clergyman, thus: "I am surprised that Rev. Smith has given up saving souls and gone to saving bull-dogs."

Cruelty to animals and birds is appalling, as all may see who choose to look. An editor of national fame has said, "I believe the curse of God is upon us because of our dreadful abuse of dumb animals."

Dear sister, what does the Lord require of thee but to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with thy God? Ruskin says, "He who is not actively kind is cruel." Will you not then be active? Resolve that a better report is sent in to the Mercy Department Superintendent than ever before. Resolve to win one of the two prizes I offer this year. One dollar's worth of literature to the Superintendent organizing or having organized the most Bands of Mercy having the largest aggregate membership. Also, fifty cents worth of literature to the Superintendent who secures the most names to the Bird Pledge. Let every one try and the effort will help hasten the coming of Christ's kingdom on earth.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

**Selma Union** was organized February, 1900, and is prospering under the following officers: Mrs. John Good, President; Mrs. John Huffman, Vice-President; Mrs. Kate A. Orr, Secretary; Miss Laura McCall, Assistant Secretary; Mrs. A. O. Kiger, Treasurer; Mrs. Allie Hanna, Corresponding Secretary. The Superintendents of different departments are doing good work. The meetings are very interesting.



## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

July 21st, our Indiana L. T. L. Fresh Air Mission Day, has been made by the National a red letter day for the L. T. L., known as L. T. L. membership day.

The July *Young Crusader* contains an excellent article on how to observe the day, suggesting that we observe the week, July 15-21. Ask the pastors to preach an L. T. L. sermon, or where this is impracticable arrange for a young peoples' temperance mass meeting Sabbath afternoon, inviting all the Sabbath schools and young peoples' societies to participate. Monday at the house to house canvass for new members, begin—have the legioners meet at various homes each evening to observe our L. T. L. hour of sunset prayer. Let us combine the National idea with our own by an effort to increase the membership and to acquaint the public with our work during the week and ending with a grand L. T. L. picnic or rally on the 21st. Make it possible for the poor and such who seldom have a day's outing to attend, inmates of your orphan's home and poor asylum, and others. Ask each Legioner to try to earn money for the payment of annual dues this week, and send the L. T. L. dues, for infant grade, junior or senior grades to my address.

Let each leader make an earnest effort to have their Legion send in their dues soon. We want our year for the L. T. L. dues to close with the books of our State W. C. T. U., September 25th. To the Legion paying the greatest amount of dues will be given the custody of the beautiful Willard Gordon banner which Kokomo won last year and to the Legion paying second greatest amount of dues will be presented a large picture of Miss Willard. To Legions paying \$5.00 dues two copies of *Young Crusader* and for \$3.00 one copy of the same. Infant grade dues to be counted in and all L. T. L. dues to be sent to K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

In the infant grade are to be enrolled children from their birth to six years of age, by the payment of 10 cents annual dues, six cents of which is to be used in local work, purchasing enrollment cards, record books and literature suitable for mothers and young children and four cents to be sent to my address as State and National L. T. L. dues, thus making it possible for each child to belong to the growing army of the Loyal Temperance Legion and to give, to help carry gospel temperance to the babies of all lands. The enrollment card will make a precious souvenir for the child, to be a constant reminder that from their birth, in many cases, they were dedicated to a life of purity and temperance. "Make a chain, for the land is full of bloody crimes and the city of violence."

Let us enlist thousands of babies in the first link of our temperance chain—it can be done—it ought to be done—house to house visitations—heart to heart talks with mothers. Make them feel your call is not so much for the dime as to co-operate with them in making it easy for their child to do right and hard for it to do wrong. Leave with each one, if possible, one of the annual leaflets and some of our best department literature. Send to my address for infant grade supplies. Five cents each for enrollment cards, five cents for record book and five cents for samples and recommendations of literature suitable for circulating among mothers. I will be glad to send to any one who writes me for and agrees to make and fill a foundation block for our L. T. L. autograph silk crazy quilt, with full instructions. KATHRIN T. A. STRAW, General L. T. L. Branch Secretary.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Broad Ripple



Many good temperance people of Hendricks county spent July Fourth in the grove on our Hadley Industrial School farm just east of the main building.

The speakers' stand was well arranged with a large platform and decorated with bright-colored flowers. Seats were provided for the people. At an early hour in the morning the buggies began to arrive and continued to come until late in the afternoon.

Miss Hobart, President of the Board of Trustees of the school, had charge of the morning program and Mr. Solomon Hayworth managed that of the afternoon.

The speakers were, Mr. Hayworth, Mrs. Louisa Rush of Marion, one of the Trustees, Mrs. M. E. Balch, State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. F. McWhirter, State President, Dr. Pretlow of Thorntown and Rev. Appleby, of Coatsville.

The music was furnished by a good quartette and by our Industrial School girls. The girls gave a patriotic drill and sang "America" with excellent effect.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

## RECEIPTS FOR MAY.

Auburn.....	\$1.20
Montpelier.....	1.26
Robert Carmack, for laundry.....	25 00
Greensburg.....	10 00

## EXPENSES.

Work and material on laundry.....	\$250.00
Lucretia Hobart, expenses for 1899.....	31.15
C. J. Hanners, on salary.....	210.00
Hadley and Carter, old debt.....	29 10
Record books.....	1.20

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

From the third quarter report blanks we have learned many new and interesting things about our Y's and will tell you some of the good things. In the first place I want our girls to know that we are falling below our mark in dues. This must not be. Every treasurer will receive a personal letter from the State Y Secretary in a short time, helping to plan for the payment of dues the fourth and last quarter, September 15.

Monrovia Y's are working mainly against tobacco. No saloons in their town. In connection with their purity work gave a reception and girls over 14 years were invited. They were addressed by Mrs. Eliza C. Armstrong. They have twenty-three active and eight honorary members. Girls, do you know what this means? A hive of workers.

Western Grove Y has a membership contest on now. I would urge every Union in the state to hold one in July or August. The evenings will be delightful for lawn parties, etc.

The Treasurer of the Anderson Y, Miss Matilda Jones, used her time and strength and gathered \$2.00 and sent to the India relief fund, knowing it "more blessed to give than receive." Miss Edna Hodson, of Anderson, read a paper on "The Power of the Press" at the meeting the 25th and it was published in the daily *Herald*, the morning paper. It was a very fine paper. We hope that the Presidents of Unions will see to it that the fine efforts of mind and talent put forth by the Y's will be published, so that all may hear.

Last quarter the Goshen Y paid for thirty-three members; this quarter for nineteen. Splendid.

Greenfield Y says: "With God as our strength and guide we intend to put forth our best efforts in the Y work to make our country better."

South Bend Y reports a fine program on Flower Mission Day and intends to have another purity lecture before long.

Goodland Y, a new organization, has ten active and six honorary members, with state dues paid. Held a silver medal contest in the Baptist church June 18. They have decided to take up the following departments: Medal, Sabbath Observance, Literature and Flower Mission; also Parliamentary. Pray for them, and may every county in the state have an active Y union.

Peru Y's are mourning the loss of one of their most valued members, the Superintendent of Franchise department.

Just one more quarter until our year closes. Oh! girls make it our best. See which union will double their membership—the one that can pay the most dues next time. We'll have the new Lebanon Y then and pray for many more. Dear W's. can't you secure some new Y members? Give your own beautiful daughter to the cause and pay her dues as a little gift to her. God only knows how much good it will do.

Girls, do you know that our dear president has almost given her life and its precious values for us. Won't it help to enthuse and inspire you to greater activity? And Mrs. Balch and Mrs. Whitson, and our faithful state officers—let us help them all we can.

After Winona W. C. T. U. day, July 10, the month is almost taken in dates to the southern part of the state by the Y secretary. Pray for her that the power of the Holy Spirit may go with her and unions and members be added to us. Lovingly and loyally,

CLARA M. SEARS.

The Local Institute at Oxford, Benton County, June 29 and 30, was a success and demonstrates the excellent judgment exercised by the Unions in seeking to arouse interest in their communities. The first meeting was held in the evening and the opening exercises were conducted by Rev. A. T. Hall. The lecture on Christian Citizenship was excellent. Miss Baker, County President, in her usual efficient manner, took charge of the Institute. Sabbath Observance was presented by Ely Myers, discussion following. Temperance in the Sunday School was presented by Rev. Hostetter, and Household Economics by Mrs. A. T. Hall. Non-Alcoholic Medication was ably presented by A. G. Natghbor, M. D. In the afternoon the devotional exercises were led by Mrs. H. Wilson. Following this, Prof. Colawell, in an able and forcible manner, presented Scientific Temperance. Mrs. Emma Rhode spoke for Mothers' Meetings until there was a wish that every mother in Benton County could have heard her. Peace and Arbitration was discussed after presentation by Rev. T. A. Hall. The last but not least was a recitation by Mrs. Jennie Bensen, on the subject of Tithing and Systematic Giving, which set forth our duty in that much-neglected line. In the evening an interesting medal contest was held. The medal was awarded to Miss Fannie Burt, aged 16.

## FLOWER MISSION.

I want to thank you for the excellent reports you have sent me this last quarter. They show that you have made a great deal of sacrifice in order that hearts might be lighter and lives made better and brighter. May the Lord reward you. I want to suggest that in the near future you give a Flower Mission Social. Ask those whom you invite to bring a bunch of flowers. If your treasury is low it would be well to charge a small admission fee or sell refreshments. By doing this you can very well make enough money to buy a goodly amount of summer clothing or some food for several families. Hoping that this next quarter will bring in larger reports than before and that we may spread His tidings farther than we ever have.

ANNA CARR.

## AUGUST 9, ISLAND PARK. W. C. T. U. DAY.

The W. C. T. U. pavilion will be open with literature for sale and free distribution from July 25 to August 16. Will our friends call and register?

## W. C. T. U. PROGRAM.

- Morning hour, from 9:00 to 10:00, occupied by Mesdames R. C. Travis, D. A. Work, Elkhart; A. P. Daub, Goshen; Laura Phoenix, Middleburg; Josephine Wood, Wawasee, and other representative W. C. T. U. women.
- 10:00 A. M. Address by Quincy Lee Morrow, Indianapolis, Indiana State Evangelist. "Our Bible and the Rum Traffic."
- The annual election of officers of the Assembly Union. (Members of the Assembly Union are those signing the total abstinence pledge and the Assembly Union Constitution, and paying a membership fee of 25 cents to provide the annual program.)
- 1:45 P. M. Opening services, Mrs. Ada L. Squiers, Martinsville.
- 2:00 P. M. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart. Subject: "Legal Status of the Nineteenth Century Woman."
- 2:30 P. M. Diamond Contest. In charge of State Superintendent Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.
- Baby Squiers, the Wonderful Child Impersonator and born elocutionist, will entertain the audience while the judges are out.
- 4:00 P. M. Introduction of distinguished visitors and newly elected officers.
- 7:45 P. M. Opening Services, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, President Indiana W. C. T. U.
- 8:00 P. M. Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, Treasurer Indiana W. C. T. U., "Our Finances."
- 8:15 P. M. Quincy Lee Monroe, "Christian Citizenship."

I feel that we women of the Spiceland W. C. T. U. have been especially fortunate in having had with us our State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. M. S. Stahl, of Hartford City.

We desired to organize a Mothers' Meeting and not knowing how best to proceed, sent for Mrs. Stahl to help us and her visit resulted in an interested, enthusiastic band of mothers, ready to unite themselves to overcome the social evils which surround us.

I think it is not too much to say that every mother in Indiana should hear Mrs. Stahl. She teaches of the most delicate subjects, yet her thoughts and language are so pure that no one could be offended.

I want to recommend that every county in Indiana arrange to have Mrs. Stahl come and visit the local unions and I believe the result will be that the coming generation will be born with purer, nobler ideals, and a higher plane of living will be the result. We hope to have her return to Henry county in the near future and visit every local union.

Among all the departments of the W. C. T. U., except the active aggressive temperance work itself, I believe there is none so important as that of "Mothers' Meetings." None so instrumental in pointing the mind toward purity. So many of us mothers do not realize what a power we are toward uplifting the world and moulding the life and thought of future generations. Mothers, arouse yourselves to your responsibilities and organize at once. Send for literature on the subject and have lecturer come and give your inaugural address.

Her terms are very reasonable. Her program is to talk to the mothers in the afternoon and to hold a temperance meeting in the evening. At the evening meeting she takes up a collection. This is her only charge, except her car fare, which the union she visits is expected to pay.

SUSAN F. BAILEY.

To make a local Union meeting a success, begin on time. If the President is late, do not wait for her, but begin. Conform to parliamentary usage by bringing all business before the house by motions. Insist that all persons who gain the floor speak to the motion. Decide upon a time for adjournment of all Union meetings, and then adjourn on time if the unfinished business must be referred to committees. Urge each officer and each Superintendent to make a report of work done at each meeting; a report in figures will consume but little time, but serve as a great stimulus to action.



## FIELD NOTES.

**Elkhart** is the first to return one of the Fair Department pledge cards signed. Who will be the next?

An L. T. L. contest was held at Burlington, April 28, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. The church was prettily decorated with potted plants, flags and Miss Willard's picture. There were four girls and two boys, about the age of twelve, in the class. Fourteen little boys and girls marched in carrying banners, bearing the inscriptions, "Prohibition," "Total Abstinence" and "The Children are a-Field" and sang "The Welcome Song." The house was crowded. Don Patton won the medal, the others received a little booklet.

**Goodland Y** union held a Silver Medal Contest on June 18, to commemorate Demorest Day. The program, as published by the *Union Signal*, was carried out as far as practicable. Miss Leithal Patton won the medal. About ninety people listened to the little girls, while they spoke for prohibition. The Y union is ready to do what it can.

**Central W. C. T. U.**, of South Bend, is earnestly pursuing its work of educating the people in the principles of our organization. We have taken up thirteen departments of work, conducted by earnest, consecrated superintendents, some of whom have charge of each meeting, presenting her special department. This plan has been very successful in bringing our work before the public, as the editors have kindly given space for reports of our meetings. Through the energetic efforts of our Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Almira Staples, assisted by the County President, we had Miss Anna Downey at South Bend. She gave three powerful and instructive lectures while in the city. In her address on Christian Citizenship, at the First Presbyterian Church, she held her audience spellbound for more than an hour. From all sides came words of appreciation and interest and a desire expressed that she return at some future time. The afternoon parlor meeting for ladies was a season of great spiritual uplift. She emphasized the thought that in order to win souls we must constantly realize the presence of Jesus walking by our side. Her coming to South Bend has done much good in creating sentiment favorable to our cause.

Bettie Rush, secretary at Elizabeth, one of our new unions, writes of a successful contest. Go and do likewise, everybody. Several hundred towns in Indiana where there has never been a contest. I have said "praise the Lord" quite a number of times this quarter, as my reports come in, to see how the number of my painstaking county corresponding secretaries increased. Heartily as unto the Lord should be our motto.

**Oxford** at the close of its local institute held a medal contest, selling tickets.

**Lindley Union** (postoffice Sycamore), has organized an L. T. L. They have a senior class of ten, possibly fifteen.

**Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U.** was organized at Lexington, Indiana, April 6, 1900, through the efforts of Mrs. Mattie O. Cammack-Gibson. She spent two days with us, gave interesting lectures and gained many friends by her gentle manner and pleading eloquence. The officers elected were: Mrs. Florence Reid, President; Miss Cynthia Hardy, Vice President; Myra Simonton, Treasurer W. C. T. U.; Martha Mace, Secretary W. C. T. U.; Ella Chambers, Secretary Y. W. C. T. U. and Superintendent of Social Entertainments; Carrie Mace, Treasurer Y. W. C. T. U.; Jessie Stonehouse, Superintendent of Prison and Jail Work; Ella Lothrop, Superintendent of Press Work; Mrs. Eliza Mace, Superintendent of Mothers' Work; Mrs. Caroline Mace, Superintendent of Temperance Literature. New lines of work will soon be added, as the number of members is constantly increasing. We are glad to say that the young men and boys are joining our union and we feel that we are already doing some good in our town and surrounding community. We observed Flower Mission Day and have met with success in the socials that we have given.

Rev. Bartle, of Irvington, Indiana, was present at one of our meetings and gave us great encouragement in the noble work. Our Medal Contest will be given Thursday evening, July 12. Although just starting in this great work for the cause of temperance, our band of workers feel that there is much they can do for God and home.

Mrs. H. B. Wisner, State Secretary of the L. T. L. branch for Ohio, says: "If you desire an increased enthusiasm in the efforts along W. C. T. U. or L. T. L. lines, secure the services of Miss Margaret Wintinger, editor of the *Young Crusader*. She is a lecturer and chalk talker. Miss Wintinger can come to Indiana in August. Do, please, write to Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis, and arrange to have Miss Wintinger help arouse your community."

Rev. Carl D. Case, pastor of the First Baptist church of South Bend, will soon change his field of labor to Terre Haute, Ind. He is a young man of deep consecration, rare talents, great executive ability and has a broad conception of the mission of the Church of God. Rev. Case is one of the strongest young ministers in the middle states. He has the courage of his convictions. Every cause for righteousness and the uplift of humanity finds a friend staunch and true in our brother, Carl Case. We extend congratulations to the people of Terre Haute.

**South Bend Willard Y** observed Flower Mission day by having a fine program conducted by the Flower Mission Superintendent, Miss Mabel Jeffries, at her home.

A Bedford Union member writes a letter from which the following is taken: "We are planning to invite all the teachers of our public schools (about thirty), to our next Mothers' Meeting, which will be June 22, and I have been instructed by the Union to arrange a program that will give the teachers the W. C. T. U. idea of S. T. L. Tell me where to get literature for this program. I want the best thing I can get—not too long—and interesting. Help me, for I do feel the great responsibility resting on me as superintendent of this department. I am frightened because it leads me into so many different kinds of reform work. I am praying for help, but feel so unworthy. At the last Mothers' Meeting we had forty present. It is astonishing how many can be interested through their homes. Our good temperance men are carrying remonstrances against a man trying to open a saloon in this ward where there never has been one. People are signing who never would before. Some of the men say the Mothers' Meetings started this agitation, but I think we only helped a little. There were other causes. Mitchell, a town near us, has to-day by remonstrance defeated the last three saloons in their town, and that will now be a dry town. Praise the Lord! We are arranging a medal contest of boys; hope to give it in about two weeks, and then I am hoping to get the Union to send some things to the Hadley Industrial school.

The Superintendents' Conference was profitable to Superintendents and the presentation of the departments most excellent. We also finished the work with a balance in the treasury for next year's conference. The Superintendents came into closer touch with each other and out of this there came to them the feeling that they could very materially help each other's work while doing their own and to my mind that is no small thing. It has been sometimes that Superintendents have become so absorbed in and by their own work that they seemed not to see any other line, so if we can, while working well our own line, broaden out so as to help in another, I believe we will be much better in our own.

**Jeffersonville Union** held a reception from 2 to 5 p. m., May 15, at the home of Mrs. Mary Frank. There was a good attendance of members and quite a number of visitors. Miss Lula Warcup, a deaconess, sang with fine effect, without accompaniment, a solo, "Save the Boy." Little Misses Lelia and Mabel Hay recited several numbers very pleasantly. Refreshments were served. The dining-room was decorated with ferns and cut flowers. There were readings, vocal and instrumental music and a good time generally. Two young misses took the white ribbon to become members of our branch. The "mite" plate received due attention, a neat little sum being contributed.

**Logansport Central** observed Flower Mission Day at the Hospital and Orphans' Home and gave button-hole bouquets, with cards, to all the street railway men, who expressed appreciation and wore the flowers all day. One hundred and twenty bouquets were distributed. Recently a coffee was given for the benefit of the Flower Mission fund. Twenty-five hundred pages of literature and three hundred leaflets have been distributed. The wall pockets are kept filled. One of these is at the Panhandle railroad shops, where there are 500 men employed. The Union is holding services at the jail now with interesting results. Last Sunday there were seventeen men and one woman in the jail. The men were nearly all young. The pledge cards and leaflets are always taken to the jail. When Mrs. Mabel Conkling was here she preached on Sunday morning at the Second Presbyterian church and also gave a very fine address to a large audience at the same church in the evening. She gave us four other addresses in the different churches in the city. She is a very winning speaker. She gained eleven new members for our Union. We expect to try and have her come back this fall and do a week's work for us. We think it would pay us. Our Union does not seem to be doing much, but when our reports come in we seem more encouraged to go on in the good work. We have over fifty members.

**St. Joseph County** observed June 9 as Flower Mission Day by giving one hundred and twenty-seven bouquets, with text cards on which were tied the little bow of white ribbon. Much relief work has been done by our county during the last quarter.

**Point Isabel Union** sympathizes with Florella Williams, a sister bereft of her beloved husband and companion, who has gone to rest in his eternal home.

**Floyd County** appoints the following officers to assist the county president until the September convention: Recording Secretary, Mrs. Luke Mier; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John Martin, North State Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Elgin, East Eleventh and Main Streets; Y Secretary, Eunice Jennings Kelly, of New Albany; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Rose Pritchett, Galena. Mrs. Jones reports visiting Galena Union June 4, one new member. Lowell, one of our new Unions; took a contest to Hebron June 20. Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash, won the Suffrage gold medal at the Superintendents' Board meeting at Lafayette.

**Terre Haute Unions** expand—our do-everything policy. They visited their sheriff in company

with a number of the city and county officials and presented him with a picture of Christ. They in turn received warm commendations for their self-sacrificing work, and Mrs. Palmateer was presented with a beautiful police matron's badge of gold. Mrs. Cale, their Press Reporter, is getting them well before the public in the columns of their city papers.

**Brazil Union** is especially active. They defeated an immoral show. "Resist the devil and he will flee from you," says the Scriptures.

**Elkhart County** is yet among the living. We may neglect to report sometimes, but never neglect to work. Middleburg entertained a spring institute and our County President, Mrs. Laura Cole Phoenix, assisted by Mrs. Rose Pierce, of LaPorte and Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis and the local workers of the W. C. T. U., enjoyed a very profitable institute. Doctors, lawyers, ministers and other prominent people assisted in the program. Elkhart county has two new unions and prospects for more in the near future. Mrs. Amanda Whitson, of Indianapolis, conducted an all-day's session W. C. T. U. conference in Goshen and much good and valuable help came of it. Miss Anna Downey assisted at a week's conference at Elkhart. Space does not admit of mentioning the names of all our earnest workers or the good we accomplished, but God knows and will reward our efforts in His own time. Nappanee and Middleburg have a Y branch. Elkhart is earnestly considering one and Goshen expects to keep the banner.

Miss Mary Hadley, National Superintendent of W. C. T. U. Institutes, has been at work in Minnesota during June. She has completed the following amount of work: Five district and five county conventions attended, with institute work in connection. Total meetings (including four parlor meetings), 41; total members added (including forty-seven honorary members), 131; unions organized (Y branches), 6. One branch in each district and also one at Wosiojo county convention. The additions to membership were not only local, but included localities represented at the District Convention. Miss Hadley has been urged to spend much of the month of July in Minnesota, but finds it impossible to do so.

**Roanoke.** A lady from this place met a White Ribbon sister, one who wore her ribbon, and it served as an introduction. Later on the lady from Roanoke wrote this newly made friend for an organizer. Mrs. Hattie Brand was sent to them. Mrs. Brand addressed a public meeting one evening and organized the next day with nineteen members, every one paying their dues. Their W. T. P. A. agent reads the *Union Signal* and MESSAGE and everything indicates a union of unusual strength and activity.

It is of the greatest importance that you begin very early to interview candidates for membership in our coming legislature, in regard to their views on the S. T. I. Let us prevent, if possible, the election of any one who refuses to commit himself in favor of our S. T. I. law. This will be a crucial year with us. Keep all candidates well informed on "Atantie" controversy. You will find much in regard to this in the *Union Signal* and the *School Physiology Journal*. Other literature in this line can be obtained most direct by sending to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Tull street, Boston. A very small sum will secure all you need.

MARTHA W. BOND,  
State Superintendent S. T. I.

The *Union Signal* will not be published on the 3d and 4th weeks of July. In justice and kindness the employees are given two weeks to get out of Chicago's heat.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Miss Rose Ethel Kidd, a sweet, lovable and honored member of Peru Y. W. C. T. U., was called to her home above on Sabbath afternoon, June 24, after a long illness from consumption. During all her suffering she was always patient and cheerful. To see and know her was to love her. Just a few moments before her death she told her friends she would have to go and bade the members of her family farewell until she should see them in the Glory Land. She was our Franchise Superintendent at the time she received the summons to come up higher. We know our loss is her gain. Had our dear one lived until July 10 she would have been 17 years of age. Like many others our union on earth is broken, but one more tie is added to the Union in heaven, where the little white bow will be exchanged for the white robe and palms of victory.

Almira Mustard died at her home, a little west of Broad Ripple, Saturday morning, June 9, 1900. She was about 65 years old. She was a faithful Christian woman and a member of good standing in the Lutheran Church. As wife, mother and friend she was loved by all who knew her. She was a patient sufferer for fourteen long years. She was also a much-loved member of the W. C. T. U., of Broad Ripple, and will be greatly missed from our number. The ladies of the Broad Ripple W. T. C. U. tender their sympathies to the husband and daughters of our departed sister.

She rests now; no more her breast  
Heaves with its weary breath.  
Pain now no more contracts her form,  
Where broods the calm of death.  
Sunk to her rest, like a tired child,  
She lies in slumber deep.  
Soft folded in the arms of Him,  
Who giveth His beloved sleep.

## SISTERS OF THE W. C. T. U.

Entered into the perfect life at her home in Elkhart, Ind., May 27, 1900, sister Anna Robinson. She was a consistent Christian, a devoted wife and mother. She leaves a husband and three children, two daughters and one son. She was a member of the W. C. T. U.

Gone before us, O, our sister,  
To the spirit land;  
Vainly look we for another  
In thy place to stand.



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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

Held in Edinburgh, Scotland, in June, was a wonderful convention, entertained in a magnanimous manner by some of Scotland's best people. Let the correspondence to the *Union Signal* from the convention be read in every W. C. T. U. in Indiana, that all may know of the great advancement made by our great organization—the greatest organization of women the world has ever known.

## NEWLY ELECTED GENERAL OFFICERS OF THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

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1896, Panama—Miss Marie Duchatellier, Panama, Isthmus of Panama.

1896, Sweden—

1897, Syria—Mrs. H. H. Jessup, Beirut.

1897, Armenia—Miss Rebecca Kerkorian, in care of Dr. Simpson's Bible Institute, Nyac, New Jersey, U. S. A.

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1899, British Honduras—Mrs. Watrous, Punta Gorda.

1900, Porto Rico, West Indies—Mrs. Shaffner Etnier, Calla de Vol, Ponce.

A full report of the World's Convention will be given in the September issue.

## WHAT WE BELIEVE AND SEE.

We believe in the coming of His Kingdom, whose right it is to rule, whose service is perfect liberty, because His laws "written in our members" are perfect, converting the soul.

We believe in the Holy Sabbath Day.

We believe that God created man in his own image, male and female; created them and gave them dominion; therefore, we believe and ask equal purity of life, equal liberty and privilege to have each their own opinion and to express it in the home, on the platform, in the pulpit and at the ballot box.

We believe in the tri-colored flag of peace and arbitration for all civilized nations, in an equal wage for equal work, and we believe that one of the choicest fruits of christianity will be a growing bond of brotherhood and sisterhood, so close among all nations, races and people that we shall become truly kindred each to the other and that great word humanity, like a rolling wave of the ocean of God's love, shall wash out from the sands of time the words cast, creed, sex and even that good word patriotism, because we shall feel that the whole world is one country and all men are our King.

Every utterance of appreciation, affection and friendship, every token of mutual co-operation, every stroke of honest hard work, every sincere prayer sets forth and helps forward that wonderful, beautiful day we call the coming of the Kingdom of God.

And because we so deeply believe this glorious gospel for mankind, we improve every opportunity and press into every open door. Our beloved Miss Willard has said, "Women will enter every place in the round world, and she will purify every place she enters."

These are the reasons why we White Ribboners are at Winona to-day. Although we are often placed in circumstances akin to "Nansen's sea lion," halting with noses pressed against the ice by those opposed to reform, yet we see and take courage at the sight, the white crescent waves breaking toward the shore; manifest destiny speaking in the irresistible tide of equal educational advantages, equal privileges in industries, equal professional and social conditions. It is said that Margaret Fuller shocked public taste in Boston by sitting down in a public library to read a book. Now, women not only sit down in public libraries to read, but are librarians and own libraries.

A few years since, a woman seen on a business street, unattended, was regarded with dark suspicion. Now, women are employed in every business block. A woman there excites no more comment than a man, while refined women, sustained by popular good will, reside in the slums, that they may carry there the gospel of better living.

Dearly beloved, the millennium is drawing near. One hundred years ago not a married woman in all the world could make a will or control her own property. Sixty years since, not a college open to woman. Now, out of four hundred colleges and universities in the United States, three hundred and seventy-five admit women.

In 1840, when Harriet Martineau came to this country, only seven occupations were available for women and those were menial and poor pay. Now, a woman may honorably follow whatever calling suits her ability.

The Chicago *Legal News*, of June, tells us about the successful women lawyers of Illinois. Eighty-nine women have been admitted to the Illinois bar. Considering the fact that twenty-seven years ago not a single woman had been admitted, and considering the great difficulties in the way of strong prejudice which the women had to encounter, the women of Illinois have done well.

Miss Blackwell, the first woman physician ever graduated, received her diploma from the medical college of Albany, N. Y., in 1849, being shunned by the women where she boarded and pointed out on the street as "that woman doctress," and called "that female" who would study medicine.

In 1850 Antoinette Brown was graduated in theology at Oberlin, the first woman in the world to receive that privilege. "Let the women keep silence in the churches," a misinterpretation of which has hindered and set back the coming of Christ's kingdom these many years.

In 1854 Mr. Hamilton, of Saco, Maine, employed a young woman in his store; both were highly respectable, both were boycotted, and the mothers in that town severely reprimanded Mr. Hamilton for putting a young woman in such a conspicuous place. But, now, young women are in every business store and it is all right and none the less respectable.

Since the time when the men of Old Rome met to discuss the question, "whether women had souls," until within the last forty years, it had been thought by women and men alike that women had not the capacity to receive the "higher learning," and when Maria Mitchel sent out her "Mackination of the Starry Heavens" it was like the explosion of a bomb. A woman's brain to discover such things! Again, Harriet Beecher Stowe published "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Ten thousand copies were sold immediately, thirty-three thousand in a year, eight presses running day and night to supply the demand.

It is claimed that it did more than any one factor, to change sentiment on the slavery question. It certainly had a powerful influence in rendering public opinion tolerant and respectful to the mental possibilities of women.

As late as in 1856 a woman found praying in a church in New York with some unconverted woman was stopped, reproved and held up to scorn because she had violated a plain command of scripture.

At this same time in the great temperance movement, the question was not so much temperance as whether women had a right to labor in it. At a teachers' convention held in Rochester, the question "Why the profession of teaching is not considered just as respected as that of the minister, doctor or lawyer," women composed the membership, men did the speaking. Susan B. Anthony rose to speak. It took ten minutes to decide whether she had a right to speak, being a woman. Finally she was given a few minutes and caused a sensation by saying, "Do you not see, gentlemen, that so long as society says a woman is incompetent to be a lawyer, minister or doctor, but is simply able to be a teacher, that every one of you who chooses teaching as a profession, tacitly acknowledges that he has no more brains than a woman." For this speech she was bitterly denounced by nearly all present. But the next morning the *Democrat* said, "Miss Anthony hit the nail on the head."

Florence Nightingale in the Crimean war was then revolutionizing the English hospital service and preparing the way for the greater of our women in our civil war.

Thus in the last century power to make a will, control her own property and wages, education in the higher branches, professional opportunities, social liberty, journalism, the law, platform and pulpit speaking, have one after another opened to women. Verily, Victor Hugo's prophecy has come true, "The nineteenth century is the century of women."

The process of all openings to women has been gradual. Women great enough and courageous enough to bear the humiliation continually fitted themselves for medicine, for the ministry, for law and a few great, grand people patronized them and the way was open.

To-day we are asking for political privileges. We have some grand, persevering women working for it, and some great, good, far-sighted people helping to obtain it. Four states already have signed franchises, twenty-five have municipal and school suffrage and in a few years everybody will wonder why restoration to equal privileges to women with men had not come sooner. Dearly beloved, it is so set forth in the Scriptures. God is no respecter of persons. God told Abraham to listen to Sarah, and although it grieved him to his heart, he listened. God said to Moses:



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"The daughters of Zelophehad speak right; thou shalt surely give them a possession for an inheritance among their father's brethren." God made Debora a prophetess and a judge over Israel and Israel had peace forty years under her.

The sweet singer of Israel said: "The Lord gave the word and great are the company of women that carry the glad tidings" (revised version.) Isaiah prayed "that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace." Joel's prophecy: "I will put my spirit upon my hand-maidens, and they shall prophesy (preach.)" Jesus gave the first resurrection message to Mary, the one who loved most. Peter said on the day of Pentecost, "this is Joel's prophecy fulfilled—I will put my spirit on my hand-maidens and they shall preach." Philip's four daughters were evangelists. Paul said, "help those women that labored with me in the gospel." Remember, it was labor in the gospel.

Sisters, it is coming. It is here. Accept it with great grace and let his kingdom come in its fullness, when all shall be equal, brothers and sisters of one common Lord, serving that God who is no respecter of persons.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent Franchise.

## RAILROAD WORK.

My co-workers and associates in Railroad Work are earnestly requested to send in their reports promptly, in order that I may have my report in readiness for state convention.

MRS. ADALINE SUCSE,  
State Superintendent.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

State Y. Secretary Miss Sears spent twelve days in the field, visiting Milroy, North Vernon, where we effected a Y. W. C. T. U.; Jeffersonville, where several young women expressed themselves willing to form a Y. New Albany Y was visited; Gelena, and at Bedford twenty-four young women and fourteen young men signed pledges to become members of the Y. W. C. T. U.

The Y dues are falling off. We must make a greater effort and finish up in September with a gain. Last year, 1,000 gain in Y's in National. This year we wanted 1,000 gain in Indiana alone. Do your best. Plan entertainments so that dues will be paid to correspond with your roll call. Third quarter reports show dues for only fifty-seven Y's. Girls, have you been faithful as treasurers, to collect and notify the members? Let us see, now, as treasurers of the Y's and branches, who can give us the best report having collected dues from the most for the fourth quarter, ending September 15.

Plan to send your President and one delegate for every paid member to our state convention in October. Especially do we want the Y's for Saturday for the conference and Saturday night—Y. W. C. T. U. night. Frankford, Clinton county, is the place; very accessible, good railroad facilities, so plan to be on hand with tablet and pencil.

### INDIANA'S PLAN OF WORK.

Six papers of note No. 1; to be written by our Y's. Subject: a short temperance story of fifteen hundred words. Must be in the hands of Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 West Fourteenth street, Anderson, Ind., by August 25, so we can call committee together to judge the papers the best of which will have a place on the state program Y night. So, on account of the printing of the programs, be prompt, please.

Bedford Y's gave the State Y Secretary, Miss Sears, the most delightful reception the evening of the 21st of July at the beautiful home of one of the young ladies. Music, recitations and refreshments of the highest order. An opportunity was given for membership, after reading the pledge and commenting on it. As a result of the visit to Bedford, twenty-four young ladies and fourteen young men became members of the

Y. W. C. T. U. Mrs. Braxton, the noble faithful W. C. T. U. Superintendent of the Mothers' Meetings, made it possible for the State Secretary to visit her city, with the above result. God bless such women and put it in the hearts of others to do likewise and help the young people.

Work and pray, pay dues and secure others who will be willing to pay dues by the 15th of September, and see who will get our State Y. W. C. T. U. banner which Goshen has carried off so proudly for three years.

Lovingly yours to serve,  
CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

Judging from the numerous and satisfactory reports that find their way to me every quarter there is very little need for me to send this article to the MESSAGE. One of the superintendents of my department said to me some weeks ago, "just put a line or so in the MESSAGE every quarter; it encourages me so to see it and it shows the women we are doing something." So for this reason I send these few words. "Be constant in season and out of season;" if you are, we shall be enabled to come up to the state convention with the best report we have ever had. God bless you all in your efforts for this department of work.

S. M. SHELTON,  
State Superintendent.

## WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

Are there any colored people in your town or county? Are you doing any temperance work among them? If not, why not? Work among colored people is the most important department of work the State carries, for in it are the possibilities of all the other lines of work done by our State Superintendents. If you are not already at work among them, let me urge you to begin at once, for only God knows the meaning of a day lost in reform work. Organize colored Unions wherever it is possible to do so, or into Mothers' Bands when you cannot organize a Union. Gather the young folks and children into Loyal Temperance Legions and make the colored women responsible for the work. When there are not enough colored women or children to organize separately, persuade them to identify themselves with the white Union or Legion and give them some work to do. Let me hear from you workers about the work you have done or are planning to do. Questions answered with pleasure.

Wabash, Ind.

MRS. CHARLOTTE SEARLES.

## PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

As I welcome the MESSAGE for July to my table, I am reminded that it was my intention to write a few lines for it in the interests of my department. I wish to urge the sisters to more earnestness in presenting the claims of peace and the wisdom of arbitration; and especially to beg that each organized county may have a superintendent in this department. Will not county presidents and executive committees see that these are appointed (where it has not been done), and ask such superintendent to report to me at once?

The statements made in this number of the MESSAGE by Mrs. Rall, Superintendent of Mercy, are to me a revelation—a most painful and humiliating revelation. Is it possible that men who can thus lightly, and even sneeringly, put aside the claims of humanity are standing in our pulpits, as leaders and teachers in the things of God? And as to "giving up saving souls and going to save bull-dogs," does not the clergyman see that the man who is cruel to animals is not yet saved? That to "set his sins before him" is one step toward the saving of his soul? We need much more of "applied Christianity" in our daily lives and all honor to the minister who teaches the "pure religion" of doing justly, loving mercy and keeping unspotted from the world. This is not foreign to my theme. It is just the lack of this pure religion that fills the world with war. And the wars of England and America in the last year present an object lesson by which the world should profit. But, indeed, the whole earth seems bristling with bayonet and sword and spear. "Shall I not visit for these things?" saith the Lord.

It is said that women encourage war. Dear sisters, let us refute this charge. Let it not be our fault that the whole system of warfare is not wiped out. At least let us do with our might what our hands find to do. Write an essay, send an article to the press, open your doors for a parlor meeting, do something and—send in the report.

Yours most earnestly,

H. LAVINIA BAILY.

Richmond, Ind.

## LEXINGTON W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis, gave an interesting lecture to a good audience in the Presbyterian church, Monday evening, July 9.

Tuesday evening Miss Ella Lathrop and Miss Ina Faris entertained the W. C. T. U. and friends at the home of Miss Faris.

Wednesday evening Mrs. Dr. Jones, President of the Floyd county W. C. T. U., lectured in the Christian church.

The first of a series of silver medal contests was given at the Baptist church, Thursday evening. The following program was well rendered: "Wisdom and Justice of Our Law Makers," Miss Ina Faris; "A

Glass of Wine *Per Se*," Miss Ivy Lukenbill; "The Silent Seven," Miss Ella Lathrop; "The Lesson of a Tragedy," Miss Carrie Pangburn; "Who Will Roll Away the Stone?" Miss Martha Mace; "The Cost of Rum," Miss Cynthia Grey; "Arouse the Christian Conscience," Miss Jessie Stonehouse. The judges selected were Mrs. Dr. Jones, Rev. W. C. Broady and Rev. Cross. The first prize was awarded to Miss Martha Mace and the second, Miss Willard's picture, to Miss Carrie Pangburn. Appropriate music was played by the organist, Miss Ella Chambers. The class of contestants has been invited to Scottsburg to deliver their recitations.

## FLOWER MISSIONS.

I am sorry our report on Flower Mission Day did not reach you. I thought it was sent. We, on June 9, distributed 125 bouquets. Some to the hospital and the rest to sick and shut in ones. They were lovely large bouquets tied with white ribbon and scripture cards. We also gave out clothing and much literature. W. C. T. U. Y's and L. T. L's all helped. We let some of the L. T. L. members take flowers to the sick. They enjoyed it so very much.

Our L. T. L. had a picnic last Saturday week. Everything was lovely. They recited pieces and sang songs. It was a fine L. T. L. picnic.

Peru, Ind.

ANNA KILMER.

## FRANCHISE.

Your Superintendent of this work has just sent out the report blanks to all the County Superintendents. Will they gather up all the franchise work done in each of their counties, together with all the articles they have had printed, especially those which she has sent into their care for publication and return the same to her by the 15th of September, also all petitions that they have finished circulating or are full of names? Send them on for copying, but continue to circulate others until all names are secured that can be, so that the State may be well represented from each county for our next Legislative work.

We urge that each County Superintendent sees to it that there is a contest, social or Crazy Tea held and the proceeds sent to the State Superintendent for the expenses of the Legislative work next winter. Remember there are prizes offered, for

- 1st. Securing the most names over 500.
- 2d. Having the greatest number of articles printed in the papers of their county.
- 3d. Sending in the most money for the Legislative work.

MRS. M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Are you thinking and planning for them? "The early bird catches the worm," I presume, is old to you, but I wish to remark it is very true.

St. Joseph made the county convention one of the questions to be settled at their county executive committee meeting July 25. That is beginning in time.

Fulton county names Wednesday and Thursday, September 5 and 6 as their dates.

Wabash county is waiting to engage speakers and thinking of September.

Miama county writes "we are planning for a gold medal county contest and a local silver medal contest for our county convention September 4 and 5 at Peru."

Mrs. Mary E. Teats' dates. August 18 and 19, Lowell; 20, 21 and 22, Monroe county; 23, Wolcott; 24, 25 and 26, LaFayette; 27, Camden. Other places have taken Mrs. Teats, but I am waiting to hear from intervening ones before fixing the dates later on.

### A REMINDER.

Counties making the greatest gain send their delegates to the National convention. See plan voted on at last convention. Page 54 of the minutes and on the top of the same page read concerning "the papers of note." A lady in writing me said, "there is so little time"—but, you see, we had the whole year to prepare in.

On page 55 of the minutes our plans for the MESSAGE will be found. It may be that some of our Unions have not found these either and the year nearly gone.

Our summer assemblies are proving a success in many ways, and the September issue will contain a complete report of them.

Willard W. C. T. U. of Lexington is earnestly working in the cause of temperance and every meeting brings new members into our band of white ribboners. Our different departments of work are in charge of Superintendents who are eager and anxious to do all they can for the good of fallen humanity. On Sunday evening, July 29, Rev. J. C. Burkhart, of Irvington, Ind., delivered an interesting lecture. The audience was held spellbound and words of appreciation came from all sides. Sister Unions, if you want some one to inspire you in your noble work, send for him. We are invited to give a Medal Contest at Scottsburg, and will likely accept the invitation in the near future.

Dear Mrs. McWhirter—In the note with my name attached, in the last number of the MESSAGE, the printer has made me say the "Atlantie" controversy instead of "Atwater" controversy.

M. W. BOND.

1634 Park avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

## OFFICERS, 1899-1900.

**President**—Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.  
**Vice-President**—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
**Corresponding Secretary**—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis.  
**Recording Secretary**—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
**Treasurer**—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## BRANCH SECRETARIES.

**General Secretary Young Woman's Branch**—Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 West 14th street, Anderson.  
**General Secretary L. T. L. Branch**—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

Members added by vote of the convention to Central Committee, which committee is empowered to act for the State in the intervals between the conventions and the midyear executive committee meeting in March, are: Mrs. Alice Geary, 730 North street, Logansport; Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

## ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Anna Eldridge, Irvington.  
 Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
 Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, LaFayette.  
 Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Rose Pierce, LaPorte.  
 Mrs. Belle Flowers, Shelbyville.  
 Miss Eveline Riley, Marion.

## ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

Rev. Mattie O. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403, Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

## I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.  
**Organizers**—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1407 Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
**L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work**—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.  
**Work Among Colored People**—Mrs. Lottie Searls, Wabash.  
**Work Among Foreigners**—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

**Health and Heredity and Physical Culture**—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

**W. C. T. U. Normal Institute**—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
**Sunday School Work**—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.  
**Scientific Temperance Work**—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Ave., Indianapolis.  
**Parliamentary Usage**—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
**Medal Contests**—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
**Temperance Literature**—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.  
**The Press**—Mrs. Florence Vance, Crawfordsville.  
**Purity**—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.  
 Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, Lecturer, LaFayette.  
**Purity in Literature and Art**—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
**Mothers' Meetings**—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
**Anti-Narcotics**—Miss Zella Miller, Martinsville.  
**Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Homes and Homeless Children**—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, 72 West Main street, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
**Peace and Arbitration**—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
**Relation of Temperance to Labor, and Law and Statistics**—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
**Household Economics**—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.  
**Non-Alcoholic Medication**—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.

## IV. EVANGELISTIC.

**Evangelistic**—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.  
**Systematic Giving**—Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Hebron.  
**Work Among Railroad Employees**—Mrs. J. B. Sucose, 118 N. 8th St., LaFayette.  
**Department of Mercy**—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
**Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners**—Mrs. Ellen Denny, Vincennes.  
**Work Among Soldiers and Sailors**—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
**Unfermented Communion Wine**—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.  
**Sabbath Observance**—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

## V. SOCIAL.

**Flower Mission**—Miss Anna Carr, 439 W. 11th St., Anderson.  
**State and County Fair**—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

## VI. LEGAL.

**Franchise**—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
**Christian Citizenship**—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.

## COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

**Adams County**—Mrs. Rose Hamma, Geneva.  
**Allen County**—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
**Bartholomew County**—Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope.  
**Benton County**—Miss Eliza Baker, Otterbein.  
**Blackford County**—Mrs. W. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
**Boone County**—Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thornton.  
**Carroll County**—Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora.  
**Cass County**—Mrs. Esther Grable, Logansport.  
**Clark County**—Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.  
**Clinton County**—Mrs. Emma Sayler, 604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort.  
**Cravens County**—Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton.  
**Dearborn County**—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
**Decatur County**—Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.  
**DeKalb County**—Mrs. L. C. Jones, Garrett.  
**Delaware County**—Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, Eaton.  
**Dubois County**—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.

**Elkhart County**—Mrs. Laura Phoenix, Middlebury.  
**Floyd County**—Mrs. Dr. Jones, 921 Pearl St., New Albany.  
**Franklin County**—Mrs. Maggie Smith, Bath.  
**Fulton County**—Mrs. Dr. Shafer, Rochester.  
**Grant County**—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.  
**Hamilton County**—Mrs. Phebe L. Doan, Westfield.  
**Hancock County**—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
**Henry County**—Mrs. S. A. R. Boor, New Castle.  
**Howard County**—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
**Huntington County**—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, 32 Salamonie avenue, Huntington.  
**Johnson County**—Mrs. Anna Alexander, Whiteland.  
**Knox County**—Mrs. Arrie Polk, Freelandville.  
**Lake County**—Mrs. Alice M. Sohl, Hammond.  
**LaPorte County**—Mrs. Lydia Worthingley, Michigan City.  
**Madison County**—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexander.  
**Marian County**—Mrs. M. L. Gipe, 1730 Broadway, Indianapolis.  
**Marshall County**—Mrs. E. H. Blain, Plymouth.  
**Martin County**—Miss Susie Major, Loogootee.  
**Miami County**—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru.  
**Morgan County**—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
**Newton County**—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
**Parke County**—Miss Ida Cox, Coloma.  
**Perry County**—Mrs. Helen Shank, Rome.  
**Posey County**—Mrs. Eva Everton, Mt. Vernon.  
**Randolph County**—Mrs. G. W. Ross, Union City.  
**Ripley County**—Mrs. J. Thackery, Sunman.  
**Rush County**—Mrs. India Smith, Milroy.  
**Spencer County**—Mrs. E. C. Graham, Rockport.  
**St. Joseph County**—Mrs. Daisy Shoutz, 1201 W. Washington Street, South Bend.  
**Steuven County**—Mrs. Hannah Willennar, Pleasant Lake.  
**Tippacanoe County**—Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis, 240 S. Grant Street, LaFayette.  
**Union County**—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.  
**Vigo County**—Mrs. Emma Joice, 1214 N. 11th St., Terre Haute.  
**Wayne County**—Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
**Washington County**—Mrs. Mary Overman, Salem.  
**Whitley County**—Mrs. Mina Squires, Churubusco.  
**Warrick County**—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Newburg.  
**Wabash County**—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.  
**Wells County**—Mrs. Julia Thurber, Ossian.  
**White County**—Mrs. L. J. Horner, Monon.

## L. T. L. ITEMS.

Wabash county observed our L. T. L. Red Letter day, July 21, in honor of Anna Gordon, by holding a picnic. Six ministers made short talks, in addition to the prepared program, which was given after the picnic dinner. As guests, we had Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru, and her sister from Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Allen, of Logansport, and Mrs. M. P. A. Bower, of Knoxville, Tenn., only sister of our County President, and an active worker in the W. C. T. U. and Loyal Temperance Legion of her city. Refreshments were sold to replenish our county treasury.

## NOTES AND NO DISCOUNT.

Muncie has a new L. T. L. Mrs. Mary White is the leader.

LaPorte county has a new Union at Tracey, organized by Mrs. Rose Pearce.

Whitley county has a week's work by Mrs. Rose Pearce in August.

Mrs. Mary Teats, of California, begins work at Lowell, August 18.

Morocco, Newton county, takes Mrs. Teats three days.

The Assembly Union at Winona has a membership of one hundred.

After August 2, Mrs. Florence Vance's address will be Prouty avenue, Toledo, Ohio. Indiana commends her to the fellowship of Ohio White Ribboners.

Miss Pearl Rall reports her county in a most thriving condition and speaks very complimentary of the conference presided over by Mrs. A. T. Whitson, State Treasurer.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
 Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Nora, Ind.



The Board has a very good photograph of the building and the girls out in the front, 10 x 12, which they will sell for 50 cents. Send orders to the Treasurer.

## JUNE REPORT OF TREASURER.

Money received: Logansport, West Side, \$1.69; Lucerne, \$2.50; Centerton, \$1.44; Honey Creek, \$1.17; Otterbein, 30 cents; Talbot, \$1.44; LaPorte, \$1.80; Guilford, \$2.82; Bath, \$1.00; Phlox, \$1.29; Muncie, \$1.10; North Manchester, \$3.00; Churubusco, \$2.59; Hebron, \$2.10; Ossian, \$3.06; M. F. Thomas, \$3.09; Dillsboro, \$4.32; Brazil, \$2.25; New Castle, 70 cents; Fair-

mount, \$9.00; South Marion, \$1.18; Hadley, \$1.56; Rochester, \$1.52; Boston, 36 cents; Auburn, 51 cents; Greensburg, \$10.00.

Receipts for laundry: Frazier Y, \$31.00. Grant county, balance of pledge, \$4.54.

Expenses: Insurance on barn, \$3.50; Betty Parker, May and June, \$40.00; Stella Green, \$30.00; Colbert Griffin, \$40.00.

REBECCA HESSONG,  
 Treasurer, Nora, Ind.

## HADLEY SCHOOL NOTES.

The Board of Managers for Hadley school met at Acton Park on August 2, one of the W. C. T. U. days, and after listening to a program of more than usual interest, at its close went into executive session, to consider matters of importance relating to the home. Our lovely teacher of last year, Miss Myrtle Davis, left us to enter a broader field in Mexico, where her name is enrolled among those of the *Friends Missionaries* who have left all to follow Him who leadeth aright. Through her recommendation we have secured one of her friends, Miss Mary Pearson, of Fairmount, to fill her place and the school will open on the 1st Monday in October. We have secured the services of Mr. Butler and wife, of Indianapolis. He to take charge of the farm and his wife to take charge of the kitchen department.

Mr. Clyde Carmack (son of our late friend), visited the home last week and took pictures of the buildings and girls, so that all who desire these pictures can obtain them at small expense. He gave us the assurance that he would honor the wishes of his father in regard to this Home School, although no written will has been found. He is a son worthy his noble father. Good health and contentment continues under the management of Mrs. Parker. The Unions have in the main responded to calls for clothing for their girls and while at times the way seems dark in the matter of support, we believe the light is breaking and this school will eventually fill the desire of its promoters.

L. HOBART.

Any county wishing to use some Foreign Literature at their Fall Convention, please notice my offer. I will send to any of you free of charge, literature in any language, if you will let me know very soon when you wish it and in what language. Do, please, my sisters, think about this offer and see if you cannot use some Foreign Literature. I would rather see some good done, at my own expense, for my Department, than keep the literature until able to sell it.

ANNA KILMER,  
 State Superintendent.

## WOMEN OF SIAM.

In a recent address on "Women of Asia," Miss Jessie Ackerman made this startling statement:

More than one half the women of the world are matters of merchandise. In the Orient a man buys his wife just as he does his buffalo or ox, and has just as full control over her as he has over his beast. In India the degradation on the part of women is more marked than in China, by reason of the very early period at which a girl's earthly destiny is sealed. In Siam a woman is branded as we brand cattle. A mark on her wrist indicates what brand of the imperial family she belongs to. While visiting that country I was granted an audience with the King, who received me in state. In referring to the degraded condition of his women, he brought forward as clever an argument as I have ever heard. The King is a "muchly" married man, having forty wives, sixty children and 1,500 women in his harem, each woman having a slave. When the great gate closed upon me I found myself in an inclosure where there are 3,000 women who never go out. In speaking of the lack of education of his women, the King argued thus: "You know with education there always come culture and refinement. If I educated my women I should educate them into a state of discontent, for they would want many things that it is impossible for them to have."

## NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP BANNER.

Wise local Presidents and Treasurers will urge every member of each Union to help in securing new members, honorary and active, and to help in collecting dues. The National Banner for membership will go again this year to the State that makes the greatest net increase in membership. We do want Indiana to BE THAT STATE. WILL YOU HELP?

Will you go right out now and secure a new regular member? If so and she pays her dues by September 1st, please send me a postal telling me what you have done and the name of the new member, so I will get it by September 5th, that I may use it in the September Message. Who will be first? I want the names of all W. C. T. U. officers and Superintendents in every Union in the State, besides the other earnest loving women who do so much for our cause.



## FIELD NOTES.

Miss Sears secured twenty-four young women and fourteen young men for a Y Union at Bedford.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl writes of being very busy and her county doing well.

Mrs. Ada L. Squires has recently spent ten days in Dubois county, holding five medal contests, one of them a grand gold.

**Huntington County** organization held a highly profitable conference on the 13th inst., with the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson. Representatives of Warren, Andrews, Roanoke and Huntington were present in the M. E. church at Huntington and evidenced the rapid growth of the organization within the past two years. The Department Work was thoroughly discussed and much valuable matter brought forth. Mrs. Lou Rall was made County Organizer. A fine dinner was served at the noon hour and a warm sisterly spirit pervaded the entire meeting.

**Campbellsburg Union**, organized last March, is already becoming famous. The Union held a reception the afternoon of July 11, at the home of Mrs. Mollie Wilkins. Mrs. Hattie Brand was present and spoke words of cheer and encouragement. It was a very interesting occasion and beneficial to all. Mrs. Brand held three very successful public meetings at the church, with a crowded house each evening. Every one praised Mrs. Brand for her interesting services and she made many warm friends while here. Special music was prepared by the Union, which was appreciated by the people. We added six new members to our already loyal union and at our meeting to-day our members were divided into two sections, both striving to see who shall entertain the other half for being the most successful in securing the most new members. Every meeting grows in interest and we now have an oratorical contest arranged to be held.

**The Allen County Woman's Christian Temperance Union** met in conference in the Plymouth Congregational church, Thursday. Mrs. Whitson, of Indianapolis, State Treasurer of the W. C. T. U., was in attendance. A prayer and consecration service was held in the forenoon and the Fort Wayne white ribboners served lunch in the church dining hall.

The afternoon session was opened by the County President, Mrs. McIntosh, of Hoagland. Mrs. Whitson explained the great importance of the Allen County W. C. T. U. appointing an organizer in the county to agitate the temperance work; do a house-to-house visiting and organize Unions, which the ladies decided to do, providing a woman can be found who can do the work.

Mrs. English's paper, "Has Music a Mission?" Miss Coudry's recitation and songs by Mrs. Stacey, were well appreciated.

Mrs. Drake, Superintendent of the Anti-Cigarette League, reported the many encouragements in her work and that 1,070 boys and girls have signed the pledge. She also stated that her work was hindered for want of funds.

Mrs. Coudry, Superintendent of the Flower Mission Work, reported a great work done in that line. She has sent many bouquets with scripture texts tied with white ribbon to the hospitals and jail; often sent growing plants. And she always gets a reply in some way from the patient, often in a letter, telling how they appreciated the flowers, and as one patient expressed it, "A ray of sunshine came into her room on a cloudy day."

After the different departments of the work were discussed the meeting adjourned to meet in Fort Wayne in September in county convention.

LINNIE BAUGHER,  
Superintendent Press Work.

**W. C. T. U. of Wabash County** held their annual picnic at the Central School Park last Saturday and a most enjoyable time was had. The day was delightfully cool, and although the crowd was not very large, what it lacked in quantity was made up in quality. All the most noted divines in the city were present and each gave a short and interesting speech. Mrs. Straw, president, and others from North Manchester, together with Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru, state superintendent of Work Among Foreign Speaking People, and others from a distance, were present and a number of them spoke. Mrs. Rouse, of Townsend (colored) Union, read a most excellent paper, and Mrs. Brown, also of that Union, gave a short address, which was listened to with close attention, and with several short and lively recitations closed the unusually interesting program of the day. With a most excellent dinner and plenty of ice cream, all enjoyed a pleasant and profitable day and came away feeling that the ladies of Wabash knew the secret of entertaining well.

MRS. M. A. RATLIFF.

**Lindley Union** observed Flower Mission day. Baskets of flowers, button hole bouquets with text cards tied with white ribbon, were taken by the little girls to the glass factories and given to the men and boys as they came out. They received them gladly. One of the faithful members of our Lindley Union has moved eight miles from this neighborhood. She invited the ladies of the Union to meet with her and come in time to take dinner. We did so yesterday, July 25th. Two of our good brothers, who are in sympathy with their wives in the work of the W. C. T. U. and will vote for John G. Woolley this fall, accompanied us. We all enjoyed the bountiful repast that was provided for us by Mrs. Letitia Lightfoot. After an interesting meeting in the afternoon we rode

home, feeling that it had been good for us to be there. Mrs. Lightfoot is doing what she can in her neighborhood distributing literature and telling her neighbors of the W. C. T. U. We are praying that the life of our beloved State President may be preserved to us.

**Campbellsburg Union.** Another link has been added to the vast chain of Unions. We have a lively Union, just organized in April. We realize that the time has come that something must be done, and so we all willingly lend a helping hand to do all that we can for the upbuilding of humanity. We are truly glad that there is an organization of Christian women who can band together for the protection of their children and home. The home is the fountain of civilization. Americans are a home making people. Our laws are made in the home. There are trained the voters who shape the course of our country. The things said there give bias to character far more than do sermons and lectures, newspapers and books. No other audiences are so susceptible and receptive as those gathered about the table and the fireside. No other teachers have the acknowledged divine right to instruct that is granted with challenge to parents. The fountain of our national life is under our hands; we can make it send forth waters bitter or sweet. Intemperance strikes first and most fatally at the home. The evils most dangerous to social order depend upon dram-drinking for their existence. This, too, is the scene of its most cruel and deadly work; here it smites and stabs and kills. The home must be guarded against its outrages, or the country will be ruined.

**Winteroud Union**, recently organized, has held one gospel temperance meeting and two business meetings. A silver medal contest held on July 4th, at a picnic, was a great success.

**Norristown W. C. T. U.** joined with the Prohibitionists on the 4th, our Nation's birthday anniversary and spent a most profitable day in a grove. The class of seven young ladies proved themselves able contestants, Iniz Mitchell being awarded the silver medal. In the evening the sound logic as given by Rev. Lindsay Wills, of Monrovia, Ind., in his very able address, was received heartily by the large crowd present.

**Washington Union** is on the increase. Our Union has been very weak. I believe, owing to a misunderstanding, or rather a not understanding of the work and consequently an indifference towards it. The last of November we had Mrs. Beck with us over Sunday and she gave three excellent lectures in the Christian, Methodist and Cumberland Presbyterian churches, successively, which awakened some who had hitherto been indifferent. Her work was, indeed, very helpful to us.

Our Union held a successful parlor meeting and gained three members and a little sum as a free-will offering. Refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour spent.

Later—We held a beautiful parlor social at the residence of one of our best and oldest members, Mrs. Palmer. Special written invitations were sent, and our guests numbered more than a score of ladies from all the different churches in the city, except two, and among the best our city affords. Our program consisted of paper and selections on the subject of "Temperance in a mental, moral and physical sense," which was interspersed with excellent vocal and instrumental music, the Misses Dale of our city being present with their instruments. After the program dainty refreshments, consisting of angel food, sponge cake and ice cream were served and all present entered heartily into a social hour. This method of bringing together the ladies of the different churches is certainly very beneficial and if our W. C. T. U. can do no more it is doing a great work in bringing the different denominations into harmony.

Our Union observed Press Day by holding a public meeting in the Masonic hall, which was largely attended. An exceedingly interesting musical and literary program was rendered. Postmaster Sefrit delivered an address upon "The People, the Customer, the Press, the Caterer," which was well received. Mrs. L. M. Beck made the audience glad by a beautiful address upon "The Influence of the Press upon the Home, School and Nation." A well delivered recitation upon temperance was rendered by Miss Josie Smith. These were interspersed by beautiful musical selections upon piano and stringed instruments and several vocal solos. A pleasing feature of the evening was the many young men who took part in the program. "Mothers' Bow of Ribbon White" was sung by an honorary "Y." May God bless these dear young men. Three little girls, tastily costumed in paper dresses of blue, pink and orange, represented our three local papers. The W. C. T. U. ladies wore four-in-hand ties of tissue paper with the word "press" on one end and W. C. T. U. on the other. The waiters for refreshments, which consisted of cream and printers' cake, were the "Y's" who wore dainty paper aprons, which had the word "press" nicely printed across one corner and paper caps and a badge worn diagonally across the bosom on which was printed the names of our National and State temperance papers, our city papers and other temperance papers. The young ladies looked lovely. Paper napkins with the word "press" printed in one corner and W. C. T. U. in the opposite corner were carried away as souvenirs. We had a literature table upon which was temperance leaflets and papers and printers' utensils. An admission of ten cents was charged, editors and ministers receiving complimentary. The hall was beautifully decorated and our "press social" took exceedingly well. Our city editors gave us a fine write-up.

LILLIE SHIELDS.

**Peru** had such a glorious W. C. T. U. picnic at Denver on the 4th I thought you might wish to mention it in your MESSAGE. A fine program and dinner. They met us at the train with carriages, banners waving and decorations and floats. Seventy-five children were drilled and sang very sweetly. Ministers from Peru and Denver gave us excellent temperance talks. There were recitations. They had an elegant platform beautifully decorated. Francis Willard's picture was in the middle and Lincoln's and Washington's on each side. They made a nice sum, which helped to defray expenses of putting out the saloons. Had a store on the grounds. I distributed with my own hands 600 pages of literature on Sabbath observance, franchise, non alcoholic medication and champaign leaflets. The ladies of Denver W. C. T. U. deserve great praise. We procured some new members.

ANNA KILMER.

## PRESIDENTIAL PRAYER CHAIN PLEDGES.

WHEREAS, President Wm. McKinley has shown that he prefers the favor of the liquor men of the nation to that of the millions of christian people who petitioned him to blot out the canteen scourge in the army, therefore, I pledge myself as follows:

1. I pledge myself that I will, until election day, make it a daily special subject of prayer to my Heavenly Father, that He will give to the United States a better man for President for the next four years; one who will keep wine off the White House table, who will be a total abstainer himself and who will do what he can to overthrow the liquor traffic.

Sign.....

2. I furthermore pledge myself to make at least two copies of this letter, changing only the number at the bottom to the next higher, and mail one copy to some sister in the State in which I reside and the other copy to some sister in some other State.

Sign.....

No. 14. Matthew 18:19.

## WHY SHOULD I SIGN A SABBATH PLEDGE?

For the same reason that I should sign a temperance pledge or a church covenant.

The practices of the world and constant temptations are against keeping the Sabbath holy. A pledge draws attention to the points of danger and puts me on my guard.

It incites me to greater watchfulness and prayer.

It makes my own life more pure and consistent.

It makes the light of my example burn clearer and steadier, and by thus joining with others it greatly increases the influence of my example.

## IN MEMORIAM.

In the death of her husband, our sister, Mrs. Susie McIntosh, has the sympathy of her White Ribbon sisters.

At her home just north of Broad Ripple, Josephine Mustard Dodd. She was born April 23, 1873. Departed this life July 28, 1900, at the age of 27 years, 3 months and five days. She was united in marriage to Frank Dodd, December 8, 1897. She gave herself very early in life to Christ, and with steps unwavering, faith unwavering and hope always bright, she served her Master faithfully to the end. She was very fond of children and was always a favorite with them wherever she went. She was teacher of the children's class for several years. She leaves to mourn her, a husband, a father, five sisters and a large host of loving friends. She was also a much loved member of the W. C. T. U., from which she will be greatly missed.

Our late State Fair Superintendent, Mrs. Mary A. L. Colton, Franklin, after an illness of two weeks, fell asleep July 13, 1900. In the spring Mrs. Colton sent in her resignation and the Central Committee appointed Mrs. Ada B. Leck, of Indianapolis, to fill the term of service. Mrs. Colton's work was so well begun it was a very easy matter to take it up where she laid it down. We think of her with the invisible company on the other side and realize that a most faithful and exemplary co-laborer has gone to her reward. She leaves the record, an every day christian one, whose creed was as broad as time outlines needs.

On Saturday, June 23, 1900, Mrs. Harvey Bryant, of Hebron, Ind., passed into eternity. Mrs. Bryant was one of the oldest and best beloved women in the W. C. T. U. The organization feels her loss deeply and desiring to express the same, the following resolutions were ordered published:

WHEREAS, God in his providence has removed from her work on this earth our friend and co-worker, Mrs. Harvey Bryant;

Resolved, That while we bow with submission to the will of the Allwise Father, we do mourn the loss of our faithful sister exceedingly.

Resolved, That we praise God for raising up such a sincere, earnest woman as Sister Bryant to work in our beloved cause of temperance.

Resolved, That this tribute of our love and respect be placed upon our records, published in our State paper, the MESSAGE, and sent to the family of the deceased.

MRS. PLINT, President.  
MRS. SHELT.

Death has entered Lucerne Union for the first time and taken one of our Medal Contest Superintendents, Mrs. Olive E. Montgomery, July 9, 1900, aged 25 years and 10 months.

Mrs. Montgomery united with our Union in January, 1899, while Mrs. Trish was with us. She came from a Christian family and there learned to live a Christian life. When there was work to be done she believed that it was the duty of the W. C. T. U. to do it and never sanctioned putting on to the men the Union's work. She was always ready and willing to perform any task given her, never asking anyone to take it off her hands. She was a welcome guest in every home where she was known, always bringing good cheer with her. Besides a host of relatives and friends who mourn her death, she leaves a devoted husband and a little boy baby three days old. Her soul has gone to its reward. She is at rest.



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## THE GLORY AND THE SHAME.

Companies, regiments, legions of men,  
In stately and martial array;  
Picked men from the city, the hamlet, the glen—  
The pride of the nation are they.  
Exultant they gather from near and from far  
To contend for dominion or fame,—  
The morning light smiles on the glory of war,  
The night weeps o'er its anguish and shame.

Infantry, cavalry, hither they come,  
With banner and bayonet gay;  
Marching to music of trumpet and drum,  
And eager to enter the fray.  
So rush they on boldly, horse, cannon and car,  
And so bravely all terror disclaim;  
In the morning light gleams all the glory of war,  
The night throbs with its anguish and shame.

Beauty of manhood, delight of the home,  
Called out but to slay and be slain!  
Motherhood, wifehood and maidenhood moan  
On that field of fierce carnage and pain.  
So bravely men gather from near and from far,  
And so gallantly fight—for a name.  
Ah! the morning sees naught but the glory of war,  
The night shrieks in its anguish and shame!  
—H. Lavinia Bailey.

Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon spent the last week in August at Rest Cottage in consultation with the officers there over the Washington convention and many other matters connected with the work.

After attending the state conventions of Minnesota and South Dakota, they returned to headquarters for another week of work and planning, leaving to be present at the state conventions of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York and Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Stevens seems to have been much benefited by her short journey to Scotland and England, although it was a business trip. She is looking remarkably well and strong.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens was greatly honored at the World's Convention in Edinburgh by being elected Vice-President-at-Large for the World's W. C. T. U. This was fitting, inasmuch as she was Miss Willard's successor as President of the largest National Union. The United States has a larger membership than England, Canada and Australia combined, and the delegates, recognizing the superior executive ability of Mrs. Stevens, were unanimous in conferring upon her this high honor. We all rejoice that the ability of our chosen leader is recognized by the women of other nations, thus confirming the wisdom of Miss Willard in designating her as her choice as her immediate successor. She is strong and true and has the confidence of all the women.

## REST COTTAGE.

Much misunderstanding still exists concerning the headquarters of the National W. C. T. U. of the United States, many thinking that as the officers of the National Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer are now in Rest Cottage they are necessarily in the home so long occupied by the Willard family and forever sacred to us all on this account.

Will our White Ribbon friends all over the world take pains to make the following statement known through the press and in every possible way:

A commodious addition to the original Rest Cottage was built some fifteen or twenty years ago by Miss Willard's widowed sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary B. Willard. This addition was purchased by Miss Willard when her sister moved to Berlin, Germany, and has been occupied by different tenants to whom it has been let. It is in this newer part of Rest Cottage, familiarly known as "The North Side" and now owned by the National W. C. T. U., that the sunny, spacious offices of "Headquarters" are located, for Miss Anna Gordon has no other thought in connection with Miss Willard's home, of which she holds a life lease, than to sacredly preserve its rooms with their furnishings just as they were left by Miss Willard and her mother. These rooms forming a home entirely distinct from the headquarters, although both are under the same roof, are visited by people from every section of the country and from many different parts of the world and are destined to be a veritable Mecca for temperance workers and those who are interested to see the home where Frances E. Willard lived and loved and toiled to make the whole world more home-like.

Miss Gordon spares no expense to keep this precious home in perfect repair, and employs some one to be always in the residence, there to welcome visitors when she is absent and she plans when her life lease of the property is ended and the estate reverts to the National W. C. T. U. to place the home furnishings, of which she is the sole legatee, in the hands of the National W. C. T. U., with the understanding that they be considered a sacred trust to be preserved with the utmost care in the years to come.

## OFFICIAL CALL FOR STATE CONVENTION, FRANKFORT, OCTOBER 19 TO 23.

You are hereby notified that our Twenty-Seventh Annual Convention will be held at Frankfort, Clinton County, October 19 to 23. The Convention will be held in the M. E. Church.

The annual meeting is composed of the general officers of the State Union, Superintendent of Departments, Chairman of Standing Committees, State Organizers, President and one Delegate at Large and one additional Delegate for every twenty paid members of each Auxiliary Union.

Ex officio members of the Convention must vote in person.

The members of the Ex Committee are requested to be in Frankfort, October 18, in line for the 1 o'clock afternoon meeting, in the basement of the M. E. Church.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## DUBOIS COUNTY.

Extract from a letter of Mrs. Ada L. Squires, State Organizer:

I spent about eight days in Dubois in early June, then returned to Ireland last week for a little more work, making ten days in all in Dubois, and in that time held five contests, the last at Ireland, a Grand Gold, giving the young people lessons on their selections, also did personal work among the women. The almost constant rains interfered with our meetings. The work there is hard. The work was partly planned for different points, but with the exception of Ireland, all the dates were made after my entering the county. We held contests and gave talks. Emma was an attraction and in this way we paid our way. I stood responsible for all expense. Ireland was the only point where I came out with anything like compensation for work. At Ireland, for need of a leader the Legion was not organized, but I believe it will be later on. A woman half way promised to take the work later on and the young people are much interested and ready. But here is what we did do: We got a lot of women together, some young girls among them, and proposed a "study course" like this: A study of the senior L. T. L. course, with study of annual leaflet and W. C. T. U. departments mixed in. They will send for literature at once and we think it will mean the organization of a Union of intelligent workers by and by that will stay organized. I appointed a few superintendents at three other points, but did no organizing, unless we might call it a "Senior L. T. L." at Ireland, and if the whole of Dubois would go to studying on that plan it would be the building of a foundation.

## CHAIRMAN OF LOCAL COMMITTEES, FRANKFORT, IND.

Entertainment, Mrs. Hattie Barrichlow, 508 East Walnut street; Lunch, Mrs. Nannie Clark, 458 John street; Sunday Services, Mrs. Emma Saylor, 600 Walnut street; Railroad, Mrs. M. E. Baker, 406 East Armstrong street; Press, Mrs. Franklin Hinds, 258 West Greene street; Decorations, Mrs. Emma Condon, 603 South Jackson street; Music, Mrs. Kate Adams, 550 East Walnut street; Finance, Mrs. Anna Campbell, Washington avenue.

Mrs. Ora H. McArthur, Knox County Superintendent of L. T. L. and Contest work, writes: "At this place we have quite a faithful W. C. T. U., Y and L. T. L., which were organized over five years ago, excepting the Y, which has been with us about two years. Mrs. Annie Polk is President of the W's, Miss Mabel Brown of the L. T. L. and Mrs. Helen Osborn of the Y. There are ten silver medals in our locality and we hope to have a gold contest soon. Our L. T. L. is doing excellent work along the line of Scientific Instruction, as planned for in the manuals. Not long since we had a "Brownie and Fairy" festival and cleared \$27.50, which is in our treasury ready for the good cause. We would be glad to have a part or all of this letter published in the *Phalanx* and *Message*, because our place has been spoken of as 'indifferent' in the temperance cause. This may be true of some people, but the majority of the intelligent Christian workers are perfectly awake in this matter and the subject is discussed in League, Endeavor, Sunday School, public school, church and, of course, in the W's, Y's and L. T. L. gatherings."

## REQUEST.

At the noon hour each day from now until the opening of the State Convention at Frankfort, each White Ribboner is requested to pray for God's blessing upon the Indiana W. C. T. U. We would ask that especial prayer be offered for all those holding official relations to the Unions to be careful in little things, discreet and faithful.

## LOGOOTEETEE UNION.

On Flower Mission Day, a party of us went to the Poor House and there met the County Commissioners. We had singing, prayers, readings and talks. We took each inmate a souvenir. Their happy faces made us feel that we had done a little good. Those of us who stayed at home visited the sick with flowers, text cards, jellies, etc., and read to them. We not only do this on Flower Mission Day, but try to make every day a flower mission day.

On the first Sunday night of each month we have a Gospel Temperance Meeting, which is very helpful.

On the second Saturday afternoon of each month we have a Parlor Meeting. These are very interesting and helpful. We have good attendance and much good results from them.

In June, when Mrs. Georgiana White (nee Moser) was at home, our Union gave a lawn fete and did much to promote the interests of our Union.

We have 36 paid members. We are doing work in the following departments: Non-alcoholic Medication, Hadley Industrial School, Christian Citizenship, Narcotics, Unfermented Wines at Sacramento, Health, Heredity and Physical Culture, Proportionate and Systematic Giving, Evangelistic, Scientific Temperance, Loyal Temperance Legion, Purity, Mothers' Meetings, Franchise, Literature and the Press.

We have not a separate Superintendent for each department, but some members work several departments, and all are worked more or less.

HARRIETTE McCLESKEY.

## EXTRACTS OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE MINUTES.

Mrs. Balch gave a review of the depleted counties and the sense of the committee is that the organizers be put into the field and kept busy until State Convention under the following plan: A week, or more if needed, in a county, asking only entertainment and free-will offerings, the deficit being met from the State treasury, the Corresponding Secretary making the appointments and calling a county convention, that the county may be reorganized and brought into regular work.

Mrs. Hattie Brand was selected to give the address of welcome at the State Convention.

Moved and carried, that the State provide the badges and see to the delegates for five cents each.

Mrs. Studebaker, music director, offered her resignation because of throat affliction, and the committee extended regrets and sympathy.

Through the Central Committee the State W. C. T. U. recommends that the consideration for W. C. T. U. Sunday services conducted by State's workers shall be \$5.00 and expenses.

A communication was read from the Thorntown Union, concerning the finding of the mother of one of the little girls in the Industrial School, who was stolen from her home a few years ago. The work was heartily commended.

On motion, the length of obituary notices for the State paper was limited to one hundred words.

Recommended, that when found expedient, that one column of the paper be given to advertisements.

On motion of Mrs. Cammack, Mrs. Brand was made State organizer.

On motion, the plans of Mrs. Tompkins for the Suffrage Campaign was endorsed.

The time for holding the State Convention was accepted from October 19-23.

Recommended that our women have a timely interview with our nominees for the coming legislature on the suffrage question. We also recommend that W. C. T. U. women who are anticipating a visit to the city make it convenient to do so during the meeting of the General Assembly.

MRS. CAMMACK-GIBSON.

At the Central Committee meeting September 3, Superintendent of organization was instructed to put workers for two weeks into counties with weak organization, closing with county convention, and in lieu of that institution Mrs. I. C. DeVelling will give two weeks in Johnson county, beginning September 10. County Convention at Franklin, September 22.

Rev. Cammack-Gibson two weeks in Randolph county, September 17 to 30. County convention at Winchester, September 29.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, Shelby county, September 17 to 30. County convention at Shelbyville, September 29.

Miss Mary Hadley, Boone county, September 18 to 30. County convention at Lebanon, September 29.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, Porter county, September 17 to 30. County convention at Valparaiso, September 29.

Dr. Homer J. Hall, Franklin, will speak at the Hall Place Church, Sunday evening, September 16, under the auspices of Frances Willard Union.



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## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Will you please write me a card with regard to the work in your county? I have received a goodly number of reports (for which I am very glad) from local Superintendents, but I want to hear from all the County Superintendents; I want your names. And to you, Local Superintendents, be watchful and prayerful, for a great work is entrusted to you. Be diligent in reporting. I would be glad if the last quarter's reports would double all former ones. Let us be diligent and fervent, "as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." MRS. S. M. STAHL.

State officers, superintendents, branch secretaries, evangelists and organizers are requested to send brief synopsis of their reports to Mrs. Florence E. Vance, State Press Superintendent, 638 Prouty avenue, Toledo, Ohio. This is for the Frankfort newspapers, to be used in the published accounts of the State Convention, and should be sent in at least a week before the convention begins. A great deal depends upon ourselves if we would have full and accurate reports of the convention, and it will be a great advantage to us if our material is on hand early.

The Marion County Convention will be held in Central Avenue M. E. Church, corner of Central avenue and Twelfth street, September 25 and 26. Dr. Quayle, pastor of the Meridian Street M. E. Church, will give an address on the evening of the 25th.

At the call of County President Mrs. Gipe, Marion County W. C. T. U. observed August 21 as a day of fasting and prayer, holding an all day session in the First Baptist Church. Mrs. McWhirter and Mrs. Balch each had a place on the program, Mrs. McWhirter opening the meeting with a deeply spiritual address. Mrs. Eldridge had an hour in the afternoon which was a blessed time for all present.

As the time for the annual meeting draws near I have not heard from many who received the catalogue of the Indianapolis Manual Training High School. I am anxious to learn what you have accomplished in the way of prevailing on your respective school boards in inaugurating some of the branches of manual training in the public schools, or in teaching them in kindergartens, vacation schools or lessons given in domestic science exclusively, as is being done in New York, Massachusetts and some other states. We all know the deplorable life many housekeepers live because of incompetent help. Still more deplorable is the condition of the girl who wanders from house to house in search of employment, simply because she is unable to perform her duties satisfactorily, hence if we aid in disseminating this knowledge, both housekeeper and maid are benefited, saying nothing of the indirect and far reaching influences in numerous ways. We lament when a girl goes to work, spends precious time and money over "Doors of Hope," "Rescue Missions," etc., when similar effort along preventive lines would have equipped these same girls to have filled much needed positions years ago far towards settling the domestic service problem. We are standing in our own light without appearing to know it. Let us face about and bend our energies toward more practical educational methods.

As the grape season is with us, let us not fail to bottle a large amount of juice; if it is mixed with plums it gives variety in flavor. Many who can not use milk or cream find fruit juices agreeable and always nutritious and healthful. MARY A. MOODY.

If you receive two copies of the MESSAGE this month, please give the extra copy to a friend who does not take the paper and who will assist you in securing members.

Sincerely yours,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Nora, Ind.



### HADLEY SCHOOL "HAY RIDE."

On the morning of August 25 the thirty-one girls belonging to the Hadley School filled two large farm wagons, which were well filled with new hay from the Home farm. Umbrellas and lunch-baskets were in evidence and the merry party set out for a ride to Indianapolis, which they reached in time to give an entertainment the same evening.

The negotiations between the managers of the Home and the railroad officials for low rates proved so unsatisfactory that the hay ride was the only practical mode of conveyance at hand. A number of the W. C. T. U. women opened their houses to the girls and gave them a hearty welcome, so much so that the mother ties between the girls and their W. C. T. U. mothers have been strengthened.

The proceeds from the entertainment netted a sum sufficient to defray the expense of the trip, and the girls went home feeling that they had experienced much that was pleasant during this brief outing. A number of these girls have musical ability above the average. Others have the capacity sufficient to become educated for teachers, dressmakers, dairy-maids, horticulturists, etc. Is it not, after all, the patient, intelligent toilers, skilled in their departments of work, who are the greatest blessing to mankind?

Let us hope that all who met these talented, dependent girls will feel that the opportunity to help in higher development is a sacred trust that should be conscientiously worked out. These girls not only receive the physical training to fit them for useful places in life, but the saving grace of the gospel has been unfolded to them and embraced by them. With such an equipment, may we not expect that later in life these wards of ours will become useful citizens and will be higher in the scale of being for having this protected home?

### RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES OF HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, JULY AND AUGUST.

LaPorte.....	\$1 80	DuBois County....	\$2 93
Guilford.....	2 82	Coatsville.....	18
Shoals.....	1 05	Back Creek.....	1 00
Dunkirk.....	1 00	Jeffersonville.....	2 00
Blomington.....	4 50	Princeton.....	3 71
Cattle from Farm..	61 50	LaFayette Central	1 10
North East.....	1 00	Emma Joyce Un'n	1 18
Tarleton.....	2 00	Envelopes.....	50
Mrs. Nichol's picture.....	2 00	Cook books.....	50

#### EXPENSES.

Laundry work.....	\$50 00	Groceries.....	\$20 43
Colbert Griffin.....	40 00	Emergency fund...	10 00
M. O'Connor, groceries.....	15 84	Freight on coal.....	13 70

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

### TREASURERS.

A Treasurer's conference will be held during the State convention. It is quite necessary that every County and Local Treasurer should attend.

If for any cause your Local Treasurer needs assistance in the collection of dues, it becomes the duty of the Local President to see that a helper is given her.

Blanks were sent to County Treasurers the last week in August. If they have failed to reach you, notify me at once, that others may be sent.

Where counties are unorganized, dues should be sent direct to the State Treasurer.

If any Local Treasurer has not received her blanks send a card by first mail to the State Treasurer and one will be sent to you by first mail.

The State Treasurer's books close for the year, September 25. The time until then is short, but much work can be done in that time if we have a will to do it, and we certainly have. Indiana women are equal to any emergency and Indiana women greatly desire the return of the much loved banner.

The membership for the first three quarters of this year does not show so great a gain as it did during the first three quarters of last year. I am sure we all see the emergency and will act at once and secure as many members as possible.

Does your Union meet again before the close of the year? If not, call a meeting at once and plan for every member to give at least two days' work canvassing for new members. Be sure that the dues of every

other member is collected also. I am sure every member of your Union has a special friend she greatly desires to have become a member of your Union. Secure her now. Let no one think it is useless to make the effort. Go forth in prayer and faith and God will reward you accordingly.

With this effort it is possible for us to win the banner again. Will we make the effort, and receive the inspiration that comes to our work with it? This is a memorable year in the work of the W. C. T. U. Can we not make it doubly so in Indiana? Miss Willard offered a similar banner to the local and county Unions making the greatest net gain over the paid membership of last year. The local banner was won by an increase of only 85 members. The county banner was won by an increase of 127. Certainly our State can win both of these also. As a great inducement toward this end, the State will offer a free speech by one of the State officers or organizers to the Unions that secure ten paid-up members more than was paid for last year. For twenty more paid members than was paid for last year, two free speeches will be given. If any Union has already secured the ten or twenty, then in order to secure the free speeches, ten or twenty more must be secured after this letter reaches you. In each case traveling expenses and entertainment must be met by the Union, thus enabling you to have either of the State officers or organizers you may desire. Now, dear sisters, may we not have the earnest co-operation of every member of your Union right now? If so, great will be the victory, and we will again prove to our dear National officers that they can count on Indiana.

The State Convention will meet at Frankfort, in October. I am especially anxious that every county and local Treasurer should meet me in the Treasurer's conference to be held during the convention. With a firm belief that your Union will enter heartily upon the two or three days' crusade, I am hopefully and lovingly yours,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

### A LETTER FROM MRS. SQUIERS.

Am en route home from one month's work in DeKalb, Benton, Parke, Vigo and Knox counties. Most of my time has been spent in organizing, training and holding contests and giving public talks. The work was very hard this hot weather. Little Emma was with me, and each afternoon when she took her nap I lay down awhile and rested, else I could not have stood it. I secured a few new members for the Unions on the rounds and at Coatesville organized a Junior L. T. L. I was there one month ago and put the Y girls to studying the Senior L. T. L. work, and they are much interested in the work. So Coatesville virtually has both the Senior and Junior work. The W there is in good condition and booming, membership twenty-three. They are paying dues out of a common fund and have dues for fifteen paid. Mrs. Dr. Hope, President of W., took superintendency of Junior L. T. L., and Mrs. Dr. Hunt has charge of Y and Senior L. T. L. work. I have not come across any Y girls yet but what need the Senior L. T. L. work, and believe there are times when it is well to combine the two.

Held a contest with Coatesville Y girls at Coatesville Thursday night, and took remainder of class to Clayton for contest last night.

Have held seven contests this month. One at rum-cursed Rosedale, August 28, then took remainder of class to a mining camp near by and held a second contest. Will return to Rosedale again, when I hope to organize a Union. Things were not ripe for it yet.

I sometimes think there should be fewer and better organizing of Unions—maybe "Page's Glue" might make them stick—anyhow, it would be far better if more of them would "stick." At several places I met with the women, but nearly all of my time was spent with the young people. I met with kind receptions from the ministers and occupied some pulpit every Sunday. At two places the ministers arranged for a Union Gospel temperance service.

At St. Joe the service was held in their new public hall, and although the evening was hot, the hall was full and extra chairs were carried in. I was sick that night and had to sit while I talked, but had good attention throughout. Emma gave two selections at each public meeting and of course she had much to do with bringing out the people.

At one place where I held a contest, and also occupied the Methodist pulpit morning and evening, I was requested to touch Prohibition lightly. I was just a little easy in the morning talk, but found that a heavier dose went down with apparent relish at the evening service, and I believe the Gospel of Prohibition should be talked everywhere by the workers, and can be, without offense, if it is undertaken in the right way.

I have only given you snatches of my month's work, but enough for this time.

ADA L. SQUIERS.

Willard W. C. T. U., of Lexington, held a Silver Medal Contest at Scottsburg, August 22. Miss Carrie Pangburn received first prize and Miss Ella Lothrop, second prize.

The Union spent Saturday, September 1, at Clifty Falls, near Madison. After a bountiful dinner, the afternoon was spent in viewing the beautiful scenery until time for devotional exercises. We are so glad to hear of the good work that is being done for the temperance cause.

ELLA LOTHROP,  
Superintendent of Press Work.



## L. T. L.

Our beautiful new banner, with the faces of Misses Willard and Gordon on it, won by Kokomo Legion last year, will again be awarded to the Legion paying the greatest amount of dues over \$5.00, and the next greatest amount wins a picture of Miss Willard and the third reward is a year's subscription to our L. T. L. paper, *Young Crusader*.

I do so much desire to have each Legion pay dues this year. Lincolnville, Bath, West Richmond, Townsend, Indianapolis Central, Peru, Elwood and Kokomo, I hope each will add some more. The last three named have sent the highest amounts and Elwood and Kokomo are a tie.

Are you enlisting the little people under six years of age? See July MESSAGE for explanation of this Infant Grade, and put your W. C. T. U. to work enrolling the babies in the L. T. L. Send all L. T. L. dues to my address, and if possible, before September 25. Much can be accomplished before the Convention by quick, earnest effort. If your Legion has suspended meetings during heated term, call them together at once. If you have no Legion, organize one now. Make a strong effort to have the class complete the study of Volume I. and take the examination in time for our L. T. L. Convention at Frankfort and bring as many of them as possible to the convention to receive in person their diplomas from the State Leader. There is also a banner to be awarded to the largest class.

Graduates and those studying for a diploma are urged to attend the convention. We want each Legion represented. Frankfort will gladly entertain the girls and boys who come as delegates to this our sixth State Legion convention.

Remember, the reward this year for the largest list of individual subscribers to the *Young Crusader* is the book, *The Beautiful Life of Miss Willard*.

What are you doing to increase Indiana's subscription list? There is time yet to hold a Young Crusader Contest. Divide your Legion into two sections, after the old spelling match plan, with a leader to each section. Have stated time for close of contest. Obtain sample copies of W. T. P. A. Have some plan of reward for the winning side. The Young Crusader clubs with the MESSAGE at 45 cents and with the MESSAGE and *Union Signal* at \$1.25. Ask your W. C. T. U. Corresponding Secretary for L. T. L. report blank and report your work to me. Answer carefully, for instance, number of regular meetings. Please do not say "meet once a week," but give the number in figures; always give figures.

Yours in our effort to teach and train the girls and boys of Indiana to be what we want the women and men of to-day to be—to live total abstinence and vote prohibition.

MRS. K. T. A. STRAW,  
State L. T. L. Branch Secretary.

Mrs. Ada L. Squier and daughter Emma were at Frieslandville Aug. 25-26. The members think they were very fortunate in securing their services for a silver medal contest and a gospel temperance meeting, because the people of the town were much pleased with them. Everybody thinks little Emma is a wonderful child speaker. The Frieslandville women say, "Get Mrs. Squier and little Emma and the crowd comes."

**Grant County.** We sat with the Grant County Executive Committee meeting a few days ago. Mrs. Emmie Wilson, the County President, said in her opening remarks to the women: I have been your President for sixteen years. We have called the Executive, with few exceptions, twice a year and I have never missed but one Executive Meeting and one annual or semi-annual meeting. Eighteen members belong to this committee. Your county officers, two branch secretaries and twelve local Presidents. Eleven present and as we sat in this committee meeting and watched the transaction of business with method and speed and love, we did not wonder that Grant county flourished as a green bay tree. Some times when the women seemed a little too social with a smile and firmness Mrs. Wilson brought them back to business and as we listened to her wit, humor, persuasiveness and saw her great heart of love, we learned the secret of her having 500 followers. The strength of this county is never spent in cultivating differences, but as one woman they throw the battling ram of their power against the liquor traffic.

Mrs. E. M. Haughton, Richmond, will do any work for Unions on her way to and from Steuben county convention, 19 and 20 of September. Write Mrs. Haughton at once for terms and dates, County conventions, Diamond Medal Contests. Diamond Medal Contest at Dubois county convention, Jasper, September 19; Vanderburg county convention, Evansville, September 20. Knox county convention, Evansville, September 21; Kentucky and Illinois will join Indiana in making these classes. Dearborn county convention, Guilford, September 27; Perry county convention, Rome, September 13; Grant county convention, October —; Huntington county convention, Roanoke, October —; Franklin county convention, Brookfield, September 28; Marion county Central Avenue M. E. church, Indianapolis, September 25 and 26; Johnson county convention, Franklin, September 21; Ripley county convention, Milan, September 21 and 22; Jennings county convention, Butlerville, September 24 and 25.

## THE FUTURE.

The year is fast drawing to a close for the Indiana W. C. T. U. Our dear President has gone forward with the duties of her office this year, in direct opposition to the judgment of her physician, and every thing considered for the future of her home and family and her life, she cannot accept the position another year. You must choose another. This she wished me to say to you, dear co-workers, not having the heart to say it herself. No one can misjudge the motive. Her thought is not, in this crisis, of herself, but of the good of the work. MARY E. BALCH.

## AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

We do not know who did write the prayer chain pledge. Each individual may do as they please about signing it. If a woman can sign it and pray for Bryan she has the right, only it shows a woeful want of information. I signed the prayer chain pledge and I pray for John G. Woolley, and have no apology to make to any one. I have promised God to do my best to give every woman the same opportunity to sign the pledge if she wishes to. MARY E. BALCH.

## CONCERNING CIGARETTES.

Leeches, when applied to persistent cigarette smokers, drop off dead, distinct traces of the dangerous empyreumatic oil given off by tobacco being found in them.

## EXTRACTS FROM THE ANNUAL ADDRESS OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT, MRS. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS, DELIVERED BEFORE THE NATIONAL CONVENTION AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, LAST FALL.

## THE NAVY.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Feb. 3, 1899. After mature deliberation, the Department has decided that it is for the best interest of the service that the sale or issue to enlisted men of malt or other alcoholic liquors on board ships of the navy, or within the limits of naval stations, be prohibited.

"Therefore, after the receipt of this order, commanding officers and commandants are forbidden to allow any malt or other alcoholic liquor to be sold to or issued to enlisted men, either on board ship, or within the limits of navy yards, naval stations, or marine barracks, except in the medical department.

JOHN D. LONG,  
Secretary.

Secretary Long has stated that the order I have just read was given at the solicitation of the naval officers, but it may be well to remember that he is a total abstainer, a believer in the principle of prohibition and so we may confidently believe that this order is not likely to be reversed, and we record it as a great victory on the right side of the temperance reform.

## THE CANTEN.

I do not wish to encroach too much upon the ground of the Superintendent of the Department of Legislation and Petitions, but the canteen story cannot be too often repeated. Each time we read the bill passed by Congress banishing the drink canteen from the army we are renewedly amazed that anyone, whatever his personal opinion might be regarding the use of strong drink, could place such construction upon its words as that of Attorney General Griggs, supported by Ex-Secretary Alger.

Let us here read the bill in the light of this morning in the presence of those whose intellects are strong and whose hearts are moved by highest impulses.

"Section 17. That no officer or private soldier shall be detailed to sell intoxicating drinks, as a bartender or otherwise, in any post exchange or canteen, nor shall any other person be required or allowed to sell such liquors in any encampment or fort or on any premises used for military purposes by the United States, and the Secretary of War is hereby directed to issue such general order as may be necessary to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect.

Sec. 18. That all laws or parts of laws which conflict which the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Fortunately for our cause, the temperance societies and leading temperance people are not alone in condemning such anarchical nullification of law as that portrayed in the reversal of this order. Senator Frye, President of the United States Senate, writes: "I do not believe that the language of the bill is susceptible of the limitation which the Attorney General puts upon it, and I feel that I know that the Senate had no such intention."

Many similar expressions have been given by other leading Congressmen. The religious papers, to a great extent the secular press, the clergy and the religious conferences, all join in condemnation of the action. We cannot wonder at the statement made by a friendly paper in England: "It is humiliating to find the American people so densely ignorant. Senators, Congressmen, lawyers, preachers, editors, college professors and the masses had read the act, and in their blindness supposed that it meant what it said, when to their exceeding surprise and utter humiliation, they are informed by the Attorney-General that it doesn't mean what it says at all."

## Y. W. C. T. U.

State Y Secretary has visited the South Marion Y and plans were under headway to visit the Frazier Y, but was postponed on account of the death of Mr. Collins, the father of the President of the Y. Let us pray that God will bind up the broken and bleeding hearts of those dear ones.

Point Isabel was visited from Marion on the 8th and 9th of August. Two evening meetings and one afternoon, where a few of the W's and Y's met and plans for more systematic work among the young people can be accomplished, with such earnest women to help the girls, we hope it may be one of the best in interest and numbers in the State.

On the 14th Greentown, Howard County, was visited, two evening meetings and one afternoon being held, where the Y's were painfully absent, much to the sorrow of the Secretary, who, though she gives her very life, cannot help unless there is co-operation of the workers. The President, Miss Turner, and Y Secretary, Mrs. Lottie Vanbibber, and some interested ladies in the W, held a Conference which we feel was of great value.

Sycamore was next and the last place on the route in Howard County, and it was our privilege to be entertained in the home of Mrs. Outland, the County President. How her heart yearns for the young people to enlist in this grand work! An afternoon and evening meeting was held at Sycamore, but unfortunately the State Secretary was quite ill, and not of as much service as she ought to have been. May it be the good fortune of other sick and tired workers to have the benediction of Mr. and Mrs. Outland's home to rest upon them, and may the children of those noble people rise up and call them blessed.

Goodland, Lowell and Lochiel had to be disappointed on account of Miss Sears' illness, who is still under her physician's care.

Treasurers of local Unions, do all in your power to collect dues from every member in your Union and if it seems an impossibility give a lawn social or something and raise the dues. Our Miss Clara Parrish, National Secretary of Y. W. C. T. U. work, is at home, and let us bring up our membership as welcome home to her. The new Y Almanac will be in the hands of Miss Sears in a few days now. How many does your local Union want? Price 25 cents apiece. Girls, they make lovely birthday or Christmas remembrances, tied with a white ribbon. Send your order soon, as we have a limited number. Be sure and elect your delegates to the State Convention by September 15. Send your President, sure. Pray for our State officers each day till the convention, and for our delegates to be given wisdom to plan the work for the State. Lovingly and prayerfully

CLARA M. SEARS.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

I trust you are all getting your September reports in readiness, for I am anxious that you shall all be heard from in the coming convention. Do not hesitate to report the little things; many fail to send reports because they have so little to report, and thus are counted as dead or asleep. There are many Unions that I have not heard from. Please let me hear from you before the year closes. I received a question circular from our World's and National Superintendent in which she says: "Please do not in any case give an indefinite answer to any question. For instance, it will not do to answer a question in such words 'some,' 'not many,' 'a few,' etc. We must have figures. If you are not able to be exact, please give approximate figures. We are sure you will do all in your power to make these reports a success." In addition to the questions upon the report blanks, please notice the following, as the National Superintendent desires them answered:

Have your Unions emphasized the following lines of work for 1900?

1. Have crusade meetings been held?
2. Have the foundations of our work been prominent in public meetings? Those outlined were our sure and only reliance upon the Holy Spirit and the Word of God; the earnest invitation to a personal Christ; the duty of total abstainers; the presentation of the pledge; the convention evangelistic hour from eleven to twelve a. m.; the noontide prayer. Report any evangelistic work done by your Union not included in the above questions.
3. Has rescue work been prominent?
4. How many temperance addresses have you given before conventions or regular meetings of Christian Endeavor and Epworth League Societies?
5. Have you made effort to restore the Bible to the public schools?
6. How many outdoor services?
7. How many visits made by Union?

You see the desire of our National Superintendent. Let us grant her request by answering as fully as we possibly can the foregoing questions, in addition to the ones on the blanks. I have not been able to write to you as it has been in my heart to do, because I have given so much time to revival work, and have been out of the State eleven weeks besides. Any time that you desire special help, let me know and I will do my utmost to aid you. I trust you are all growing in grace and in the knowledge of God and are being helpful to all about you. "God bless you, and make you a blessing," is the desire of your Superintendent,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.



## THE VALUE PROF. MR. ATWATER'S EXPERIMENTS.

Some twelve months ago, Prof. Atwater began a series of experiments with alcohol on a man under conditions wholly unnatural. The man was shut up in a metal box, careful attention given to ventilation and exercise, and in addition to a diet of wholesome food, two and one-half ounces of alcohol was given him daily for six days. This is the amount usually contained in three glasses of whisky or one bottle of wine, and was given him in six doses: three at meal time and three between meals.

The results of the experiments have been widely published and defended by Prof. Atwater as authoritative and final. He claims that in the case of the man experimented on, the alcohol was oxidized in the body, liberating heat and energy, as sugar, fats and starch, but admits the heat was not stored in the body as in the case of sugar, fats and starch.

The question is purely a scientific one; the issue on which side of an imaginary line shall alcohol be placed? On this particular point Prof. Atwater seems desirous that the children of America be taught the whole truth, and denounced the teachings from the pulpit, Sunday schools and the text-books in the public schools as false and erroneous, because they teach that alcohol is a poison and not a food. In the same article in which he states that alcohol is a food, because in small quantities it is oxidized in the body, he has much to say of the injurious effects of the excessive use of alcohol, saying that it is the most serious problem with which sociologists, physiologists and philanthropists of to-day have to deal.

That alcohol creates an uncontrollable and destructive appetite for itself is a fact too well established to be refuted.

C. A. Green, M. D., says: "I am assured from observation extending through fifty years of professional life, that two and one-half ounces of alcohol (the amount that Prof. Atwater gave to the man in the calorimeter), or the equivalent in the finest brandies, whiskies, wines or ales, used daily for a period of time at all extended, will not fail to make an alcohol habitue of the most finely endowed man or woman in the world."

That alcohol is oxidized in the body, the same can be said of other poisons, such as morphia, strychnia, muscarine, etc., which are oxidized in the body, liberating heat and energy, but other bad effects show that such oxidation proves nothing in their favor, neither does it in alcohol. To state that alcohol liberates heat and energy in the body and to say in that connection no more of its heat and energy producing powers, is to state half-truths. Scientists tell us that an increased number of heat units are evolved by alcohol, but at the same time it so paralyzes the nerves in the walls of the blood vessels that an unnatural amount of blood rushing to the surface is thereby cooled and more heat is radiated from the body of the drinker than alcohol liberates. These easily demonstrated facts leave alcohol no place whatever as a fuel-food. The energy that the oxidation of alcohol in the body liberates is of brief duration, and under such poor nerve control that working ability as a whole is so much impaired by alcohol that business to-day demands total abstinence of its employees.

Therefore, both science and experience deny to alcohol any food values as a supporter of energy.

Prof. C. A. Heurter, chemist, physician and professor of pathological chemistry in Bellevue Medical School, New York, says: "One fails to find any support for the view that alcohol protected the materials of the body like sugar, starch, fats, etc., in the report of Prof. Atwater, according to his own figures."

This view of Prof. Heurter is supported by Prof. Seneca Egbert, M. D., Professor of Physiology in one of the great medical colleges in Philadelphia, also by Prof. Frank Woodbury, M. D., a well-known writer of therapeutics, who is connected with another of the medical colleges of Philadelphia, and Winfield T. Hall, Professor of Physiology in one of the medical colleges of Chicago.

All the evidence offered by Prof. Atwater in support of his charge has been very carefully gone over by leading scientists, representing physiological chemistry, physiology, hygiene and therapeutics, and they are unanimous in showing he did not prove his claim. The half-truths, however, have been eagerly seized upon by the opponents of total abstinence and the liquor organs and one religious periodical, at least, have been widely publishing and circulating them.

A Chicago paper states, that a few days after Prof. Atwater made his report of these experiments before the convention of school superintendents held in that city February 27 to March 1, that Loa Jorgensen answered a charge of disorderly in the East Chicago Avenue Police Courts yesterday, with the plea that he had not been drinking but eating, and as evidence, placed a small half-filled bottle of "food" before Justice Kersten. He was asked what he meant by bringing whisky into the Court. "That is not whisky," said the prisoner, "that is food. I must submit that you cannot send me to the Bridewell for eating too much. Prof. Atwater, of the Wesleyan University, told the Educational Conference that whisky is a food. He says that you cannot deny food value in whisky, and that it is oxidized just like bread and meat. When I read that I got hungry, and went out for a couple of slices of whisky and a piece of brandy." "He had eaten a quart or two before I picked him up," said Policeman Klinger. The Justice adopted the food theory, and discharged the prisoner.

The St. Louis Medical Brief says: "The official announcement of Prof. Atwater is calculated to mislead and do great harm. Therefore the medical profession must exert itself to counteract its influence by teaching the true effects and insidious workings of alcohol in the body."

Most nobly have the physicians responded to the call of the hour in this respect. Since the first of January, leading medical journals of the United States have published long articles and editorials, all affirming that Atwater has not proved that alcohol is a food.

Prof. Atwater has been very unfortunate in his public statements and is everywhere understood to contend that alcohol is a food. He now assigns it a very limited food value, and in his Chicago address stoutly denies ever having called it a food. At great cost of time, money and labor, these experiments have been most carefully and scientifically made. What good has accrued? What the value? Has not an impetus been given our glorious cause? Was there ever such arrest of thought? Ever such great search lights turned upon the subject as now? My sisters! Friends! Out of the conservative East has arisen a giant whose semblance closely bears the marks of one from the camp of the Philistines—tell it not in Gath, his helmet for his head is brass, his coat of mail, and indeed his whole armor is altogether brazen. From a high position this Goliath did arise and go out against the White Ribbon Army and their allies, threatening and defying them, wagging his head and saying, "Aha! I will make short work of you!" Why are you come out to set your battle array? By a master chemical experiment I will break down your fortresses and bulwarks. Worse than wasted, those long years of untiring energy and ceaseless toil expended in securing scientific temperance instruction in the schools. The children of this land must be taught the whole truth concerning King Alcohol, under whose dominion they are. I will prove that the teachings of the pulpit, of the Sunday schools and public schools are false and erroneous."

The White Ribbon army fears not, neither is it dismayed. With an unflinching trust in the leadership of Him who is unerring wisdom, they have gone from conquest to conquest in a way that is wonderful. Again and again have they had occasion to thank God and take courage and rejoice over fields won. Only in December last, in the face of this Goliath's defiance, the grand old state of Virginia wheeled into line and with an overwhelming majority voted Scientific Temperance Instruction for the children of her public schools. One of the great epochs which mark the closing years of the nineteenth century, is the temperance educational movement, which has resulted in the legislative enactments of forty-three states and the National Congress making physiological temperance a compulsory study for over 16,000,000 children of school age in the United States. And I want to tell you, my sisters, that the day of this enactment was a decisive battle, the Waterloo where King Alcohol meets his defeat.

For that wise, matchless woman, who has been so largely instrumental in securing these laws, can we say too much? Can any one conceive of a woman's doing such work unless it be given her of God? Anointed and equipped for this special service, it sometimes seems to me that the mother love of a whole nation had been focused and rolled upon her great heart; so true has she been to this sacred trust. So inseparably has her very life been interwoven in this work for the children of America that I feel it is scarcely a digression, when in this connection I refer to the World's and National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instructor, Mrs. Mary H. Hunt. How bravely and how ably, too, has she defended the attacks of Professor Atwater. In her reply to him before the convention of school superintendents in Chicago, after meeting all his arguments, in conclusion she said, "Gentlemen, as to the personal allusions I will only say, I have long since ceased trying to defend myself in this cause. Whoever attempts to advocate an unwelcome truth, which rebukes a popular evil, will find he is treading the paths martyrs have trod. Such an one will be battle-scarred. I make no apology in this presence for having been instrumental in securing the condition in the United States that places 16,000,000 school children under temperance education laws. No one could do that without meeting opposition and of the kind that will turn and strike back. To this I make no reply. A nation saved from the thralldom of strong drink through its schools and school children, will be the abundant reward." Among the women of the nineteenth century there hath not arisen a braver, nobler, truer, than Mary H. Hunt. The same omnipotent hand that has led and guided her all the way will take care of this glorious cause.

From the progressive, breezy, achieving West, God has raised up a David, a man skilled in all the wisdom and learning of two continents, of such colossal intellect and scholarly attainments as to more than equal the Goliath from the East.

This able defender of the truth is Dr. Winfield S. Hall, Professor of Physiology, North Western University Medical School, Chicago.

Side by side with him in scientific research goes his highly educated beautiful wife, who also makes a specialty of Physiology and Hygiene.

In a series of articles, Dr. Hall has gone over the whole question and proved the fallacy of Atwater's experiments and testifies as a specialist in physiology that the physiological teachings of our text books are correct.

Has he not come into the kingdom for such a time as this?

Considering all the arguments which have been presented, there can be no question that Prof. Atwater has the worst of it, and it is not at all necessary to play with the worm of the still to prove that it is dangerous.

Mrs. DOROTHY L. WEAVER,  
State Superintendent S. T. I., Texas W. C. T. U.  
Fort Worth, Texas.

This paper was read before representatives from eleven States, in the W. C. T. U. Institute, at Bay View Assembly Institute, July 24, 1900.

## "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White,"

A beautiful Temperance Song. Words by Mrs. Nellie Stanley. Music by Mrs. A. W. Skelton. Price, 30 cents. All orders from the Secretaries of the W. C. T. U. Societies filled on receipt of half price, by referring to this ad.

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## TOBACCO AND LIQUOR ARITHMETIC.

"Boy at the head of the class, what are we paying for liquor as a nation?"

"\$900,000,000 annually."

"Step to the blackboard, my boy. First take a rule and measure this silver dollar. How thick is it?"

"Nearly an eighth of an inch."

"Well, sir, how many of them can you pile in an inch?"

"Between eight and nine."

"Give it the benefit of the doubt and call it nine. How many inches would it require to pile up these \$900,000,000?"

"100,000,000 inches."

"How many feet would that be?"

"8,333,333 feet."

"How many rods is that?"

"505,050 rods."

"How many miles is that?"

"1,578 miles."

"Miles of what?"

—Tobacco Gem.

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, will be in Indiana in October. She will be at liberty to make addresses between the 7th and 14th of the month. Her terms are \$25 and entertainment. Where appointments are made at no great distance apart her terms are \$20 and entertainment. Those wishing to secure her services should write at once to Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

## TAKE NOTICE.

There will be four Star Spangled prize banners awarded at our National Convention in Washington. They will be given to Local, County, District and State Unions for the largest net gain of members; that is, the largest gain over and above losses. Subtract the number of members for which dues were paid last year from the number for which dues were paid this year and you will have the net gain.—Union Signal.

## ATTENTION! SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

September 23 is our next Quarterly Temperance Sunday. Lesson Topic—"The Duty of Watchfulness." Lesson Text—Luke 12:35-46. Read Luke 12:35-5-9. Golden Text—"Watch and Pray, that Ye Enter not into Temptation."

Line of Thought—A warning and command comes to all. Watch!

Please send a detailed report of all work done upon that day under your supervision, immediately after, and I can embody it in the State report, also in the National report. In order to appear in my report, your's must be sent as soon after the 23d as possible.

ALICE G. GEARY,  
State Superintendent.

## NATIONAL DELEGATES.

The counties making the greatest gain in membership will appoint the National Delegates and their alternates. See minutes. It was the action of last year's Convention.

Treasurers should at once look after the dues. Books close September 25. Every member of the Union should look about her for a new member. How tremendous seems the task to get five thousand new members—how easy when we explain it only takes one member for each of the rank and file, and allow for any who are sick. May the Lord impress us with this duty, get One New Member. One new member for each will give our State a rousing victory, just what we need when the campaign fires rage as now.

In the public meetings held by the W. C. T. U. the singing of "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White," will add greatly to the interest, particularly if sung by a male voice.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## A DAY WELL SPENT.

"If we sit down at set of sun,  
And count the things that we have done,  
And counting find  
One self-denying act, one word  
That eased the heart of him who heard;  
One glance most kind  
That fell like sunshine where it went,  
Then we may count the day well spent.  
But if through all the livelong day  
We've eased no hearts by yea or nay;  
If through it all  
We've nothing done that we can trace  
That brought the sunshine to a face;  
No act most small  
That helped some soul and nothing cost,  
Then count that day as worse than lost."  
—W. C. T. U. Messenger.

State W. C. T. U. Convention, Frankfort, October 19-23.

National W. C. T. U. Convention, Washington, D. C., November 30 to December 5.

The State Loyal Temperance Legion Convention will be held at Frankfort, Oct. 19-23, in connection with the State W. C. T. U. Convention.

Each Union is expected to send 50 cents to the State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, to help local Committee of Entertainment at Frankfort.

The National speakers at our State convention will be Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, National and World's Superintendent of Scientific Temperance, and Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, President of the Kentucky W. C. T. U. and Assistant Recording Secretary of the National W. C. T. U. Besides these we expect to welcome one of Indiana's faithful workers in past years, Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, one of our 'round-the-world missionaries. Miss Palmer has very recently come to Indiana and is with her mother at Franklin.

Delegates to the State Convention, ask your home ticket agent to have certificates on hand, so that when you buy your ticket to Frankfort and pay full fare, he can give you a certificate, which will entitle you to return home at one-third regular fare.

Each Union is entitled to representation in the annual convention by the president, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty regular members whose dues have been paid. Special rates will be made at hotels for visiting delegates to the State Convention.

Bring the young people with you to the convention. Youth is energetic and enthusiastic and will get inspiration from a great State convention.

All members of the State Executive Committee and others who arrive in Frankfort on Thursday are expected to bring lunch with them and go to the Methodist church.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

The annual reports come in slowly; some of the old Unions not heard from. I am sorry to say the Y's have not made a gain this year. Eleven Y Unions and branches reported organized this year have not paid dues.

There will be a Y conference on Saturday morning and all Y delegates are urged to be on time for the roll call at 8 o'clock.

Miss Maud Baker, an Indianapolis Y and the possessor of a diamond medal, is out organizing and holding medal contests.

Madison County convention was held at Alexandria, Sept. 26 and 27. The young people were enlisted and 15 names secured for a Y Union on Monday evening. Miss Clara M. Sears, State Secretary, returned and organized a Union of 28 members, and the co-operation of the young men made it possible for this Union. President, Miss Agnes Ross; Vice-President, Miss Bessie Bertsche; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Grace Nelson; Recording Secretary, Mr. Edgar Leeson; Treasurer, Mr. Frank Shaul.

Bedford Y, the new organization of July, paid for twenty members.

Goshen Y has increased.

The new State Programs will be at the convention and handed out to the Y workers, so that we may all begin together.

Let every Y Union and Y Branch in the State be represented at Frankfort on Oct. 19. Especially is it desired that you be ready for Saturday morning and also for Saturday night, the Y night.

Spend as much time as possible in prayer for our World, National and State workers and for a special blessing on the Y conference. CLARA M. SEARS.

The following petition has been sent to Washington by the National W. C. T. U.: "Statements are appearing in the public press to the effect that houses of prostitution are being established, maintained and inspected in the Philippine Islands for the use of our soldiers by the consent of the army authorities of those islands or under their direct supervision. We are unwilling to believe that our government will allow to be introduced among the soldiers that infamous

system which brought such just contempt upon England when the condition of affairs in India became known to the world. We beg the President of these United States and the Secretary of War to see to it that no such stigma is allowed to attach itself to our beloved land. To this end, the prayer of three hundred thousand members of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union is, that immediate steps may be taken to prohibit the licensing of such houses, or the making of any provision whatever for their existence in any of the territory under the jurisdiction of the United States. We protest with all possible emphasis against our government's regulating vice in any form, and more especially, if that were possible, against anything calculated to foster that crime which degrades its citizens, destroys the purity of the family and deteriorates the race."—Union Signal.

## DROP THAT CIGARETTE.

"Drop that cigarette, Mr. Gould," exclaimed E. H. Harriman, chairman of the executive meeting of the board of directors of the Union Pacific railroad, a few days ago. He was speaking to George J. Gould, the millionaire director of the company, the man whose father some years ago made a clean sweep of every director in the corporation, from Charles Francis Adams down, because they had displeased him.

Mr. Gould was astounded. He glanced out of the window of the company's office to see if the world had come to an end.

"I mean it," said Mr. Harriman, severely. "I have just issued an order prohibiting cigarette smoking by any employee of the Union Pacific railroad. You are an employee of the company—you get \$10 every time you come here. So kindly put away that cigarette."

Millionaire Gould recovered from the state of daze into which he had been thrown. Then he slowly dropped his cigarette.

Then Mr. Harriman, who objects to smoking of any kind, announced that he thought men should not be directors in companies and make rules for others if they can't obey the rules themselves.—Chicago Times-Herald.

## PASS IT ON.

Dr. Sothard is responsible for this gratifying bit of news: At a medical banquet recently held in Philadelphia, two hundred military surgeons used for their drink nothing stronger than Apollinaris water, and that the National Medical Association recently gathered in banquets, numbering thirteen hundred, and not one drop of intoxicating drinks were served. Verily the day for which the temperance hosts have worked and prayed will surely come, perhaps sooner than we think.

## THE ARMY CANTEEN.

Surgeon General Sternberg does not believe in the army canteen. He says: "The theory that the soldier needs a beer canteen to keep him from going to outside saloons for something stronger is all wrong. There is nothing in it. On the contrary, a great many young soldiers who are not accustomed to drink, contract drinking habits at these canteens and are ruined. There is no need whatever for intoxicating drinks at these canteens and it will be a good thing for the army if they are abolished."

It is said that beer barrels are now being made with aluminum linings for the protection of the barrels. What is needed is such a contrivance for the beer-drinker's stomach.—Selected.

The coming to Indianapolis on October 8th of Hon. John G. Woolley, Prohibition candidate for President, and other distinguished members of his party in a special train which has been carrying them over the country, was made the occasion for a great all-day Prohibition rally. During the day the meetings were interesting and enthusiastic. At the evening meeting Tomlinson Hall was filled to overflowing with people eager to hear and see the Prohibition candidate. The speakers of the evening were Prof. Samuel Dickie, Attorney Wilson Doan and Hon. John G. Woolley. The Prohibition cause has moved rapidly on. The most conservative friends say this was the greatest day for Prohibition ever known in Indianapolis.

Let us come together strong in purpose and with "faith that makes faithful," never doubting the ultimate victory over the legalized liquor business and its appalling trail of iniquity.

The New Crusade will be known in the future as American Mother.

## STATE CONVENTION.

The time for our State Convention at Frankfort is fast approaching. Our hearts thrill as we think of that time of sweet, sisterly association—of the many we love who will be there. We always count on our noble band of State Superintendents to be early. Every County President will be needed. Because she has no special place assigned on the program does not lessen our need of her, nor the obligation she owes her county women to represent them in the State Executive Committee. Every local President will be needed. Let nothing trivial, as we count the things pertaining to the uplift of humanity, prevent a local President from attending. If a woman has been selected as a delegate by her local Union, we want her to feel that the cause needs her best thinking and help at the convention.

Please, dear sisters, do come to Frankfort to help make this convention the very best ever held in our State. Come praying that God will use each one of us for His honor and glory in this warfare against the invaders and despoilers of our homes.

Mrs. Barricklow, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for our State Convention at Frankfort, has been taken very sick and is unable to serve longer. Mrs. Frances Boyer has been appointed as chairman of the committee in her place.

Send, promptly, the names of all delegates to Mrs. Frances Boyer.

The women of Frankfort are faithfully and loyally working and planning to make our stay in their city pleasant. Visiting delegates will not be entertained, but they can find good accommodations by applying to Mrs. Boyer.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Executive Committee will meet October 18, 1 p. m., in the Basement of the Convention Church, entrance at the side door on Wabash Street.

The Board of Superintendents will meet at 7:00 p. m., October 18, in the room to the left out of the Basement.

Y conference Saturday morning, 7:30. Further conferences announced from the platform. L. T. L. conferences announced from the platform.

Treasurers and Secretaries will meet Saturday in Basement, 8:00 a. m.

The counties which elect delegates to the National Convention will meet in their regular seats in the Convention room, 1:00 p. m., October 19.

Prayer meetings each morning from 8 to 9 in Audience Room of the Church, except Saturday morning.

Executive Committee Meeting, Monday morning, 7:45 a. m., in the Basement Room.

The Railroad Secretary will be present on Monday morning to sign certificates. Any one leaving before securing this signature to their railroad certificate cannot receive the reduction in fare.

Miss Elizabeth Fisher, Delphi, will read a ten minutes' paper on Dress Reform, 4:30 p. m., Monday, October 22. This is an hour when teachers and pupils from the High School and city schools can attend.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

A Legion in the state of Kansas recently published in the daily paper the names of all its members and put a copy in the vault of the city bank, not to be taken out for ten years. At the end of that time it will be interesting to note the status of the members of the Legion. And this reminds us of the fact that one of our Indiana L. T. L's placed a box containing names of pledged members and other data in their city bank in December, 1890, to remain ten years. As the time has nearly expired we hope to hear a very interesting report from their box opening.

We heard of a Legion who has a "kindness meeting" every little while in which the members report acts of kindness they have witnessed.

Mrs. V. F. Cox, National Superintendent Sabbath Observance Department, has ready a card containing a Sabbath pledge and leaflets for use of children and young people. Write her at Tabor, New Jersey.

No L. T. L. worker can afford to overlook the Senior L. T. L. page now appearing monthly in the Union Signal, and edited by our beloved National Superintendent, Helen G. Rice, who makes it helpful and suggestive.

Read it, and send on your own bright thoughts to help others.

The prospects for our coming State League Convention are quite promising. Let us all pray earnestly that this convention may bring a great uplift to our organization; also that the Indiana W. C. T. U. may awaken as never before to their great responsibility of teaching and training the girls and boys.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW.



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All communications intended for the *MESSAGE* should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

OCTOBER, 1900.

## ATTENTION, SUPERINTENDENTS!

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS—In order that superintendents' reports be printed previous to State convention and that extra copies be brought to the State convention for free distribution, it will be necessary for your reports to be in the hands of the Secretary more than five days before the opening of the convention. Now, a word to the wise is sufficient, and I am sure our superintendents are of the wise.

Let county and local superintendents bear in mind that the State constitution says all reports must be in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days previous to State convention, and if there is a little "hurrying up" all along the line, reports, I am sure, will come in nicely.

Now, do not send in reports to your Secretary as they come from the counties, expecting her (or the printer) to compile them, but have them in perfect readiness for the annual report, and then "all things shall work together for good." Yours kindly,

MATTIE O. CAMMACK-GIBSON,  
State Recording Secretary.

## CONVENTION NOTES.

We feel sure no Union will forget the 50 cents Convention Fund. If you have not sent it, please take it with you. It will be needed.

Delegates will pay for their dinners and suppers; prices, 20 and 15 cents.

Frankfort Union will pay for the dinner and supper on Sunday. The meals will be served conveniently near—place will be announced from platform.

Memorial services Monday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock, Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger in charge. Please hand the names of your promoted comrades to Mrs. Vayhinger or send them by letter.

## RESOLUTION COMMITTEE FOR 1900.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty; Mrs. Margaret M. Smith, Bath; Mrs. Martha Riser, North Manchester; Mrs. Phebe Curryer, Indianapolis; Miss Eliza Baker, Otterbein. Send or hand your resolutions to any member of this committee.

Counties represented in the oratorical contest for a diamond medal: Pike, DuBois, Shelby, Huntington, Morgan, Grant, Marion and Vigo.

## TAKE NOTICE.

Our County Secretaries and Treasurers, also local Secretaries and Treasurers, as much as within them to do so, should be at the convention, because of their conference Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Chairmen of local committees were announced in the September *MESSAGE*.

## CHAIRMEN OF LOCAL COMMITTEES FOR STATE CONVENTION AT FRANKFORT.

Entertainment, Mrs. Frances Boyer; Lunch, Mrs. Nannie Clark, 458 John Street; Sunday Services, Mrs. Emma Saylor, 600 Walnut Street; Railroad, Mrs. M. E. Baker, 406 E. Armstrong Street; Press, Mrs. Frankie Hinds, 248 West Green Street; Decoration, Mrs. Emma Condon, 603 South Jackson Street; Music, Mrs. Kate Adams, 550 East Walnut Street; Finance, Mrs. Anna Campbell, Washington Avenue, Frankfort, Ind.; Ushers and Pages, Mrs. Angie Morris, Mrs. Minnie Dougherty, Mrs. Emma Carter, West Washington Street; Bus Lines, Mrs. J. W. Lawson, East Walnut Street; Courtesies, Mrs. Elizabeth Dwyer, North Main Street.

## PRESS SUPERINTENDENTS.

The people of Indiana are eager and anxious to learn more of the work of the W. C. T. U. and of the progress it is making. The newspapers, of the State stand ready with their open columns to help educate the public all along our lines of work. But we must do our part. Now is the time to appoint Press Superintendents for next year. Let every union consider this of utmost importance. Many strong temperance adherents tell us that they received the first "arrest

of thought" through reading some article, item or even sentence pointed with a temperance truth. Many a woman will read with interest the W. C. T. U. items, reports, etc., when she would not think of attending a meeting of the union. The more she reads and hears of the plans and achievements of this great body of women, the greater becomes her respect for the organization itself and thus gradually creeps in a desire to become "one with it" and "lend a hand."

Keep all knowledge of your work from the newspapers and the public will soon conclude that you have died or gone out of business. Keep your work before the people and you will do good and prosper.

Report blanks have been sent to all the county Superintendents and to local Superintendents where there is no county Superintendent. If any one has been overlooked please notify me at once. Will Presidents of local unions without press Superintendents, but where items concerning the W. C. T. U. have appeared (institute write-ups, for instance), in the papers, and kindly report to me the number of columns or approximate number published? The clippings sent from each local union should be pasted in column form on strips of muslin. This the county Superintendent will attach to that received from the other unions and send in one long strip to the State Superintendent. This plan for use of clippings originated in Indiana and was considered so practical by our National Superintendent that this year it was recommended to all states. Our Indiana roll of clippings one column wide measured over seven hundred feet for the last six months of last year, and won for our State the Silver Press Star from the National.

By action of the State Central Committee the length of obituary notices for the *MESSAGE* is limited to one hundred words.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Nora, Ind.



The Hadley School Managers have been passing through a period of testing of faith and loyalty to Hadley School, but this passage of Scripture comes forcibly to mind: "Whosoever putteth his hand to the plow and looketh back, is not fit for the kingdom of heaven."

We take fresh courage and feel that we are not working in vain. Whatever is done to educate, elevate and christianize the young is not lost. Their minds are plastic and receptive and their souls are imperishable. A knowledge of these facts should inspire to greater efforts. Early impressions are lasting, and we feel that it is imperative that we should select as employees persons of good character and high ideals.

Our day school has started under the leadership of Miss Mary Pearson, of Fairmount, who is a graduate of the same school as was Miss Myrtle Davis, our devoted teacher for last term. Miss Davis is now a missionary in Mexico. We expect good influences and conscientious work to characterize the teaching of Miss Pearson.

Some of our Unions have failed to send in the amount of money expected of them for the support of this school. Such failure means hard times for the providers of this home school. We hope it is a mere oversight and will be corrected in part before State Convention, as we wish to reduce our indebtedness as much as possible before closing our books. Surely all will want a hand in this work of elevation, remembering that it is "more blessed to give than to receive."

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## FIELD NOTES.

The Peru Y was entertained at the home of the County President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer. A program and refreshments occupied the evening. A list of the new officers: President, Miss Clara Worl, Peru; Vice-President, Miss Ora Harrison, Peru; Secretary, May Miller, Peru; Treasurer, Bertha Kidd, Peru.

Program Committee—Clayton Dukes, Grace Chandler and Stella Wilhelm.

Leader in Parliamentary Law, Rev. Oliver.

Mrs. Teats, in Indiana, gave thirty-four lectures. Secured ninety-five regular and honorary members and received invitations to come again from most places on her return west. Considers the interest good.

Delaware County has a new President, Mrs. Ella Bond, Muncie. Thirty-three delegates in attendance at the convention.

Knox County has a new President, Mrs. Nellie Virtue Chambers, Westphalia.

Mt. Vernon has not failed to meet weekly and sent out eighty prohibition papers in the county. Date of County Convention, October 5th.

Fulton County held a Gold Contest at its convention and changed its President. Mrs. Jessie Toner is now the officer in charge. Miss Figley, of Pleasant Lake, won the medal.

Mrs. Alma Shaw, of Ashley, is President of Steuben County.

Randolph County elected Mrs. Carrie Tomlinson, Winchester, President. The county has new unions at Ridgeville, Lynn and Carlos City as a result of Mrs. Gibson's two weeks' visit.

Miss Zerrilda Kimberling, Winterrond, will lead the forces of Shelby County this coming year.

Several counties are meeting in convention too late for the October *MESSAGE*.

Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart, has sent in sixty-four subscriptions to the *MESSAGE* and ten to the *Union Signal*.

Miss I. C. DeVelling held eighteen meetings in Johnson County and spent several days in Dearborn county.

The Lebanon *Daily Reporter* says: "To-day Indiana stands far in advance of every other state in the nation in Institute work. This is due to the unswerving faith of Miss Mary Hadley in the membership of the W. C. T. U., which led her to plan broadly and encourage the doubting to go on, until to-day the W. C. T. U.'s are the wonder and pride of the nation as Institute workers."

Our dear Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley has been very ill for months; has suffered greatly from inflammatory rheumatism; has been unable to walk, but is slowly gaining. She says to tell the loyal women of the State who have written to her, and whose letters are still unanswered, that she will be unable to do any platform work.

In the Recording Secretary's notes of State Central Committee meeting, in last issue, an error occurs, stating that Mrs. Hattie Brand was made State Organizer. The appointment of Mrs. Brand to State Organizer was made at the State convention.

Will the Unions which have not already sent the 50 cents to the State Treasurer for a Local Committee Convention Fund kindly do so at once? This is a free will offering asked of the Unions, by the State convention, to help the local committee in the arduous work of entertaining the State convention. The President of the county that entertains the State convention in October, writes: "We are depending upon the 50 cents to help us out and cannot do without it."

Miss Hadley, who has been working in Boone County, reports that Lebanon Y's will go enmasse to the State convention at Frankfort, and that no brighter nor more interesting young people from any part of the State will grace our annual meeting. Also that Boone County convention, which she attended on September 28, was made a Red Letter Memorial Day as the birthday of Miss Willard. Boone County officers were all elected on the first ballot. She will send a full delegation to the State convention.

Officers of Plainfield Union are Mrs. Sally A. Arills, President; Mrs. Amanda E. Hunt, Secretary and Mrs. Katherine Robbins, Treasurer.

Miami County officers are: President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lulu Deickwall; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Outland, Amboy; Treasurer, Mrs. Carrie Puterbaugh, Peru.

Richmond. Mary F. Thomas Local Union. President, Sarah Childress; Recording Secretary, Mary E. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Anna M. Doughty; Treasurer, Zilpha Henshaw; Vice-President, Mary J. Little. Election held September 14.

Officers of Loogootee Union. President, Mrs. Susie Major; Treasurer, Mrs. May Moser; Recording Secretary, Virginia McClesky; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. C. Brooks.

## LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Evangelistic, Mrs. Beard; Franchise, Mrs. Ehvit; Purity and Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sproull; Flower Mission, Mrs. Georgiana O'Brien; Assistant Flower Mission, Mrs. Flora O'Brien; Sunday School, Mrs. Flora Rogers; Box Literature, Susie McClesky and Ida Thomas; Literature and Press, Mrs. M. Moser; L. T. L., Maggie Baker; Scientific Temperance, Harriette McClesky; Organists, Misses Oppelt and K. Campbell.

South Bend Central Union has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Elmira Staples; Vice-President, Mrs. A. W. Lee; Secretary, Mrs. Mary P. Bugbee; Treasurer, Mrs. Ada Barnard. Superintendents were appointed, the Union taking up twelve departments. We hope to do good work for our cause, believing that God is with us to bless and prosper.

Fulton County convention was held September 14-15 at Rochester. The first evening was devoted to the L. T. L. work, consisting of songs, drills and a "gold medal" contest, all of which was very pleasing and entertaining. The medal was awarded to Miss Maude Cummings, of Kenawa. The second was



devoted to convention work. We have but two unions in the county, but both are alive and are doing good work. The convention, throughout, was greatly added to by the presence of Mrs. L. M. Beck, of Bloomington, whose pleasant face and genial comradeship was an inspiration to us all. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Jessie Toner, Kenawa; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. S. Shafer, Rochester; Treasurer, Mrs. May Long, Kenewa. The convention closed with a very able address, in the evening, by Mrs. Beck.

**Bartholomew County** convention was held in Petersburg, September 20. A large number of visitors, as well as White Ribboners, were present and were interested in the work. The morning session opened with devotional service by Mrs. Pervis. After some remarks the election of officers for the ensuing year followed. Officers elected as follows: County President, Mrs. Jennie Guffey, Hope; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. West, Columbus; Treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Steenbarger, Petersburg; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Cummins, Hartsville. The meeting was one of much interest throughout. The work of the different departments was discussed and many suggestions were given to help to carry on the work more successfully during the coming year. One pleasant feature of the convention was the reading of a letter from Mrs. McWhirter, in which she sent greetings to the convention. The forenoon session closed with noontide prayer by the County President, Mrs. Guffey. The afternoon session was opened by Mrs. Rynerson, who read Romans, chapter XII, as a lesson. The afternoon was spent very pleasantly. After the business was concluded an excellent paper on "The New Woman" was read by Mrs. Robert McCullough. This contained some beautiful thoughts. A very pretty, as well as inspiring, musical selection, "Work On, Pray On," was well rendered by Mesdames Wright and Seelig. The convention was a decided success and every W. C. T. U. woman received new inspiration to work with greater zeal during the coming year.

MISS CARRIE STOUT,  
County Superintendent Press Work.

**Elkhart County Convention** was held in the Presbyterian church, at Elkhart. The attendance was good.

Mrs. A. P. Daub, of Goshen, presented the subject: "The Silent Educator," or in other words, "The Press," showing by actual comparison that it is the most important department in the organization.

Mrs. R. C. Travers, of Elkhart and Mrs. Clark Kelly, of Goshen, presented the subject of "Sabbath Observance" in a forcible manner, explaining at length that when the Christians of our country had done their duty the laws of Sabbath observance would not need agitation or enforcement.

The subject of putting a County Organizer in the field was taken up in a general discussion. The idea advanced by the State workers was approved and endorsed by the Convention. The evening lecture was delivered by Mrs. Helen M. Barker, National Treasurer. Mrs. Barker has been in the work for eighteen years and a National Worker of the organization for seven years. Among the many things she spoke of are a few points of interest:

"Some one has said the majority of the people are asleep when a great reform is born.

"As Abraham Lincoln and others held the magic pen that struck the shackles from human slavery, so our great leaders are laying the foundation for the redemption of souls that are bound in as great a bondage as the slaves of that time.

"They who hold in their hands the ballot to-day, hold the power to save."

She told of the many things the mothers of our country are doing to make their homes more sacred.

The closing musical selection was by the Castle quartette, which sang, "Tell Mother I'll be There," and responded to an encore with "Saloonatic."

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Laura Phoenix, Middlebury; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; Recording Secretary, Miss E. J. Clark, Bristol; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Z. Vail, Goshen; Press Superintendent, Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen.

#### SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Ellen Richter, Elkhart; Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. J. A. Work, Elkhart; Y Work, Mrs. A. Kaussman, Elkhart; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart; Systematic Giving, Mrs. R. P. Burton, Elkhart; Franchises, Mrs. C. E. Davis, Goshen; Literature, Mrs. Alice Parker, Elkhart; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. O. W. Cunningham, Goshen; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. L. C. Tyler, Elkhart; Evangelistic Work, Mrs. Swartz, Nappanee; Subscription to Official Papers, Mrs. Travis, Elkhart.

**Steuben County W. C. T. U.**—The fifteenth annual convention was held at Hamilton, September 19 and 20. The thought and sentiment of those on the program were most excellent. Mrs. E. M. Houghton was present throughout the convention and gave much valuable assistance. Her evening address was highly appreciated by all who heard her. Every white ribboner in the county laments the fact that Mrs. Willenner, who had served so well and faithfully, could not accept that position another year. The officers for the coming year are: President, Mrs. Alma Shaw, Ashley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Elma Baker, Hamilton; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ornelia Matson, Pleasant Lake; Treasurer, Mrs. Josephine Mason, Pleasant Lake. On the last evening

was held the medal contest. There were eight contestants. Miss Fegley, of Pleasant Lake, won the medal.

**St. Joseph County**—The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of St. Joseph County was held at Spring Brook Park, Tuesday afternoon, September 14. The meeting was called to order by our faithful and devoted President, Mrs. Daisy D. Shoutz, who led the devotional exercises. A pleasing and commendable feature of the convention was the reports of all superintendents of departments, without one report missing. Some interesting papers were read. Mrs. Fastwacht, President of Chapin Park Union, read a paper on "How to Increase Membership." Mrs. Alex. Staples, State Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, gave a talk on the work of her department, and Mrs. Holler, State Superintendent of Sabbath Observance, talked on "Sabbath Day Laws." The following officers were elected: President, Katie Wert Holler; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Viola Fulton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Paxson; Treasurer, Mrs. A. Bugbee. The ladies ate supper in the park and all went home with a feeling that St. Joseph County has done a great deal of good, practical work in the year just closed. Our Jail Superintendent, Mrs. Zack Johnson, has organized the work in her department and each Sunday a gospel temperance meeting is held in the county jail with remarkable good results. We deeply regret that Mrs. Shoutz, who has labored so earnestly and devotedly among us as County President, cannot serve us any longer in this capacity. We are also proud of our new officers, for they are women who have been "tried and not found wanting."

St. Joseph County reports show a great deal of good work being done. We have 69 members, 8 honoraries, 56 regular meetings held and six called meetings; \$10 given to Industrial School and \$4.50 to Epworth Hospital; \$230.63 was raised from all sources. Seventy thousand Sabbath Observance leaflets were printed in South Bend, many of them being distributed in the county. Flower Mission report includes 678 visits to the sick, 426 bouquets given, besides plants, floral pieces, delicacies for the sick, provisions and clothing. Visits were made to the jail, county house, Orphans' Home and Epworth Hospital on Flower Mission day, June 9, and at Christmas time. The following is from the *Union Signal*: "Flower Mission may mean distribution of Bibles, clothing, fruits and fuel. It may mean sitting up of nights with the sick or sorrowing, making scrap-books for children, furnishing boots and shoes, boat and buggy rides, songs and sermons. In short, it may mean the Golden Rule in beautiful action, shedding upon the pathway of life the fragrance of loving kindness."

**Miami County** convention was held at Peru. Reports of Superintendents very fine. Miss Alice Dunlap was present and told something of the World's convention at Edinburgh, Scotland. On the first evening a gold and a silver medal contest were held. The audience was large. On the second evening a lecture by Mrs. Retta Jones, President of Madison county, which gave great satisfaction. Miss Clara Sears, State Y Secretary, made an address. She won the hearts of all. A reception followed; light refreshments were served. The city quartet furnished excellent music. A unique feature was a convention register with a beautiful frontispiece tied with white ribbon. The register shows that many sections of the county were represented and also other counties. Mrs. Anna Kilmer thinks the very best of everything must be used for the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Frank Anderson, of Zionsville, writes: "Miss Mary Hadley has been with us in two days' work, coming on Saturday evening. We held a mass meeting Sunday afternoon, and Monday afternoon a social meeting of the ladies was held, which was quite helpful, and three new members were added to our Union. On Monday evening Miss Hadley gave a lecture on 'The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed,' which was well received."

**Clinton County W. C. T. U.** annual convention was held at Manson, Tuesday, September 18. Our county is composed of eight Unions. Every Union sent delegates except Circleville. We held a very enthusiastic convention. Neat printed programs were distributed over our county several weeks before the convention. The reports of the Unions and Superintendents showed much good work had been done and good seed sowed along the different lines of work. Several papers were read bearing on the work and discussions followed, and thoughts were exchanged in which good plans were laid for future work. Our officers are: President, Mrs. Emma Sayler, Frankfort; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Laura Osterdy, Mulberry; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Dwyer, Frankfort; Treasurer, Miss Ada Vansickle, Jefferson. Our County President conducted a Silver Medal contest in the evening. The class was a mixed one, composed of young ladies and gentlemen of Manson. The music was fine and was rendered by the young people of Manson, consisting of solos, duettes, etc. The Misses Honen entertained the audience while the judges were out, and words of praise were heard on every side. The judges awarded the medal to Miss Anna Stafford. Subject of recitation, "Questions and Answers in regard to Woman's Suffrage." The contest was a success, both in attendance and financially. All the sessions were well attended.

The fourteenth semi-annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of Martin County met in regular session in the M. E. Church at Loogootee, Sept. 20 and 21, with a goodly number of members and visitors present.

Mrs. Beauchamp, State President of the Kentucky W. C. T. U. and Assistant National Recording Secretary, was present to aid in the work of the convention. The program was full at each session and Mrs. Beauchamp was an inspiration through all.

Miss Susie Majors, our earnest and active Local and County President, was again unanimously elected to her office, which she so ably fills.

The county officers are: President, Miss Susie Majors, Loogootee; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. C. Brooks, Loogootee; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Williams, Shoals; Treasurer, Mrs. H. Harryman, Shoals.

Of Mrs. Beauchamp a Loogootee paper says: "Mrs. Beauchamp is a woman of fine personality and gentle bearing, a thoroughly womanly woman, and in presenting the subject displayed rare talent. Her fluency of speech and able reasoning, combined with that gentle, quiet manner, left none in doubt as to the meaning of what she intended to portray. She showed how the tobacco habit among our youth and men of to-day is as great a menace to the Anglo-Saxon race as the liquor traffic."

County Superintendents—Franchise and Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Mary Moser; Scientific Temperance, Miss Harriette McClesky; Sunday School, Miss F. Eastman; Literature, Mrs. Mary Williams; Social Purity, Miss S. Majors; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. E. Thomas; Flower Mission, Miss E. Williams; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Netta Eastman; Evangelistic, Mrs. Lisman.

**Howard County** convention was held at Kokomo, September 22 and 23. The interest was good and the attendance encouraging. The old officers were all re-elected. Mrs. Rounds, President of the Illinois W. C. T. U., was the guest of the county. She preached at the Congregational church Sunday morning. Subject "Fidelity." Text in Ruth. Lesson from Naomi, Ruth and Orpha. Ruth represented the faithful church member, Orpha as the backslider. It was an excellent sermon. It touched nearly every heart in the audience, if putting the handkerchief to the eyes is any sign. The pastor in introducing her said that she would preach. "When she arose she said, 'I am not a preacher, i. e., I have never been ordained by the laying on of hands by any man, but rather I'll just talk a little.' After she was through the pastor said, 'I seldom have the privilege of hearing such an excellent sermon. God makes no mistakes when He ordains.' This from a Congregationalist pastor carries weight. This same pastor, Rev. Choate, is an honorary member of the W. C. T. U. In the evening she lectured in the Grace M. E. church on "The Five Bars," "Conscience," "Justice," "Court Room or Legal," "Saloon" and "The Bar of God." She handles the subject fine, without mentioning any names of people or party, but some were pretty warm politicians, but I think she did much good. We were well pleased with her. Our county work is in the best shape it has been for some time. We have gained quite a number of members over last year. Mrs. Teats brought in quite a number, both regular and honorary. Our women understand the work better now than ever before. Mrs. Outland organized a new Union at Sycamore September 20. They sent in the dues for three before the State books closed, and more have paid in since. This rejoices us.

#### IGNORANCE IS NEVER INNOCENCE.

From an interesting article by Irma B. Matthews in the *Home Magazine*, the following is taken for *Home Life* readers, with the hope that both fathers and mothers may be guided by the kindly advice contained therein:

"Ignorance is not innocence. Many children have been ruined, not because they were not innocent, but because they were ignorant. Mothers, pardon me if I speak plainly. This is a subject I feel deeply on. You warn your children of the drink habit, but the worst vice on the face of the earth you keep silent on. You send your boys and girls into the world, where there is a terrible evil before them and you send them blindfolded, trusting that some instinct may preserve them from danger. Is this right? You say that you cannot talk to your children about such things. Believe me, if you don't, some one else will. Your silence may prove the downfall of your child. Children who are given a mother's confidence are not likely to listen to idle stories from playmates. Why should they? There are no 'secrets' for them to learn. Think of these things, mothers. Please God, when my girl goes out into the world she will not fall into the clutches of the evil one because her mother has not warned her. Ignorance can never be innocence."

If you think you can not talk to your children as you should, get some good literature for yourself and them. Read the *New Crusade* or *Child Confidence Rewarded* and have your children read "What a Boy Ought to Know," or "What a Girl Ought to Know."

Parents, have you forgotten your own experiences? Have you never found yourselves placed at a disadvantage through ignorance of things which your father or mother should have taught you? Do not repeat their folly. Be wise in the matter of building the character of your child.

The County and Local Secretaries and Treasurers will meet in conference in the basement of the convention church on Saturday at 8 A. M. We greatly desire that everyone holding either of these positions will be there and be on time. These are very important conferences.



PROGRAM STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION  
HELD AT FRANKFORT.

## FRIDAY MORNING.

- 9:00. Convention called to order by the President, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.  
Opening services conducted by Mrs. E. M. Houghton, State Evangelist.
- 9:15. Roll call by Recording Secretary, Rev. Cammack-Gibson.  
Appointment of Committees on Credentials, Courtesies and Telegrams.  
Report of Executive Committee.  
Report of Corresponding Secretary.
- 10:30. Report of Treasurer.
- 10:45. Report of L. T. L. Secretary.
- 11:00. Report of Y Secretary.
- 11:15. Evangelists' Hour.
- 11:30. Noonide Prayer.
- 12:00. Adjournment.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

- 1:45. Convention called to order by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Acting President of the Board of Superintendents.  
Opening Services in charge of Mrs. Flora Wires, Campbellsburg.
- 2:00. Reports of Departments.  
Secretary for the afternoon, Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington, Secretary of the Board of Departments.  
The Treasurer of the Board, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, of Peru, will serve as time-keeper.
- 3:30. Five Minutes' Respite for Physical Exercise. Conducted by Miss Clara Boyd, State Superintendent Physical Culture.
- 5:00. Adjournment.

## FRIDAY EVENING.

- 7:30. Opening Services, Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President.
- 7:45. Address of Welcome in Behalf of the City, Hon. Martin A. Morrison.  
Address of Welcome in Behalf of the Schools, Prof. H. L. Frank.  
Address of Welcome in Behalf of the Church, Rev. W. H. Halstead, Pastor First M. E. Church.  
Address of Welcome in Behalf of the W. C. T. U.  
Address of Welcome in Behalf of the Loyal Temperance Legioners, Master Ward Brown.  
Response to the City, the Schools, the Church and the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Hattie Brand, State Organizer.  
To the Loyal Temperance Legioners, Miss Hazel Cowdrey, Ft. Wayne.
- 8:40. President's Address.
- 9:30. Adjournment.

SENIOR MOTTO—"WE WORK TO WIN."

## SATURDAY MORNING.

SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INDIANA STATE LOYAL  
TEMPERANCE LEGION.

- 8:30. Convention called to order by the President, Jas. L. Gipe, Indianapolis.  
Devotional—Miss Flora Alles, Elwood.  
Minutes—Fred. Carter, Westfield.  
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Straw, North Manchester.  
Treasurer—Miss Lottie Benner, Argos.  
Election of Officers.
- 9:30. Reports of Superintendents of Departments of Work.  
Anti-Narcotics—Jessie B. Straw, North Manchester.  
Junior L. T. L.—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
Medal Contest—J. L. Gipe.  
Mercy and Help—Fred. Carter.  
Flower Mission—Miss Kizzie Holloway, Lincolnville.
- 10:00. State Agent *Young Crusader*—Jesse B. Straw.  
Graduating Exercises—Class of 1900 on platform.  
Class Address—Miss Edith Hillis, Kokomo.  
Presentation of Diplomas by State L. T. L. Branch Secretary, Mrs. Kathrin T. A. Straw.  
Senior Banner to Largest Graduating Class—James Gipe.  
Our Seal Course—Miss Elizabeth Straw.  
Collection.  
Indiana Senior L. T. L. Song.
- 11:00. President's Annual Address—J. L. Gipe.  
Presentation of Banners and awards.  
To county, largest gain of new Legions—Banner.  
To Legion largest "Honor" membership—Banner.  
Second largest, Miss Willard's picture.  
Third award—*Young Crusader* one year.  
Largest *Young Crusader* subscription club—"The Beautiful Life of Miss Willard."

## STATE YELL.

Rah! Rah! Rah!  
Clover blossoms we're a-field.  
Why? Saloons must die.  
Hear their knell,  
Indiana L. T. L.

JUNIOR MOTTO—"THE CHILDREN ARE A-FIELD."

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

- 1:45. Convention called to order.  
Opening services by Mrs. Anna U. Engleman, Burlington.
- 2:00. Report of Committee on Credentials.  
Election of Officers.

Election of the Members of the Hadley Industrial School Board.  
Papers of note to be read while the ballots are being counted:

- No. 1. "The Influence of a Noble Life," Miss Edna V. Hodson, Anderson.  
No. 3. "How to Teach Temperance at Home," Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
No. 4. Song. "Vote for Prohibition," Miss H. Lavinia Baily, Richmond.  
No. 6. "The White Ribbon Badge as a Teacher," Mrs. D. T. Smith, Bluffton.
- 3:30. Five Minutes Respite for Physical exercises by Miss Clara Boyd.
- 4:50. Election of State Central Committee.  
Introduction of Fraternal and Visiting Delegates and Distinguished Guests.  
Miscellaneous Business.
- 5:30. Adjournment.

## SATURDAY NIGHT.

## Y. W. C. T. U. PROGRAM.

- 7:30. Scripture Reading.  
Prayer.  
Hymn—"My Country, 'Tis of Thee."  
Oratorical Contest for Diamond Medal—  
1st Contestant.  
2d Contestant.  
Vocal Solo—Mrs. Mont Fisher, Frankfort.  
3d Contestant.  
4th Contestant.  
Quartette.  
5th Contestant.  
6th Contestant.  
Presentation of State Y. W. C. T. U. Banner—Miss Clara M. Sears.  
Presentation of Medal.  
Closing Prayer.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

## MASS MEETING.

- 3:00. Opening Services—Rev. Cammack-Gibson.  
Address—Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, President of Kentucky.  
Music.  
Collection.  
Miss Alice Palmer, Wazayta, Minn.  
Closing Hymn.  
Benediction.

The pulpits of the majority of the churches of Frankfort will be supplied during the morning and evening services by delegates in attendance upon the Convention. Further announcements will be made in the daily press.

## MONDAY MORNING.

- 9:00. Convention called to order.  
Opening services.  
Report of Plan of Work Committee.  
9:30. Report of Organizers.  
10:30. Report of Executive Committee.  
Election of Associate Evangelists, Organizers and Superintendents.
- 11:30. Evangelists' hour.
- 12:00. Noonide Prayer.  
Adjournment.

## MONDAY AFTERNOON.

- 1:45. Memorial Services—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.
- 2:15. Report of MESSAGE.
- 2:30. Report of Industrial School.
- 3:00. Report of Resolutions Committee.
- 3:45. Report of Standing Committee.  
Reporting National Delegates.  
Miscellaneous Business.
- 4:30. Dress Reform—Miss Elizabeth Fisher, Delphi.
- 4:45. Consecration Hour—Luella F. McWhirter.
- 5:15. Adjournment.

## MONDAY EVENING.

- 7:30. Opening Services, Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp.
- 8:00. Address, Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, Boston, National Superintendent of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction.  
Tableau.  
Adjournment.

## ROTTED OFF BY BEER.

This is not a temperance treatise, but it has a bit of fact in it that the total abstainer may show to the beer drinker, whenever occasion offers, says the *New York Mail and Express*.

The attention of the New York hospital surgeons has been called to the big number of bartenders that have lost several fingers of both hands within the past few years. The first case was that of an employe of a Bowery concert hall. Three of the fingers of his right hand and two of his left hand were rotted away when he called at Bellevue one day and begged the doctors to explain the reason. He said that his duty was to draw beer for the thousands who visited the garden nightly. The man was in perfect health otherwise, and it took the young doctors quite a time to arrive at any conclusion. But they did finally, and it nearly took the beerman's breath away when they did.

"Your fingers have been rotted off," they said, "by the beer which you have handled."

Other cases of a similar nature came rapidly after this one, and to-day the physicians estimate there is an army of employes of saloons whose fingers are being ruined by the same cause. The acid and resin in the beer are said to be responsible.

The head bartender of a well known downtown saloon says he knows a number of cases where beer drawers have, in addition to losing several fingers of both hands, lost the use of both members.

"Beer will rot iron, I believe," he added. "I know, and every bartender knows, that it is impossible to keep a good pair of shoes behind the bar. Beer will rot leather as rapidly as acid will eat into iron. If I were a temperance orator I'd ask what must beer do to men's stomachs if it eats away men's fingers and their shoe leather? I'm here to sell it, but I won't drink it—not much."

And yet men, women and children drink it, call it harmless, exalt, socially, politically and religiously those who make it and sell it, call us bigots, narrow, unreasonable and make wry faces at us for crying out and warning the people against this poison.—*The Gleaner*.

## SOME INTERESTING STATISTICS AND FIGURES.

Amount expended annually for strong drink, \$1,200,000,000.

- If in paper dollar bills placed end to end, would extend five and a third times around the globe at the equator.
- In gold would weigh 2272 tons.
- In silver would weigh 36676 tons, or five and a third times the displacement of the battleship Maine.
- What could I do with the money?
  - Buy out Vigo county.
  - Three distilleries.
  - One large brewery.
  - 164 saloons.
  - Bank, building and loans, trust companies, etc.
  - Railroads and rolling stock.
  - All other real estate.
- Pay McKinley's salary.
- Pay Vice-President's salary.
- Pay salary both Houses of Congress.
- Pay members of McKinley's Cabinet.
- Pay War and Navy Departments.
- Pay Federal Courts in the U. S.
- Pay all our postoffices.
- Pension all our soldiers.
- Pay off entire Spanish-American war debt.
- Enough left to run Missionary Society of M. E. Church for 209 years.

Amount consumed in 1896 of vinous, malt and distilled liquors, 1,071,000,000 gallons.

- Take wine gallon as a standard measurement would
  - Fill a canal 20x20 ft. from Terre Haute to Indianapolis.
  - Or, would make a lake deep enough and wide enough to float the world's armored battleships.
  - Or, would make a barrel 300 feet in diameter, as high as the combined height of Pyramid Gizeh in Egypt, Washington Monument, and Eiffel Tower in Paris, 150 feet higher than all these.—*Rev. E. S. Shumaker in The Gleaner*.

## HO! ON TO WASHINGTON FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Delegates.	Alternates.
1. Henry.....68	1. Benton.....17
2. Huntington.....62	2. Bartholomew.....17
3. Hendricks.....34	3. Clay.....11
4. Blackford.....31	4. Carroll.....13
5. Vanderburg.....31	5. Jefferson.....16
6. Howard.....29	6. Newton.....16
7. Lawrence.....25	7. Greene.....14
8. Scott.....25	8. Washington.....19
9. Elkhart.....23	9. Cass.....13
10. Delaware.....21	10. Parke.....18

The above counties have made the greatest gains and will choose the delegates to the National Convention, one each, and their alternate will be chosen by the county opposite, being located as near each other as possible. This is according to the Plan of Work of last year. See program for time and place of choosing these delegates.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Bring local and county banners to the State Convention.

L. T. L. delegates will be entertained at State Convention.

## IN MEMORIAM.

On September 2, 1900, Mrs. Anna Smith, of Rochester, went home to meet her God and the grown daughter who preceded her seven years ago to the spirit world and for whom she never ceased to yearn. Mrs. Smith was one of the oldest and most tenderly beloved of our Rochester W. C. T. U. The organization feels its loss deeply and desiring to express the same, the following resolutions were ordered published.

[Most beautiful and appropriate resolutions have been received and we regret that for lack of space we omit them.]

## "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White,"

A beautiful Temperance Song. Words by Mrs. Nellie Stanley. Music by Mrs. A. W. Skelton. Price, 30 cents. All orders from the Secretaries of the W. C. T. U. Societies filled on receipt of half price, by referring to this ad.

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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## WASHINGTON CITY.

The National Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Washington, November 30th to December 7th. One and a third rate has been granted on all railroads for the round trip on the certificate plan. The fare for the trip from Indianapolis to Washington and return is less than \$22.00.

The Indiana Headquarters will be at the Elsmere Hotel, two squares from the LaFayette Opera House, where the convention will be held. Convention rates at the Elsmere, \$10.50 per week with two or more in one room, \$13.50 per week for single rooms. The house is conducted on a strictly temperance plan. There is no bar, nor is liquor served in any way.

The Official Route for the Indiana delegation will be via Big Four and Chesapeake & Ohio lines. Leaving Indianapolis, November 27th at 6:20 P. M. via the Big Four Railway to Cincinnati, from there via the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway to Washington City. The connection at Cincinnati is direct, so we arrive at Washington, November 28th at 3:30 P. M. making the entire trip in about 22 hours from Indianapolis.

A through White Ribbon sleeper to Washington from Indianapolis will be provided for our party, at a rate of two dollars for each passenger—two in a berth. Persons joining our party at Cincinnati can secure reservations in our sleeper by writing immediately. The rate from Cincinnati will be \$1.50 each, two in a berth.

After leaving Cincinnati the Chesapeake railroad runs across the northeastern part of Kentucky and through both of the Virginias, crossing heart of the picturesque Alleghenies and a land made famous by incidents of the civil war, including the Shenandoah Valley and the regions of the noted Sulphur Springs and the Natural Bridge.

We anticipate a delightful trip and a splendid convention. Our party will have more than a day to visit points of interest in Washington before the opening and two days after the close of the convention. We will all want to spend a few hours going down the Potomac to Mt. Vernon, Washington's old home.

All White Ribboners and friends who desire to join our party are cordially invited to do so. In order to go with us, make arrangements early with local railway agents for tickets over the official lines and write immediately for sleeper reservations, and particulars to,

Yours most cordially,  
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

The new business manager of the MESSAGE is Mrs. Clara Balch, the efficient, energetic, practical daughter-in-law of Mrs. Mary E. Balch. In your correspondence with her you will find her courteous and prompt. Although a young mother, she is the possessor of a diamond medal and has held more medal contests this year than any other one person in Indiana.

The climax of ambition of the woman who keeps up to date in good living and household economics is to have the latest, daintiest and best things for her boudoir; so she goes to George Merritt's, 500 West Washington street, Indianapolis, and procures one of those inimitable Health Comforts in silkline, satin or China silk.

Indiana's new State President, Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, has served Grant County as President for fifteen years. She is a woman of rare executive ability and spiritual power. Grant County Convention is like a small State Convention. To see Mrs. Wilson preside over it reminds you of how our departed leader, Miss Willard, presided over a convention. Mrs. Wilson is a friend and a woman of genuine worth, greatly beloved in her county. She will serve Indiana in a loyal, able manner. In the National Executive Committee she will be a credit to us, and will be loved by those who know her. In her behalf I ask the same loving sympathy and loyalty that you have shown me in the past, and feel sure that with this she will be encouraged to her best endeavor. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

Indiana's plan, as wrought out for the coming year, are in a most important sense the fruition of her desires for more than a decade of years. We believe we have made a stride forward in the direction of intelligence and permanency in our work which cannot be measured.

Our State organ, the MESSAGE, which has grown in favor from year to year as an inexpensive, up-to-date four-page monthly, giving in concise and briefest fashion our Department work, plans, announcements, and field work, etc., together with a broad recognition, yet brief gleaning from the work at large, is now to be placed in the hands of every member who pays one dollar annually into the treasury of her local union. The dollar to be so divided as to contribute to local, county and State treasuries and to cover a year's subscription to the State paper.

This fruition of effort, extending through many years, we cannot forget is only a consummation of the first and constant thought of our beloved leader,

Miss Willard, who said that each state should have a paper for state work so inexpensive that it could be placed in the hands of every member, and that the *Union Signal*, as our National organ, should contain the general news and more elaborate discussion of the various phases of our work.

An L. T. L. contest is to be held by each local union within the first quarter of our W. C. T. U. year, the net proceeds to be contributed to the support of our Industrial School.

Our Institute Plan, which has proven so helpful as an educator, and in building up our ranks, has been re-endorsed with the slight, but important, modifications recommended by the Superintendent of the department.

The changes provide for a more specific training for the membership, greater economy of means and vital force and for a broader plan for reaching the masses.

This year, Indiana has made a Missionary Campaign in Institute work, reaching out to unorganized territory. The results have been excellent, as shown by the following summary:

	W's Added.	Y's Added.	Honorarys Added.	Total Members Added.	Subscriptions to MESSAGE.	Subscriptions to Union Signal.	Subscriptions to Young Crusader.	Unions Organized.
Sec. 1, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec 4, H. Brand, Leader, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks' work...	144	32	5	181	61	11	...	9
Sec. 2, Mary Hadley, Leader, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ weeks' work.....	144	77	84	305	322	30	14	14
Sec. 3, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec. 4, Rev. Gibson, Leader, 8 weeks's work	143	21	26	191	52	17	13	12
Total.....	431	130	115	677	435	58	27	35

It was a trial of our faith and a deep felt bereavement when our much loved President laid down the gavel, not to take it up the coming year, but it was cause for gratitude that we had a woman of clear brain and warm heart in the person of Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, of Fairmount, Indiana, to fill the vacated place and move forward in the work. All the former officers were re-elected on the first ballot and will most loyally co-operate with our new President. The love and appreciation for the retiring President found expression in the gift of a beautiful gold watch from the W's, and in some dainty and choice books from the Y's. Our National guests were Mrs. Mary H. Hunt and Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp and were most helpful in the Convention. The address of Mrs. Beauchamp at the Mass Meeting on Sunday afternoon will long be remembered by those who heard it, for the vivid portrayal of the condition of the church to-day, as the result of the liquor traffic in this country. The lecture of Mrs. Hunt on the last evening of the Convention was instructive, able and convincing. Our cause in the city of Frankfort and throughout the State has been greatly advanced by this most enthusiastic and splendid Convention. MARY HADLEY.

## ATTENTION.

Counties having local Unions should have no county officers. Dues should be sent direct to the State Treasurer by local Treasurers, until other Unions have been organized and a County Union effected.

The State Convention voted that the State should furnish all the County Presidents and State Superintendents with a free copy of the National Minutes.

It also voted to ask every county to furnish every County Superintendent and every Local President with a free copy of the State Minutes.

Following this line, how many of the local Unions will furnish the rest of the Local Officers and all the Local Superintendents with a free copy?

Please send orders at once, as the minutes will soon be ready to be sent out. All orders should be accompanied with the money. The printer should have his money as soon as the work is done. So please be prompt.

Price of minutes, including postage, 15 cents. If sent by express, C. O. D., 10 cents per copy.

A list of the counties having ordered the minutes and the number ordered will be printed in the next issue of the MESSAGE. The same will also be placed opposite the name of your County Union in the next annual minutes.

In sending in your order, do not fail to tell how many goes into each individual Union, and whether all Local Officers and Local Superintendents are supplied with a copy.

All orders and money for minutes should be sent to the State Treasurer, Mrs. AMANDA T. WHITSON, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## PREMIUMS FOR THIS YEAR'S MEDAL WORKERS.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold four Diamond Contests will be entitled to a Grand-Gold Medal, or a set of Miss Willard's books free.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold five Grand-Gold Contests will be entitled to a Small-Gold Medal, or a life-size picture of Miss Willard, framed, free.

The County or Medal Worker who will hold five Small-Gold Contests will be entitled to any Silver Medal free.

Any one holding five Silver-Medal Contests shall have a life-size picture of Woolley and Metcalf.

Anyone who will hold five Contests with boys or young men shall receive a year's subscription to the *Union Signal*, *The New Voice* or *Patriot Phalanx*, as they prefer. Work to begin November 1, 1900 and close October 1, 1901.

It is a great injustice to contestants not to give them opportunity to complete their course and receive their diplomas. Let us do so this year.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

No. 711 E. 11th Street, Indianapolis.

## OUR YEAR'S PLAN OF WORK.

Dear Sister, it is not a self-acting plan; it will do nothing for us laid away in a drawer, up on a shelf or thrown into a waste basket. You must read it; study it, think over it and work it out. Read it in the Union, discuss it. Resolve to carry it out as a whole. Grow ambitious to win the premiums. See that every member has a copy—with the fear of God and the need of humanity before us let us do our best. Please write me what you think of the plan.

MARY E. BALCH.

Our first work is for the school. Do not delay. Three premiums offered. The one sending money from contest in first, the one sending the first amount equal to ten dollars, and the one sending in the largest amount.

SECTION 7. Duty of Unions—Contingent Fund. Unions shall hold one L. T. L. Silver Medal contest during the first quarter of the year, October, November and December, taking the usual ten cents admission fee and after deducting the price of the medal and tickets, send the balance of the proceeds to the Treasurer of the Board. No other calls should be made on the Union by the school that year. If on account of storms or epidemics or like misfortune the contest proves a failure financially, it shall be the duty of the Union to repeat it within thirty days or the first favorable opportunity.

Institutes to be held on a plan similar to that of last year, but with a view to greater efficiency and intelligent fidelity to our cause; greater increase in membership in organized Unions; better organization in new territory; better financial economy and economy of vital force, and with a view to better reaching the masses which convene in the various churches on the Sabbath day, we recommend the following modifications of the institute plan:

1. That two institutes, of two and one-half days each (including one-half day of semi-annual convention), and one day (or two half-days) be a day of rest for the workers, thus allowing them to engage in Sabbath service with their normal vitality, or to make a timely transit to the next point when the railroad service is not favorable.

2. That the first meeting of each institute be a business conference of the members with the leader, for mutual help in perfecting plans vital to the work following.

3. That the last meeting be a social meeting or reception for the new members secured, to which probable or honorary members shall be invited, or if a Union has been hastily organized during the preceding meetings, a part of this time may be given to instructing the officers and members; or, if found more necessary and helpful to the local work, the workers may give the time to calling on and enlisting the co-operation, and if possible, securing the membership of leading citizens of the place, or in otherwise gathering up the fragments and confirming the work, that nothing be lost.

4. That the county officers shall be assistants in institutes, a specific part of the work conducted by each official being as follows:

The County President shall be Chairman of a Committee, composed of all her Local Presidents, who shall have charge of the program, of advertisements, of enlisting and enrolling membership and of courtesies.

The County Corresponding Secretary shall be Chairman of a Committee composed of all the Local Corresponding Secretaries, who shall have charge of Invitations and Refreshments.

The County Recording Secretary shall be Chairman of a Committee composed of all of the Local Recording Secretaries, on recording the work in the



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County record and reporting helpful features of it to the different Local Unions.

The County Treasurer shall be Chairman of a Committee composed of the Local Treasurers, who shall receive or collect dues from new members and those in arrears.

The County Superintendent of Press Work shall be Chairman of a Committee of Local Press Superintendents, whose duty it shall be to promptly report the work of the Institute in Local, County, State or other papers read in their respective towns or communities and to co-operate with the County President as Chairman of Committee on Advertisements.

The County Superintendent of Medal Work shall be Chairman of a Committee of Local Superintendents of Medal Work, who shall timely arrange every detail necessary to a successful contest on the second evening of the Institute. If this contest should be placed in the hands of the Local Superintendent of Medal Work residing at the point where the Institute is to be held, this Committee will be available to give her whatever co-operation she may deem necessary.

The Flower Mission Superintendent shall be Chairman of a Committee of Local Superintendents on Decoration and Music, who shall give necessary co-operation to the local workers in charge.

Other County Superintendents shall lead their respective Committees of Local Superintendents as the success of their departments and the work as a whole, may require.

Branch Secretaries of the Y's and L. T. L. shall be leaders for the young people, who should have a part in every program.

Should there not be material to fill all committees as indicated above, or should there be failure of any committee to act, it shall be the privilege and duty of the County President to set other forces in motion, that the work in hand may not be hindered.

We recommend that the financial plan be so modified that one-half of any excess above \$10.00, which may accrue from contests and collections at Institutes, be turned over to the County Treasury and the other half to the Institute Missionary Fund. That all or any excess, above the \$5.00 designated by the State for Sabbath service, be turned over to the Local Treasury of the Union where the Institute is held.

That each Institute leader be available to at least one Sabbath service and not to exceed two.

Organized counties choose their own place for Institute.

Whereas, we have decided to make the L. T. L. a special work this year, we recommend:

That each W and Y shall elect a Secretary of L. T. L. Branch and place her in communication with the State L. T. L. Secretary and Y Secretary.

That each Union is urged to form a class of its members for the study of the L. T. L. Quarterly Temperance Lesson Manuals with a view to graduating by next State meeting.

That we urge earnest effort on the part of each Union to enroll the children in their community, from birth to six years of age, in the L. T. L. Infant Grade Circle, by payment of ten cents annual dues—six cents of which shall remain in the W. C. T. U. Treasury and be used to procure literature suitable for mothers and small children and four cents sent to the State L. T. L. Secretary for State and National L. T. L. dues.

That each Union organize a Loyal Temperance Legion and appoint a committee to conduct it, of which committee the L. T. L. Secretary shall be the chairman.

## NATIONAL DELEGATES.

Group counties and choose National delegates as in former years.

## SIX PAPERS OF NOTE.

No. 1. "Bible Proof for Teaching Abstinence." Chairman of Committee, Mrs. Nellie Virtue Chambers, Westphalia.

No. 2. "Great People Who Were Abstainers." Chairman, Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.

No. 3. "Startling Incidents of the Evil Effects of Social Drinking." Chairman, Mrs. Laura M. Thompson, Greensburg.

No. 4. "Victories in 1900 in Our Reform." Chairman, Mrs. J. K. Carpenter, 152 East Berry street, Fort Wayne.

No. 5. An L. T. L. story of 1,500 words. Chairman, Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

No. 6. "Personal Reminiscences in W. C. T. U. Service." Chairman, Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.

These papers not to be over ten minutes long, to be written by any White Ribboner, to be in the hands of the Chairman by August 15, sending stamps for return postage.

The Chairman will select two others and judge on the merits of the papers received, notifying the Corresponding Secretary of the number of papers prepared and sending subject and name and address of the writer of the paper considered to be the best, by August 25. These papers to have a place on the State program.

## MEMORIAL DAYS.

When not observed in regular form, read papers on them in the regular meetings of the Union in the order in which those days occur. Papers to be written by some member of the Union and not to take over fifteen minutes' time.

## JUNE 10, DEMOREST MEMORIAL DAY.

Unions will hold an Anti-Narcotic Silver Medal Contest, using the necessary amount of the proceeds to procure a W. C. T. U. speaker in the county for the Public School institute, each Union paying its portion of the expense.

## TO UNIONS.

Any Union having doubled its membership over last year's paid list shall have five minutes before the convention to report its activities. This report may be given by any one of its delegates present. The Union may not delegate this privilege to another Union or visitor.

## GAIN IN MEMBERS.

The Union having made a gain of ten paid, regular members at the end of the second quarter's report, over the paid list of last year, as shown by the Treasurer's report in the Annual Minutes, may have one day's service free, by a State worker en route, and this work will be done in July and August, as far as possible.

## HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

The Union having made the greatest gain in honorary members shall be presented with Miss Willard's "Glimpses of Fifty Years," at the annual convention.

## TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

All members of a local Union who will answer at least fifty per cent of the questions in the MESSAGE, the Annual Minutes, the *Union Signal* and the *Annual Leaflet*, and a few leading questions as to what our temperance education law requires and what can be done to secure the best enforcement of it, also similar questions pertaining to our anti-narcotic law, shall have their names printed in our Annual Minutes of 1901. Examination papers to be sent to the Recording Secretary, who will prepare the list and report the same to the convention and publish in the Minutes. This will necessitate the careful reading and study of these documents. List of questions to be published in the MESSAGE. Do not wait to begin the reading and study until the questions are given—that is not necessary.

## PROGRAMS.

Local Unions shall prepare a program for the year's meetings, type-written or printed, and bring a copy of the same to the annual convention, where they will be placed on the program table, and a committee of three will be appointed in the ante-executive to decide on the first, second and third best, to whom premiums shall be given.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Take collections at all public meetings, and the Union reporting the largest amount as the sum of the year's collections shall receive a copy of the Beautiful Life of Miss Willard. Distribute literature at all public meetings.

## HONOR ROLL.

There shall be an Honor Roll on the last page of the MESSAGE, where each county, whose every Union has a W. T. P. A. agent, shall be enrolled, and it will be a greater honor to be No. 1 on this roll than to be No. anything else.

## FOR THE HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

IN HARMONY WITH THE BY LAWS PASSED IN THE INTEREST OF OUR SCHOOL.

Unions will hold an L. T. L. contest during the months of October, November and December, taking from the 10 cent fee at the door the price of the tickets and medals; the balance shall be sent to Treasurer of the Board, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Nora, Marion County, Ind. The Union sending in first report of contest with money, and first Union sending in an amount equal to \$10.00, and the Union sending in the largest amount will each receive a premium. The Unions which hold this contest will not be called on during this year for further service financially for the school. Let no Union fail to carry out this by-law.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Ave., Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Maggie Cox, Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Westfield, Hamilton County, Ind.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Nora, Ind.

## ARTICLE VIII.

ELECTING THE BOARD OF HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL DIRECTORS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall elect the nine members of the W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School Board of Directors in the following manner: Tellers having been appointed by the Chair, an informal ballot shall be cast for the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board separately and the convention shall then proceed to vote by ballot for the persons thus nominated. Economy would locate these women as near each other and as near the school as possible, the State having been divided into six permanent divisions, to be known as Hadley Industrial School districts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. The convention will elect by rising vote one woman for each district. Nominations to be made in open convention. These persons will be known as the solicitors, or the soliciting members of the Board.

SEC. 2. Duties of Solicitors. An estimate shall be made of the necessary amount for the current year's expenses of the School and it will be the duty of each of these six solicitors to collect their portion of this sum. As much more as they will collect will be to the advantage of the school and their profit.

SEC. 3. The Solicitor's Remuneration. The solicitor shall receive ..... per cent of all moneys collected and on pledges the same per cent when the pledges have been paid into the treasury of the Board. On endowments the same per cent pro rata when the Board has invested the endowment and receipts come in on the investment. The solicitor shall report monthly to the Treasurer of the Board on the blank furnished, turning all money, pledges and endowment over to the Treasurer of the Board, who will settle with the solicitor monthly as per date of blank furnished for that purpose.

SEC. 4. Duty of Central Committee. If vacancies occur in the Board during the year, caused by resignation, removal, death or failure of duty, the Central Committee shall be empowered to fill such vacancies within thirty days time.

SEC. 5. Limiting Expenses. The Board shall not add to the ordinary current expenses of the year by improvements, additions to the school or increase in number of helpers without consulting the Central Committee.

SEC. 6. The President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board shall receive ..... per day, for every day's actual service and all actual expenses. This outlay shall be considered a necessary part of the running expenses of the school.

## DISTRICTS.

No. 1—Lake, 1; Porter, 2; LaPorte, 3; Saint Joseph, 4; Marshall, 5; Starke, 6; Newton, 7; Jasper, 8; Pulaski, 9; Fulton, 10; Cass, 11; Carroll, 12; White, 13; Benton, 14; Miami, 15. Collector, Mrs. S. M. Shelt, Hebron, Porter County, Indiana.

No. 2—Elkhart, 1; LaGrange, 2; Steuben, 3; Kosciusko, 4; Noble, 5; DeKalb, 6; Allen, 7; Whitley, 8; Wabash, 9; Huntington, 10; Wells, 11; Adams, 12; Jay, 13; Blackford, 14; Grant, 15. Collector, Mrs. Bettie Parker, 445 East 10th street, Indianapolis.

No. 3—Warren, 1; Tippecanoe, 2; Clinton, 3; Howard, 4; Tipton, 5; Hamilton, 6; Boone, 7; Montgomery, 8; Fountain, 9; Vermillion, 10; Parke, 11; Putnam, 12; Hendricks, 13; Marion, 14; Hancock, 15. Collector, Mrs. Martha A. Church, Bloomington, Parke County.

No. 4—Madison, 1; Delaware, 2; Randolph, 3; Wayne, 4; Henry, 5; Rush, 6; Fayette, 7; Union, 8; Franklin, 9; Decatur, 10; Shelby, 11; Johnson, 12; Bartholomew, 13; Brown, 14; Morgan, 15. Collector, Miss Zerrilla Kimberling, Winterrowd, Shelby County.

No. 5—Dearborn, 1; Ripley, 2; Jennings, 3; Jackson, 4; Washington, 5; Scott, 6; Jefferson, 7; Ohio, 8; Switzerland, 9; Clarke, 10; Floyd, 11; Harrison, 12; Orange, 13; Lawrence, 14; Monroe, 15; Crawford, 16. Collector, Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.

No. 6—Owen, 1; Clay, 2; Vigo, 3; Sullivan, 4; Greene, 5; Martin, 6; Daviess, 7; Knox, 8; Gibson, 9; Posey, 10; Vanderburg, 11; Warrick, 12; Spencer, 13; Perry, 14; DuBois, 15; Pike, 16. Collector, Mrs. Ada L. Squires, Terre Haute.

## FIELD NOTES.

The Parke County W. C. T. U. convention was held in Friends' Church at Bloomington. An interesting and instructive session. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. May T. Lindley, of Bloomington; Vice-President, Mrs. Lou M. Spray, of Bloomington; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Martha Church, of Bloomington; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nora Rubottom, of Marshall; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Mills, of Marshall.

Alice E. Waugh, Tipton, sent regrets that they could not attend State Convention. Tipton Union holds monthly meetings and Mrs. Waugh has great hope for the county's organization next year.

We received the Huntington papers, in which Miss Pearl Rall, as W. C. T. U. Press Reporter, had a write up of our late convention at Frankfort, and their county convention at Roanoke. Both were so excellent we sent the papers on to Mrs. May Moser, Loggotee, our State Superintendent of that department.



The Worthington W. C. T. U. mourns the loss of Mrs. Rachael Pullen, who died in August. She was one of their most loyal, faithful members. A daughter is left alone.

The father of Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton, came to his death by accident on the 17th of October. He was at work in the woods with his son and fell, striking his head in such a way as to cause almost instant death. Miss Parr has the sympathy of her co-workers.

Mrs. Eva Munson Smith, Illinois, won the National prize banner for the most contests held by one person—67.

Marion Central Union called the first meeting to report the State Convention. Delegates were all present and a very enthusiastic meeting was held October 29.

#### WOMAN'S ENFRANCHISEMENT.

Now as the swinging gates of time are closing upon the 19th century and opening to admit the 20th, let us count the gains of fifty years—an evolution of women unexampled in the annals of civilization, freedom of thought, speech and action secured; admission to education, industry and the professions obtained; rights of person, property and earnings established; the laws regulating the marriage relation partially reformed; school committee suffrage established in four States—full suffrage in four States—partial suffrage in twenty-three States, and public opinion enlightened and liberalized.

The Methodist women have practically secured equal representation in the lay electoral and general conferences, after a twelve years battle. The women of Annapolis were allowed to vote for the first time this year, and the women of West Australia have lately obtained full parliamentary suffrage. These are the foundations laid, upon which the twentieth century will build full enfranchisement for women in both England and America and peradventure in many other nations of the world.

"Let us then be up and doing  
With a heart for any fate,  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labor and to wait."

We very much desire that every woman that believes in woman's enfranchisement in the State of Indiana *would labor* now for the next two months in circulating the Enrollment petition—have them type written or copied with a type writer in their own respective counties, and sent to me (as it is too late for me to do all that work), before the General Assembly of Indiana meets in Indianapolis, next January.

The second thing—raise some money wherewith to defray the Legislative expenses. Send that to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, our State Treasurer, and use the press as far as possible in every town and county in the State.

Will not all the Local Unions appoint a competent Press Superintendent, to prepare and secure franchise articles and have them printed in the local papers? The press is the University for the people. Remember I stand ready to assist any who may apply to me for help.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent Franchise.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

November 25 is World's S. S. Temperance Sunday. Make announcement of that fact in all secular and religious papers. Special programs for the Sunday School hour are prepared for that day by the National Superintendent, Mrs. S. B. Irwin, St. Paul, Minn., and can be had for 25 cents per hundred.

Make pledge work a special feature; start the pledge chain; send one to me; make duplicate chain for your Sunday School or Union.

A quarterly leaflet, giving teaching points suggested by the Temperance lessons, is prepared about six weeks in advance of the Temperance lessons, and will prove very helpful to teachers and adult members of the Sunday School—25 cents per hundred. Also the blackboard exercises, at 50 cents per hundred, are very good indeed.

Let every Sunday School Superintendent in the W. C. T. U. arrange for a Union teachers' meeting the week before November 25. You can realize the help such a meeting will be to the work. To facilitate the work, send orders for the above supplies to the Secretary of the National Superintendent, Mrs. Della R. Mandigo, Fargo, N. Dakota. Is there not some one in every Sunday School who, if rightly approached, would be glad to buy, frame and present to his or her own Sunday School a Pledge Roll of Honor? We can never know what an inspiration, what an incentive to temperance living, such a gift will be. These can be secured of the W. T. P. A., "The Temple," Chicago, for 25 cents.

Let me hear from you of the visible results of this day's work for temperance.

ALICE G. GEARY,  
Superintendent.

#### TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE INDIANA W. C. T. U., FRANKFORT, OCTOBER 19 TO 23.

One of the busiest conventions we ever had. Two hundred and seventy voting delegates. Made Mrs. Eunice Wilson, of Fairmount, our new President. No other change in the roll of officers. We sadly parted with our out-going President, but say with a tone of gladness she is the editor of our MESSAGE this year, when for the first time the convention voted to make the membership cover the price of the paper, as per by-law.

#### ARTICLE IX.

The one dollar membership shall cover the price of the official organ in the following manner: 10 cents from the Local Union, 5 cents from the County and 10 cents from the State, and when incorporated in our constitution, the article on membership will read: "Any woman may become a member by endorsing the constitution, paying an annual membership fee of \$1, of which 40 cents shall be paid for State dues, 15 cents for County, 20 cents for Local Union and 25 cents for the official organ."

We must all help to adjust the new machinery which will so greatly magnify our work when it has attained to its proper equilibrium.

Then our President of last year is with us in her children, Miss Ethel being made Superintendent of Flower Missions; Miss Susie, State Superintendent of Medal Work in the Loyal Legion organization and Master Felix, Treasurer. Any one having read the program must have a very good idea of the convention, as nothing was omitted except the memorial service and one day we did not give the half hour noon service its full time. If the service is unto the Lord, then one hour of the meeting is as blessed as any other hour. If our life is hid with Christ, not a moment of it belongs to the enemy of souls—not even on election day, while men take the time to vote license. The departments had their afternoon unbroken and made excellent reports. In their Board meeting they elected Mrs. Ada B. Leck, of Indianapolis, President; Mrs. Julia Overman, of Marion, Secretary, and Mrs. Anna Kilmer, of Peru, Treasurer.

The June conference goes to Wabash.

Saturday forenoon was a most enjoyable session. The Indiana Loyal Legion was in convention. Officers were: President, Miss Ina Boyer, Frankfort; First Vice-President, Jesse B. Straw, N. Manchester; Second Vice-President, Fred. Osborn, Marion; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Bessie Straw, N. Manchester; Recording Secretary, Hazel Cowdry, Ft. Wayne; Treasurer, Felix McWhirter, Indianapolis; State Organizer, James Gipe, Indianapolis; Miss Bessie Straw, Assistant or Associate Branch Secretary. The Branch Secretaries of States are National delegates by virtue of their office. Miss Shugart, of Jonesboro, is National delegate and Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, of Amboy, alternate. Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, Branch Secretary, had a very helpful map of the State showing up the occupied and unoccupied territory, and on a centograph quilt, made of silk patches, one gives 10 cents and gets their name on it; it is to help the L. T. L. Treasury.

The President explained a plan for a State loan library of books for the seal courses, and donations from counties were received to the amount of \$88. I was too occupied to write up this part of the program. I know that the President, James Gipe, made a fine annual address, and those giving the address of welcome and the responses were all very creditable. I know some fine premiums were awarded, also diplomas, but being out of the room on some duty I was not an eye or ear witness, and cannot tell you about them. It made me glad to see so many boys, girls and young ladies present. Youthful blood, zeal and intelligence is a source of strength.

Y night was the Diamond Contest—4 contestants. Miss Gertrude Regumas, Hope, receiving the medal. Mr. E. H. Staley, Miss Alice Hadley, Frankfort, and Mrs. Culla Vaylinger, Moore's Hill, acted as judges. About five hundred people present. The contest was rated good. During the Convention four diplomas for complete course in the medal work were awarded: Miss Ina Coggeshall, Marion; Miss Nellie Shugart, Jonesboro; Miss Lottie E. Wands, Indianapolis and Miss Gertrude Regumas, Hope.

The Department of School Savings Banks was taken up. That of Police Matron dropped for a time, taken up and that of Relation of Temperance to Law, Labor and Statistics divided and made into two departments. Mrs. May Moser, of Loogootee, takes Mrs. Vance's place. You will find a list of the departments in the new minutes, which will soon be ready to send out. Order them this year from the State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis. Prices the same as last year. I wish you could have seen the Convention church with its fine decorations, Sunday School cards, Press clippings, banners, flowers, ferns and Old Glory artistically draped and grouped, and the county bannerettes all made a fairy scene, every one happy but the delegates who had to sit too far back. If you were ever a member of such a delegation you know how it is.

Three excellent papers of note read on the afternoon of election, while they counted ballots. Mrs. Mollie Myers, of Auburn, received the Secretaries' premium, a life-sized picture of Miss Willard, framed. Three babies were brought to the platform and made members of the Convention and went away wearing white ribbons—ever after they are our babies. It is stupid of me that I can't give their names; you will find them, I think, in the minutes. I am limited as to space, but want to say this: No Convention of White Ribboners ever had a more faithful reporter—one who had a broader or juster conception of our organization, than had we at this Convention, Mr. E. H. Staley, Frankfort, who was in his place early and late. His reports were fair and truthful and appreciative and I wish he could go to the National. His daughter is a White Ribboner, and his wife, now in the glory land, was one. I wish I could add, he votes Prohibition. Then I must tell you something of the local committee. How pleasant, patient and pains-

taking, and if any of us in the hurry and excitement did not act in the most becoming manner, I think they did not observe it, but continued more and more to provide for our comfort. You will find their names in the program, with the exception of Mrs. Frances Boyer, who took Mrs. Barricklow's place, because she was too ill to serve.

It was a great sorrow to Mrs. Barricklow that she missed it all.

The local committee had prepared a cook book to help out on finances. The book sold at 25 cents. Every recipe was a certified one—reliable. Mrs. McWhirter's face is on the cover. Anyone wishing a copy can write Mrs. Emma Saylor, 600 West Walnut street, Frankfort, enclosing the price. Our visitors, Mrs. Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., and Mrs. Hunt, of Boston, won the hearts of their audiences and greatly added to the force of the convention in the city. Sunday audiences were small and the attendance from the town at any time not as large as usual.

We were greatly favored in having Mrs. D. E. Studebaker with us, and who sang as sweetly as of yore, and could take the place for another year. We are so thankful that she was so improved in health to give this service. The music provided by the local talent at Frankfort was exceptionally good and enjoyed by the convention; and music is such a large part of a meeting.

I know my space is more than full, and I say goodbye with the assurance that the half has not been told of a very good convention in a campaign year.

MARY E. BALCH.

DEAR SISTERS—At the recent State Convention it was decided, by the passage of By-law, that the one dollar membership fee paid by each individual member in Indiana should cover the price of the MESSAGE, the Official Organ, in the following manner: Ten cents to be taken from the State dues, five from the county dues and ten from the Local Union dues; thus placing the State paper in the hands of every paid member of the W. C. T. U.

The entire dollar for the annual membership fee must then be paid at one time and be divided as follows: Twenty cents for local dues; 15 cents for county dues; 40 cents for State and National dues and 25 cents for the MESSAGE. The dues must pass through the regular channel, from the local to the county, and from the county to the State, etc., but the 25 cents for the State paper must be sent to the business manager of the paper, and must be sent on the same day as the State and county dues are sent to the County Treasurer.

No dues can be counted as having been paid until the full name and address of the person having paid dues, together with the 25 cents from each dollar for the paper, has been received by the Business Manager. Promptness in collecting dues is very necessary, as no woman is a voting member and can hold office until the full dollar has been paid. The dues should be collected by the 15th of December, March, June and September, and should there be two or more members in one family and only one paper is desired, then add to the MESSAGE list the names of persons you desire to become interested in the work, as your MESSAGE list must equal your membership. Please place a star in front of the names of persons not members and whose names have been given for the MESSAGE.

Treasurers' blanks will be sent out the last week in November. Will County Treasurers please send them to the Local Treasurers by first mail?

Each quarter closes on the 25th. In justice to the Unions that are prompt in sending dues, no report should be kept by the County Treasurer later than the 22d. Rather let the tardy Union suffer than the Unions that have sent dues on time. We are greatly pleased that so few Unions are tardy and that those few are rapidly growing fewer.

By action of the State Convention, the L. T. L. dues must be paid to the Local Union Treasurer and from there go to the County Treasurer and then on to the State Treasurer, instead of being paid to the State L. T. L. Secretary, as in the past. Please urge the payment of L. T. L. dues and by so doing gain a representation in the State.

Following the precedent set by the State in its decision to send a free copy of the National Minutes to the County Presidents and State Superintendents, the State convention voted that the counties should send the State Minutes to each Local Union President and County Superintendent. In accordance with this plan, how many of the Local Unions will furnish the rest of the Local Officers and Local Superintendents with a free copy of the State Minutes? The Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out. Please send orders accompanied by the money, at a very early date, as the printer should have his money as soon as the work is done. Single copies, including postage, 15 cents. If sent by express, 10 cents per copy.

A list of the counties having ordered the Minutes and the number ordered will be printed in the next MESSAGE. The same will also be placed opposite the name of your county and Union in the next Annual Minutes.

In sending your order, do not fail to mention how many goes into each individual Union and whether all Local Officers and Superintendents are supplied with a copy. All orders and money for Minutes and record books should be sent to the State Treasurer, who has charge of the sale of them this year.

Read this in your local Union and preserve the copy for future reference.

ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OFFICERS.



## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

## BELOVED COMRADES—

"Again we have come in Jehovah's name" to "speed the moment on,  
When wrong shall cease—and liberty and love  
And truth and right throughout the earth be known  
As in their home above."

Inspired by one purpose, actuated by one desire and controlled by one principle, in the name of the greatest organization of women in the world to-day, I greet you; for you have honored me with your confidence, helped me with your counsel, encouraged me with your praise and strengthened me with your prayers. I thank you to-night, each and every one, for the love and help you have given me.

Mother, home and heaven have been for generations sung about by poets. Men in all conditions of life find in these the highest essentials of all that constitutes love, rest and happiness.

The ideal home recognizes parentage as the highest privilege given to mortal being. It is truly partnership with God in moulding and fashioning human souls. In such a home the father protects and provides for growth of the child. His precept and example sets the standard of living. On account of the closer association of the children, to the mother is left their early education and discipline. Right conditions emphasize the esthetic and ethic faculties of the child and lead it into a fuller realization of its spiritual needs, thus better paving the way to a higher order of citizenship and usefulness.

Higher education comes to a meager number of bright girls and boys because of conditions all about us which ought to be removed. The strong hand of the father, who has not only a ballot but an influence, for both of which he is responsible, ought to open the way for tens of thousands of children to grow into larger development physically, intellectually and spiritually.

The intuitive instinct of the mother detects in the atmosphere of the community in which she lives the presence of disease germs which attack multitudes of children in their physical, moral and spiritual natures. She views with alarm the lack of respect among young people for the church of God, the prevalence of disobedience to parents among children, the almost universal use of tobacco and cigarettes by men and boys and the invasion of so many homes by the subtle enemy, alcohol. These conditions become more and more established until it is no wonder that the Christian motherhood and sisterhood of this country are seeking relief from such invaders of the home. It has been well said that woman's sphere is in the home.

True, no place in all the world is so sacred, so restful and lovely to a woman as her home. Home keeping is instinctively enjoyed by woman.

The chaotic condition of the civic world, permitted and run by the men of this country, has forced woman out of the home; since that has been done she has shown herself capable to fill any position which she feels free to accept. She has maintained the grace and dignity of her womanly nature in all positions held. Through her efforts great advances have been made for better laws and a more general protest against the enemies of the home. Her voice has been heard pleading with legislatures and urging upon executive officers the claims of her mother heart for better opportunities and healthier environments for the coming generations of men. Not until the foes of civilization, which are the foes of the home, are met and vanquished, will woman's mission cease in the halls of our State and National Capitol nor her righteous and just demands lessen the burdens of executive officers who fail to stand for the moral clearing up of the atmosphere from the prevalence of dangerous disease germs now attacking every home.

Comrades of the White Ribbon army, you have heard the cry of the world; your hearts have been touched by humanity's needs. The divine alchemy refines the dross of your life and you are drawn into this conflict for God and home and every land.

## THE YOUNG WOMEN

Of Indiana are wielding a mighty influence for or against righteousness and right living. The young women who refuse to recognize a dual standard of morals for men and women are to-day helping to establish a better, a surer foundation upon which to build the homes of future generations. Man respects and admires the woman who demands of him right living and high thinking in return for her confidence. Our brave, courageous band of Y's, under the leadership of Miss Sears, has accomplished much during this year. District conferences have been held in different parts of the State with splendid results. The great need of our Y is for more young women and young men to become members. O, could the energetic Christian young people of our State realize how much their efforts would mean to this branch of temperance work, I am sure hundreds would say, "I'll help." "You may depend on me," and our ranks would be filled with the ambitious enthusiasm which would hasten the day of victory for Christ and the home.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Great strides have been made during the last few years in our State in plans and work for the Loyal Temperance Legion. We find that since our organization as a State Legion we are advancing more rapidly in systematic study than before. Each year we have a good class of graduates and so the ranks of the Senior Legion are constantly being reinforced. We extend a cordial, loving welcome to State convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion which will meet here to-morrow. To you, Legioners, we are looking for brave, true citizenship, for educated, well trained young men and women in organized temperance work, who will lend a strong hand toward the overthrow of King Alcohol and his close loyal friend, King Nicotine.

O, mothers and fathers, when you know the need of educating your boys and girls to be aggressively opposed to alcohol and tobacco; when you know that in no other way are boys and girls given the systematic education in temperance organization except in the Loyal Temperance Legion, why are you not practical? Why do you not give your boys and girls opportunities to become educated and fitted for leadership? Are you too busy? Are you indifferent, or is it because you do not have a Legion? O, parents, consider what this means. Our United States government establishes and maintains at great cost, a naval and a military school where boys are educated (free of cost to their parents) for government service. The wisdom of this and the necessity for this you readily appreciate if our government continues to maintain a navy and standing army, a plan which will be largely modified when we agree to arbitration. Educated trained men are in demand by the government; the same thing is no less true in this conflict for the home, the church and the State. Let me exhort you to consider the need of a Legion—to consider that the splendid teaching you give your boy or your girl in the home loses much of its significance in that it is not definite and their associates are not thus taught. The teaching of scientific facts few of us are competent to give unless we have made chemistry a special study or have prepared ourselves for teachers of the subject. Besides this, the training our boys and girls receive in organization is sufficient to cause us to become interested. To understand parliamentary law and practice it is, I assure you, no small accomplishment for a boy or girl; to have the privilege of systematic, scientific temperance study means much, and scientific temperance study and thorough drill in parliamentary law and organization is of itself splendid education. All this your boy and girl should receive in the L. T. L. You say we can not secure competent leaders for the work. O, sisters, when you realize what this education means to your boy and girl and how their interest is intensified by having their friends associated with them, can you not arrange to secure a leader for a Legion? Compensate her for the time she gives to the work in visiting the parents, holding meetings, etc. To my mind this is of all importance. Last year your heart thrilled when you saw our high school boys and girls, as officers, conducting a State Loyal

Temperance Legion convention you wished that your own and your neighbors' young people might have such training and such education. If this work is done in your community you must help it on. An earnest, energetic, winsome leader can make the Legion mostly self-sustaining by entertainments, oratorical contests, etc. Sisters, I must urge you to plan for a Legion. Please do consider this prayerfully and by God's help plan for a Legion. If you will save your own son you must help to save your neighbor's son.

## ORGANIZATION.

Our W. C. T. U. County Institutes this year were mostly held in towns having no Union, the County President and other officers arranging thus for the Institute, at the close of which in nearly every instance a good Union was organized. When such a plan is considered as being carried out successfully, the material which composes our County Presidents can better be understood than described. Their hard work and loyal co-operation with the State Corresponding Secretary and Institute leaders made the success of such a plan possible. It is no small responsibility to "mother" a new Union, but in order to keep up the interest and activity of many Local Unions the County President must visit them frequently. The Unions that are thus visited do not fall off in membership and seldom become discouraged in the work. The expenses of the County President in visiting Unions and attending State meetings should always be paid by the County Treasury.

A county officer and a County Superintendent of Department who will visit the Unions of the county will see good results follow. The kind and generous gifts of the year to our cause have demonstrated in a most practical manner the interest felt in its success. Mrs. M. A. Omo's gift of \$500 to our State for her promoted sister, Miss McDaniels, a perpetual endowment fund to be used for organization, was indeed cause for the great gratitude of all Indiana White Ribboners. Smaller amounts have been contributed for an organization or Field Fund. These gifts have cheered our hearts and inspired us with new courage.

Under organization we have the department of Work Among Colored People with Mrs. Lottie Searls faithfully at the head, and Work Among Foreigners with our energetic Mrs. Anna Kilmer seeking to reach our sisters from other countries. There is special need for a Field worker among both these classes. We ought to reach them for intemperance. At the altars of their homes manhood lies smitten, the fires have gone out on their hearthstones, light of hope and love dies in their hearts; as wives, mothers and little children they are to-day cursed by alcohol.

Our Lecturers and Organizers have done valiant service this year, spending much time in unorganized territory.

May the time speedily come when we may keep four or five Organizers and workers in the field eleven months of each year. Three for general organizing, lecturing and building up the work among white and colored women, one for the young women and one or more for the Loyal Temperance Legion. My desire is to see them a-field and paid a salary, all amounts paid for collections, donations, etc., received by them to be turned into the State treasury.

Under present conditions our workers are hurried on from one point to another, sometimes when the cause would be greatly helped by another day's work. We need a permanent endowment fund, the interest only from which should be used for Field work. I have faith to believe that the confidence and interest in our organization is so great that we may expect during the near future to receive gifts of money, bonds, deeds to lands, town and city property for a permanent endowment. For this purpose will have been made and bequests will be made. The time has come for us to arouse ourselves and push forward the conflict for God and home and native land until there will be a mighty host of consecrated women who will unite with us and help us hasten the day of final victory.

## OUR DEPARTMENTS.

In no one year during the history of our State organization have there been such broad plans made and so much work done in our Departments as during this year. Much has been done by agitation along preventive lines. The result of our work in educational departments has been far greater than ever before. A two day's W. C. T. U. Institute has been held in nearly every county in the entire State, the results of which can not be estimated. The varied subjects discussed by the people have done more to arouse to action and to encourage our own membership, perhaps, than the most sanguine anticipated. The detail of this plan and program has been wonderfully wrought out by our beloved State and National Superintendent of Institutes, Miss Mary Hadley.

The Sunday school temperance work has taken strong hold in some communities. This ought to be a universal condition. Woe to the Superintendent of a Sunday school who does not urge temperance teaching. Why is it that we must keep urging active christian workers to lend their influence for practical temperance teaching?

Our parliamentarian, Mrs. D. E. Hardy, kindly keeps us properly deliberating and constitutionally right.

Non-alcoholic medication is a department which every Union should adopt. Each individual member should be informed upon the facts in regard to the medicines used in the family. Dr. Jessup-Smith ably heads this department.

We have rejoiced to know of the great agitation in our country during this campaign year on the subject of Peace. When war is denounced and great multitudes applaud, we know that the sentiment against war is rapidly taking hold of our people. We are pleased to know that our State Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration, Miss Lavinia Bailey, is the new Secretary of the National Peace Association.

Our courageous Press Superintendent, Mrs. Florence Vance, has been called upon this year to pass through great sorrow. Her companion was suddenly called to his eternal home. She now lives in Ohio. We heartily and lovingly commend this faithful, earnest sister to the affections and companionship of our Ohio sisters.

The department of Household Economics is being systematically pushed by Mrs. Mary Moody.

Much has been done in the department of Temperance Literature. A very practical leaflet has been published by the Superintendent, Mrs. Etta Ayers. More and more our people are realizing the power of the printed page. The medal contest work has been such an important feature among the educational forces for total abstinence and prohibition in Indiana that God only knows the good accomplished. Indiana now holds sixteen diamond medals. Each one of these represents a victor over about 7,000 speeches. In all there has been over 8,000 medal contests held in Indiana under the leadership of the State Superintendent, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, who is also Associate National Superintendent. In regard to the sentiment made, the lives influenced and the good done, the half will never be told. Excelsior, Mary Balch!!

The divine and holy influence radiating from our Mothers' Meetings Department under the leadership of Mrs. Sarah M. Stahl are being felt in society, the church and school. Mothers' hearts thrill as they see and realize the consecrated enthusiasm manifested among young women and mothers in this department.

The Purity Department has been ably equipped this year with Mrs. Frances Boyer as Superintendent and Mrs. Sarah D. Curtis as Lecturer. The dissemination of information through Mrs. Boyer's leaflet on Purity Laws has been very beneficial and will result in much practical good. The public addresses of Mrs. Curtis have been highly beneficial. We greatly regret that Mrs. Curtis has gone back to Colorado to live—we will miss her.

(Continued in next issue.)



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## THE FUTURE.

BY RUDYARD KIPLING.

When earth's last picture is painted, and the tubes are twisted  
and dried;  
When the oldest colors have faded and the youngest critic has  
died;  
We shall rest, and, faith, we shall need it—lie down for an aeon or  
two,  
Till the Master of all good workmen shall set us to work anew!

And those that were good shall be happy; they shall sit in a  
golden chair;  
They shall splash at a ten-league canvas with brushes of comet's  
hair;  
They shall find real saints to draw from—Magdalene, Peter and  
Paul;  
They shall work for an age at a sitting and never be tired at all!

And only the Master shall praise us, and only the Master shall  
blame;  
And no one shall work for money, and no one shall work for fame;  
But each for the joy of the working, and each, in his separate star,  
Shall draw the thing as he sees it for the God of things as they are!

## SECRETARY'S LETTER.

Dear Secretaries, County and Local—The MESSAGE in every W. C. T. U. member's hands makes a revolution in our work. We, that is you and I, will have our space in every MESSAGE and please send me short, concise reports and let us make our corner so bright and cheery that the whole State will be in love with it; will turn to it for help, for encouragement, for information. If we all try and work together we will succeed. I shall talk to you in this column. There is one thing now I want to know very much. I want to be sure I have the name and address of every President and Secretary and Treasurer of a Union correct. Changes are made and I do not always know of them. We need a complete and reliable directory.

MARY E. BALCH.

## NOTES FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Enrolled members 5441; then those coming in too late, 368, make us actually 5809 enrolled members. A gain over last year.

Honorary members, 740; coming in late, 78, total, 818.

Regular meetings, 2730; late, 135; total, 2866. Executive Committee meetings, 223; late, 12. Called meetings, 266; late, 10. Mass, 181; late, 16. Red letter days observed, 155; late, 5. Signers to pledge, 1951; late, 70. Amount of literature ordered from publishing house, \$212.12; late, \$9.20. 109 W. T. P. A. agents; late, 4. 2537 letters, and in October, the last month, 296; total, 2833. Cards, 1232, and in October, 145; total, 1377.

North Manchester has the largest MESSAGE subscription.

Marion Central Union paid dues for 83, and is the largest Union, Meridian, at Indianapolis, the second in size. Peru, Hartford City and Otterbein come next. Of the fifty new Unions organized, thirty-eight paid dues for 444 members. Henry county made the greatest gain in members. The counties entitled to choose National Delegates for gain in membership were Henry, Huntington, Hendricks, Blackford, Vanderburg, Howard, Lawrence, Scott, Elkhart and Delaware. Counties choosing alternates: Benton, Bartholomew, Clay, Carroll, Jefferson, Newton, Greene, Washington, Cass and Parke.

DEAR SISTERS—The following questions are being asked:

1. If a member has just subscribed for the MESSAGE, is it necessary to send the twenty-five cents to the Business Manager when she does not want two copies? The twenty-five cents, according to the By-law, must be sent to the Business Manager. If the member does not want two copies, send the name of some one else and let the money do Missionary work and help bring others into the work. The twenty-five cents does not belong to the Local Unions any more than does the entire dollar belong to it. As you understand, the dollar pays the World's, National, State, County and Local Union dues and now under the new By-law pays for the State paper. The membership list in the State and the subscription list to the MESSAGE must correspond. A By-law is not optional.

2. If the subscription to the MESSAGE expires, say in March, and the dues are not due until September, what should be done? Send enough money to the Business Manager to pay for the MESSAGE until October, 1901.

3. Will this new By-law make it necessary to change the time of paying dues, with some members, and have all pay dues in the same month of the year? No. Send dues and MESSAGE money quarterly, as has been done before with the dues, but the entire dollar must be paid at one time by a member, not a part one quarter and a part another.

4. If dues have just been paid during the last quarter, what should be done? Send your money for the paper until October 1, 1901.

By following out the above, the matter will be properly adjusted at once and the Business Manager will have funds to meet the bills as they become due.

Please note the change in the Blanks just sent out. Business Manager of the MESSAGE, Mrs. Clara Balch, 711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Central Committee meeting November 2, 1900, at 711 East 11th street, Indianapolis. A full meeting.

Moved by Mrs. Vayhinger, that the twenty-five cents of the one dollar membership dues that pay for the State paper go directly to the Business Manager. Motion prevailed.

The Committee appointed Mrs. McWhirter as Editor for the State paper for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Clara Balch was made Business Manager for the State paper.

Moved, that an item be kept in the paper giving a schedule price for the paper, such as ten cents for three months or more; fifteen cents for six months or more, until dues and subscription list adjust themselves in harmony with the new by-law. Moved by Mrs. Whitson that we recommend that the first page of the MESSAGE be given to the General Officers, Branch Secretaries, general communications and general announcements. The first column of the second page be devoted to editorial matter. The second column to Hadley Industrial School. The third column, miscellaneous matter and the entire third page be devoted to department work. The fourth page be devoted to field notes, including communications from county and local Unions. The communications must not exceed three hundred words and the local only one hundred words.

## Y SECRETARY'S LETTER.

Dear Y girls, we start a new year together, and I am praying that the results will reach a larger number of young women and men for temperance, righteousness and purity. Keep the motto ever before you, "Onward to Victory."

I have mailed the tenth quarterly report blanks to the Unions and expect them promptly returned to me by December 15, 1900, and if you have made a change in the officers, please correct the list so the new directory may be filled out.

Is your Local Treasurer doing all she can to collect the tenth quarter's dues?

Aurora Y's have been called upon to part with one of their sweetest and most charming members, Miss Fannie Deinerline, in her twentieth year of age, earnest and fearless in her work for the Master. Saturday, November 3, God called her home. The Aurora Y's sent a beautiful floral emblem, an anchor with a Y in blue immortelles and at the base a large bow of white ribbon. Remember the sorrowing ones, dear Y's, in your prayers.

Do not be surprised in the next quarterly blanks to find this question asked, Have you paid your apportionment for the convention fund? So that hereafter the State Y Secretary can attend the National Convention.

The Union or Branch having ten members or more will be expected to send \$1.00 for the convention fund to Miss Sears before September 1, then at the Y conference the report can be made. Unions or Branches with less than ten members will be expected to send 50 cents to the Secretary.

Miss Ethel McWhirter is the new Flower Mission Superintendent for the State of Indiana. Remember, girls, who it is. She is attending school at Greencastle Indiana.

I shall expect reports, etc., each month, so I can have the Y column filled hereafter. Thanks to Monrovia Y for the generous gift toward expenses to Washington, the only Union that responded.

Lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS,

State Y Secretary.

## SECRETARY'S LETTER.

The County Corresponding Secretaries' prize is given by the State Secretary for neatness, completeness and promptness—that is, on time. We hope every Secretary is planning to win. If Local Unions fail to report on time—better make a supplementary report than be tardy. If they report little or nothing, it will not affect your winning the premium if you do your part well.

I thank the Secretaries who are sending in their new officers' names. I feel sure the Secretaries have read the plan of work and understand that organized counties choose their place for Spring Institute. This decision should be made as early as possible and the place sent to the State Secretary, that she may schedule place and dates as early as the January MESSAGE—plenty of time to advertise and make local arrangements. A contest usually requires time. Dear Secretaries, if you will remind the Unions and the County Executive Committee of this, no doubt action will be taken at once.

## LOCAL UNION.

Press Superintendents are requested to send to the MESSAGE Editor an item on a postal each month. Eliminate every word possible and let the item contain not more than fifteen or twenty words. Like a telegram, you know, giving facts only. This is said because of the limited space and the great desire all readers have to know about "what you are doing."

## TO BENTON COUNTY W. C. T. U.

The Hadley School has a debt because we did not all send in our 36 cents per member last year. Please let us clear this debt all off and start in fresh by holding the Silver Medal Contests soon. Send in proceeds and thus be done with Hadley for the year; besides rejoicing the heart of the good Treasurer, Mrs. Hesson. By vote of State Convention every woman who pays dues this year gets the State paper. There will be no more subscription. If we all pay our dues early we will get the paper early in year, so let us all do this; the treasurer only collects dues from us once in the year. Local Presidents, please keep this before the women, so the paper may have a good circulation. Our County Committee ordered the names of County Officers and Superintendents printed on slips and sent out, so every local Officer and Superintendent may have one. Now, Local Superintendents, will you please report to the County Superintendent all work done by you? You know who she is. Yours for victory,

ELIZA F. BAKER,  
County President.

## ARMY TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.

At the annual meeting of the Army Temperance Association held in London, May 14, Major-General Sir George White, the defender of Ladysmith, presiding, a letter was read from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 19, in which the writer says:

"There never was a more temperate army than that which marched under my command from the Modder river to Bloemfontein. Nothing but good can result from so many soldiers being brought together in an arduous campaign when they see how splendidly our temperance men have borne up against the hardships and dangers they have had to face."

But the Americans inspire their army with a McKinley-Griggs-Root canteen which kills and disables more of our soldiers than Spanish or Filipino bullets.

Wabash County convention was held at Wabash. There was not a large attendance, but quite interesting. Greetings from different societies were given by their representatives. On behalf of Missionary Societies, Mrs. Atkinson; Federation of Clubs, Mrs. Robuck; W. R. C., Mrs. Alex. Hess; Ministerial Association, Rev. Groom. A Gold Medal contest was held on the first evening, in which five contestants took part—four ladies and one gentleman. They all did well, but the young man, Mr. Beauchamp, of Andrews, came out winner by a fraction. The County Superintendents all came up with good reports. The following were elected County Officers for the ensuing year: Mrs. H. F. Kidd, President; Mrs. Baker, of North Manchester, Vice-President-at-Large; Mrs. M. A. Rissor, Recording Secretary; Mrs. M. A. Ratliffe, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Sarah Haupt, Treasurer.

## W. C. T. U. PROGRESSIVE CONVERSATION PARTY.

### PROGRAM.

1. Franchise.
2. Narcotics. Music.
3. Literature. Music.
4. Peace.
5. Health and Heredity.
6. Non-Alcoholic Medication. Music.
7. Christian Citizenship.
8. Mothers' Meetings. Music.
9. Flower Mission. Music.
10. Press.

Mark, 7:36. "So much the more a great deal they published it."

### DIRECTIONS.

Each guest is given a program and pencil. Before the game begins have each one secure their partner for each subject of conversation, writing their names opposite the subjects on their programs. The bell rings and five minutes or less is given for each subject, the bell ringing every five minutes and a change of partners.

At the close a collection is taken, the superintendent explaining first the value of the department and the need of funds.



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All communications intended for the MESSAGE should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

DECEMBER, 1900.

The Evangelistic Services at the National Convention, under the leadership of Miss Elizabeth Greenwood, National Superintendent, were helpful and inspiring, participated in by scores of people each day. One day Congressman Littlefield, of Maine, came in during the Evangelistic hour. Scripture quotations were being given on "Prayer" by members of the Convention. President Stevens asked the privilege of introducing the distinguished guest and friend of the W. C. T. U. Upon being introduced Mr. Littlefield said, before I speak a word to this great Convention I want to give my views, and quoted, "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Miss Lucretia Hobart, President, 1101 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis.  
Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary A. Tarlton, College Avenue, Indianapolis.  
Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Treasurer, Nora, Ind.

It is now ten years since the work of establishing this School began. During this time it has received much attention throughout the State, and a number of girls have received benefits through its workings. There are now thirty-two girls in the institution and three officers. The idea of receiving pure, dependent girls and saving them from evil paths meets with favor from the Christian world.

The W. C. T. U. women who have adopted this School and helped to support it must not grow weary, although the work seems to drag slowly along. A new decade is now opening, and during the next ten years the capacity of this school should be doubled or trebled. Fully thirty girls have applied for admission during the past year, and needed its protection, but were refused admission from lack of room and support. It is one of our trials that these cannot receive the protection that they might find here. I think our plan for the support of the School last year was not fully understood by all our members.

The Treasurer of our Board made a careful estimate of the amount necessary to pay off the indebtedness and give running expenses for the year. She found that the sum of three cents per month for each member of the organization would give the required amount. This sum total would have given about \$1,800. Think of the shortage, when but \$555.55 was received. Nothing could have caused this deficit but a misunderstanding. The way is still open to make this up. If the friends of an institution do not stand by it, who will? It is not a great sacrifice to set aside three cents per month for so noble a work. Can you, who have not understood the matter, take it and before the old year dies, send in your share to cover the deficit, and let the new year be free to take up advance work?

You cannot realize the recompense there is in this work, unless you consider the improved chances these girls receive through your efforts. You are not working on wood or stone but on immortal lives.

L. HOBART.

## RECEIPTS OF HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL SINCE STATE CONVENTION.

Mrs. Hann, on Century Pledge, \$1.20; Mrs. Batman, on Century Pledge, \$2.00; Mulberry, on last years apportionment, \$5.00; Mount Vernon, \$1.00; A Friend, \$25.00; Huntington, \$1.55; Plainfield, \$4.00; Wabash County, \$5.00; Greensburg, on Memorial, \$15.00; Mrs. Wright expenses, as member of the Board, donated, \$5.00; Mrs. Balch, envelopes, 30c; Jeffersonville, on apportionment, \$2.00; A Friend, 5c; Mrs. Lee, solicitor, \$10.00; From Cox Farm, \$20.00; Tarlton Union's thank offering, \$25.00.

DISBURSEMENTS—Hadley & Carter, plumbing for laundry, \$30.00; Hominy meal, \$30.00; Colbert Griffin, farmer, \$15.00; Emergency fund, \$10.00; Mrs. Steele, Superintendent, \$10.00; Mrs. Lee, commission, \$3.00; Expenses of packing picture, 80c; total, \$98.80.

Dear Co-Workers—At our State Convention a by-law was passed which gives the plan for raising funds for our Industrial School. Unions are to hold a Medal Contest during the months of October, November and December, taking from the ten cent door fee the price of the medal; the balance shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Board. A premium shall be sent to the Union sending in first, also to the one sending in \$10, and the Union sending in largest amount. Who will be first to respond? Several have said we are working up our Contest—will have it soon. I do hope all Unions will respond and that we may have a more successful year and the burden of the Board made lighter by each one doing their duty. Mrs. Kate Luom, solicitor for district No. 5, sends \$10. Am sure to report from others next month. A friend to the School sends \$25, which was greatly appreciated; it was awaiting my return from State Convention. Feeling the great burden of another year's work I was made to rejoice to know some one had remembered us at this time.

Now sisters, I have a plan that if used, your apportionment for last year can all be raised. Hold a parlor or public thank offering meeting this month, distributing the thank offering envelopes to friends of our work. You can order the envelopes of me any time now, and orders will be promptly filled. Hope to hear from every Union.

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

## HADLEY DAY SCHOOL.

Two years ago our school received a donation of twenty-four school desks, which were placed in the chapel of our dwelling. These desks helped us to open our school and seat all the girls comfortably, but our number has been increased by ten. An appeal was made to the same source, and a hearty response followed, and ten desks arrived accompanied by a large globe, not entirely new, yet serviceable. And again all are comfortably seated and prepared for good work, which is being done. The girls are now making especial effort to become intelligent readers, as well as proficient in history, physiology, grammar, arithmetic, etc. It is a beautiful sight to look into their earnest faces and feel they are sheltered from vile literature and evil associations, until they become old enough and strong enough to resist these poisonous influences. Moral and religious education is not neglected.

But no sectarian doctrines are taught. The gospel of love and the Golden Rule are as far as creed enters the home. The evening study hour is greatly enjoyed by all, and is a great help to the day school. We expect to have eight graduates from the common school course at the end of this school year. These graduates will find employment in other lines of work during their stay with us.

One source of trouble to us is, that at present we are unable to admit the many needy girls who are seeking admission to this protected home.

We hope new enthusiasm in this preventive work will arise; and we may within a year be able to finish the upper dormitory at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars. This would give additional room for twenty-five more who are now knocking at our doors.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL REPORT FOR NOVEMBER.

### RECEIPTS.

Donated by Uncle Adison, for soliciting purposes, \$25.00; South Marion, \$6.38; Valparaiso, \$2.56; Bluffton, \$1.90; Mrs. Bain, \$1.00; Rochester, \$1.24; Hoagland, \$3.00; Mapleton, \$10.00; Brazil, \$6.23; Hartford City, \$10.00; Jefferson, \$5.76; Mrs. Parker, solicitor, \$16.00; Bristol, \$2.16; Winchester, \$4.00; Hillsboro, \$2.05; Back Creek, \$3.70; Turkeys, \$6.00; Anderson, \$5.10; Martha Church, solicitor, \$100.00; John Studedaker, \$10.00.

### DISBURSEMENTS.

B. M. Parker, on salary, \$5.00; B. M. Parker, loan as solicitor, \$4.00; Mrs. Squires, loan as solicitor, \$4.00; Miss Kimberling, loan as solicitor, \$4.00; Mrs. Lee, loan as solicitor, \$4.00; Mrs. Cox, order books, \$2.00; Mrs. S. E. Steele, emergency fund, \$10.00; Charles P. Hornady, groceries, \$35.00; Lumber, \$4.64.

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

## SINCE STATE CONVENTION.

The Frankfort W. C. T. U. has taken on a new lease of life since the convention. New members were added and some who had dropped out are now ready to come in again and pay their dues. People generally and those from whom we expected the least, spoke in the highest terms of the convention and the delegates they entertained. Last July we got out 800 cook books, with recipes from ladies in the county. The advertising very nearly paid for the books, about 700 of which are sold, and still there is a demand for more. We are now in good shape to push the warfare to the very gates of the enemy.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The following is taken from the address of welcome to the National Convention by Mrs. Clinton Smith:

'Tis said that at one time in the Holy wars, when a company of Scots were waging fierce battle with the Paynims, their leader, the invincible Douglas, drew from his bosom the silver casket which contained the heart of Robert Bruce and flung it far forward into the thickest of the fray. Then followed the determined onslaught of the Scots to its rescue, crying "Heart of Bruce, we follow thee!" So methinks the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. For years you have sent forward to Washington the prayers of your hearts encasketed in choicest language in the form of petitions. And now you are come yourselves.

We wish that our welcome were more adequate to your deserts. We wish that we could tender free entertainment to both delegates and visitors. But we must remind you that Washington is no more ours than it is yours. You come to your Capitol City, and why should the W. C. T. U. of the District of Columbia welcome you to your own? Only that we are so glad to see you; only that during the past months we have been doing our best to prepare for your coming. This is a happy hour! We bid you welcome. With shining eyes and high hearts beating in unison, we bid you welcome and it is my glad privilege to repeat the word. Welcome to Washington in its Centennial Year, when the feet of a nation are turning toward its Capital City to do honor to its memories of a hundred years and the whole world keeps watch night of the centuries. Two decades have well nigh passed since last you held a convention here. Chester A. Arthur was then President of the United States. Garfield had died two months before at Elberon. Ex-President Grant had just returned from his trip around the world. You then paid three cents postage on a letter weighing one-half ounce. That was before the days of electric lighting and electric lines of street cars. Brooklyn bridge was not completed. There was no Statue of Liberty Enlightning the World. The prohibition party was scarcely known. It was here that Miss Willard publicly threw her splendid influence upon the side of the then unpopular cause of woman suffrage and gave it an uplift unprecedented in its history.

This city is now greater than it was then. The Washington monument; the War, State and Navy building; the National museum; the Medical museum; the Fish Commission; the Pension building, were none of them completed.

Welcome, thrice welcome to the Capital city! Ring out the joy bells, wave the banner, beat the drum, the benefactors of the race have come! The officers, the superintendents, the organizers, the evangelists, the delegates and the magnificent rank and file! Sentiment makers, moulders of public opinion, conservators of a nation's weal; I who know you look into your faces with feelings of deep respect. You have forgotten self to remember the sorrowing. Your heads have grown white in the service. You have borne the burden and heat of the day. To you has been realized the promise, "As your day, so shall your strength be." You do not war upon the liquor traffic because you are suffering thereby. You are not in this army because your children are blighted by its curse. It is because your loving hearts are touched by other's woes and gentle pity leads you on, not to triumphs, but to sacrifices. Yet you shrink not nor falter. "The loving are the daring."

As you exchange greetings you illustrate the fellowship of the States in their common center. Forgetting space and distance, love of country creates a kinship which obliterates geographical divisions.

Dear to me the South's Fair Land,  
Dear New England's Rocky Strand,  
Dear the Prairied West."

## ACTION OF ALCOHOL ON THE HEART.

Dr. McDowell Cosgrove, in his recently published "Role of Alcohol," gives the following capital illustration of a physiological fact that is much misunderstood. He says: "The explanation of the rapid action of the heart when alcohol has been taken can best be followed from an illustration: A clock is constructed so as to run down very fast and then a pendulum is added to slow this motion. Take the pendulum off and the wheels fly around. This does not show that the clock has been stimulated by a heavier moving weight, but merely that the control has been removed. In a similar way the heart's tendency is to beat at a quick rate, but it is held in check by regulating nerves; the palpitation that follows a sudden shock is an example of the removal of this control. Now, alcohol narcotizes or paralyzes these restraining nerves and the heart's action is at once quickened, not by stimulation, but by removal of the control."—*True Light*.

Opportunities are a call from God; they pass by and never return. To-day may be the last opportunity for entreaty with some soul that you have thought that you would some time endeavor to lead to Christ. Opportunities are God's gifts for the moment that now is. It is doubtful if He ever repeats them in exactly the same form and with the same possibility of blessing. A lost opportunity is lost forever.—*Christian Intelligence*.



TO THE ASSOCIATE STATE EVANGELISTS,  
COUNTY AND LOCAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

As I cannot have the privilege of talking with you face to face, I will speak to you through our paper, which, I am glad to know, will reach most of our workers. All county superintendents who receive the paper will confer a great favor on the State superintendent by seeing that her letter reaches every local superintendent. I want to thank every superintendent who sent a report last year, and urge that you put forth greater effort during this year, that our report may be more complete. I am very sure that much more work was done than I could report. When you read the report in the State minutes and also in the National, please do not too severely censure your superintendent because the report is not fuller, but take whatever of blame belongs to you as co-workers. Last year, being out of the State a number of weeks, and the work being new to me, I could not bring it up to my own thought. I trust I can make you a more efficient superintendent this year and that I may have your hearty co-operation. I will do my best to have my plan of work out, just as soon as Miss Greenwood gives out her plans for this year. I want our State to work in harmony with her as fully as we can. I only received reports from thirty-five counties out of the more than sixty organized. Please appoint a county superintendent if you have not already done so and report the name to me. If you have elected a new superintendent, notify me. I desire to work through the county superintendents; but if they do not do their work the locals should then send their reports to the State superintendent, so that they may have due credit for work done. Strive, dear co-workers, to do your work according to our plans, and be sure to keep an accurate account of all work done. Please do not say, "many" or "most all," for that cannot be reported. Report what you do, if it is ever so little. You need not report to me quarterly, as you did last year, but if you desire any information concerning the work, write to me at any time and I will do my best to help you. I wish, beloved co-workers, to impress upon you the absolute need of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit if you would do efficient work. Equip yourselves thoroughly. Be careful and prayerful students of the word of God, remembering it is the sword of the Spirit. I have written to Lorny, the superintendent of the Chicago Training School, for his plan of Bible study, as those of us who met at State convention in consultation, decided upon that, as probably the most practical of anything we could get. You will hear from me just as soon as my plan of work is ready. If you have any suggestions, let me have them immediately. The following questions will be asked and any new ones suggested by Miss Greenwood you will be informed of:

Number of gospel temperance meetings held? How many in churches? How many in halls? How many in cottages? How many in almshouses? How many in penitentiaries? How many in prisons? How many in jails? How many school houses? How many out-door services? How many temperance addresses have been given before conventions or regular meetings of Christian Endeavor and Epworth League Societies? How many visits made by Union? How many Bible readings in Union, or out? How many signatures to pledge? How many conversions? Has rescue work been prominent? Pages of temperance and religious literature distributed? Are your members growing in spiritual life and using help thereto? Do you have hints and helps? How many observe trysting time? Number of books loaned or given away? How many have done personal work for unconverted? Number of temperance and other sermons preached? When reporting, state whether by W. C. T. U. workers or by ministers at request of unions. Number who practice tithing?

If any changes are made in the above you will be duly informed. Please report systematically, for it greatly aids your superintendents in making out their county and State reports. I wish to urge every superintendent to send for Miss Greenwood's little book, Hints and Helps in evangelistic work; 10 cents and a stamp is all it will cost. Address her at 294 Stuyvesant ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. You cannot obtain it at Chicago. With best wishes and a prayer for the most efficient year's work we have ever done, I am,

Most sincerely your co-worker,  
ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

We had a splendid conference of workers at State Convention. Our only regret is that we did not have more time and every Superintendent in the State with us.

Was your county on the Honor Roll for last year? See Annual Report. If it was not, see if you cannot place it there this year.

If you will send me your name and address I will send you our Annual Report, a catalogue of literature and samples of leaflets, together with Responsive Readings, Sabbath Pledge and Sabbath Songs which are especially adapted for Sunday Schools.

As this is an age of literature, let us distribute it freely. Continue circulating the Sabbath Laws. We find them great educators. It will be the united effort of all, and a careful and detailed report of the work done by each Superintendent, that will count when the report is made up for the year. May we have a successful year's work for a better observance of the Sabbath Day.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

The W. C. T. U. of Selma met in regular session. After business being transacted the literary program was given, all taking part in the good work. A committee was appointed to make out the year's work for each one, to be printed for the new year. An able speaker will be with us soon.

Mrs. Margaret Clyne entertained the Selma W. C. T. U. on the regular meeting day and a splendid program was given. Our Union is growing with Mrs. Martha Good as President. Several hundred pages of literature have been distributed. We will place a wall pocket in the depot soon, for the benefit of the public. After the meeting our genial hostess served light refreshments. All had a delightful time.

LAURA S. DAVIS,  
Press Superintendent.

## SYSTEMATIC AND PROPORTIONATE GIVING.

At the beginning of another year I desire to urge every one of you to more persistent efforts in order that our beloved department may accomplish greater things than ever before. It will not be necessary for me to take up much space at this time in telling you what to do. You all know the object of the department, the Plan of Work and know the questions asked in the report blanks. Any help or information I can give will be cheerfully given. I stand ready to do my best and give my best for the work's sake.

S. M. SHELTON,  
State Superintendent.

## THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

Was held in the LaFayette Opera House, Washington City, across the corner from the White House. It was by far the largest convention ever held.

Our Indiana party went through from Indianapolis in a special sleeper, upon the sides of which were streamers containing these words: "Indiana W. C. T. U., en route to Washington." We were joined at Cincinnati by the Kentucky delegation, including Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, President; Mrs. Bender, Vice-President, and Miss Nellie Payton, Corresponding Secretary. We arrived in Washington on the evening of Wednesday, November 28, with a delegation of forty, and were met at the station by a large number of Washington White Ribboners, headed by Mrs. Clinton Smith, President of the District of Columbia. The newspaper reporters were there also and they told the people that Indiana arrived in the best style of any state delegation.

The Elsmere hotel was announced as National headquarters, so by previous arrangement, we had made Indiana headquarters at the Elsmere too, so that in the parlors and dining room opportunity would be given for meeting the National officers, National Superintendents and others.

The proprietors of the Elsmere are Mrs. Rines & Son. Mrs. Rines is a White Ribboner. The service was good, the board excellent and our stay with them was indeed pleasant and greatly enjoyed. It is so nice to be together, especially when bound by the ties of love and the White Ribbon. After a day's sight-seeing or convention duty, we all would gather around the fireside in our headquarters with our State officers and chat awhile. If space permitted it would give me pleasure to speak of the part each one of our number contributed to the happiness of all. It will suffice to say that the sweet spirit of the Indiana party, without an exception, exemplified the Christ love.

Thanksgiving Day our almost entire party, with many others, went down the Potomac on the steamer Charles McAllister to Mt. Vernon—Washington's old home. We visited the splendid old mansion, containing eighteen rooms, which have been refurnished in same style as when it was the home of the Father of our Country. We visited the gardens that were laid out by him; the stables which were built for his horses, and the tomb where lie the remains of Lady Washington and her illustrious husband. The magnificence of the site for the home, on the bank of the wide Potomac, can scarcely be imagined.

On the trip we passed the house where Mrs. Surrat was imprisoned and hanged, the house where Booth's body was buried in the cellar until after the war, old Fort Washington and the United States arsenal.

The places of interest in and about Washington were visited by our party. Everywhere the "Indiana" badge, which all wore, attracted much attention and caused courtesies to be extended, especially in government buildings.

The convention opened with the annual sermon on Sunday P. M. preached by Mrs. J. K. Barney, of Rhode Island, one of our 'Round the World Missionaries. Sunday evening nearly all the churches in the city were filled with White Ribbons. One large Christian church has a "Y" organization in the church.

Early Monday morning we all wended our way to the splendid LaFayette Opera House, every available seat was taken—all seats on sale were already sold for entire week. Then it was that we began to realize the magnitude of the convention.

The address of Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, our President, was broad and comprehensive and was received with enthusiasm—by vote of convention it will be published in leaflet form and sold at 5 cents. The report of Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, Corresponding Secretary, showed great advancement in all lines of endeavor—it was excellent and received with appreciation.

Mrs. Helen M. Barker, National Treasurer, reported our finances to be in excellent condition and our

net increase in paid membership to be actually 14,429. This, notwithstanding a campaign year, is remarkable and was such a surprise to the convention that it marveled.

The program for Welcome Night was excellent. On account of illness Miss Clara Barton was unable to be present; this was a disappointment, but in the multitude of good things, all said this was a wonderful meeting. The able address of welcome by Mrs. Clinton Smith will ever be remembered. The responses by Mrs. K. L. Stevenson, President of Massachusetts, Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, Rev. Anna Shaw, and the farewell words of Miss Jessie Ackerman, who starts again for foreign fields, stirred the hearts of the people and gave evidence of the power of God. The reports of National Superintendents were most encouraging—great advancements having been made in all departments.

Before Miss Willard went to her Heavenly Home she offered the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner to the State making the greatest net increase over 500 that year. At the close of that year at St. Paul, two years ago, five States had made an increase of 500, among them Indiana, our increase being 1,159, by far the greatest, so the Banner was given to us. Last year seven States made a gain of over 500, again Indiana was the winner. This year twelve States made a gain of over 500 and Ohio won the Banner. It is very evident to the mind of the writer that when little Indiana with about 3,000, after losing 700 the year before, should turn about and gain 1,159 caused questionings, "How did you do it," etc. We told them our plans of individual effort, of county officers and county superintendents visiting local unions, of our plan for State paper, of our W. C. T. U. Institutes in every county, etc. They made Miss Hadley, our State Superintendent of Institutes, the National Superintendent, took up many of our plans in some States, so far as to paying for their State papers from the dues, etc., until we believe somewhat as the result (?) of our success, twelve States were this year stimulated to each make a gain of over 500 members. Although the writer was asked to present the Banner to Ohio she believes that for her ability to arouse to action (?) so many States of the nation, Indiana was the real victor—although she lost the Banner.

It was not so hard for the great States with from 8,000 to 21,000 members to make a 500 gain as for a smaller State. In department work Indiana won banners in the following departments: Medal Contest, having held more diamond medals this year than any other State has ever held; Anti-Narcotic Department, a gold medal for having the most superintendents appointed; Sunday School Department for the most superintendents appointed; Fair Department for most work accomplished.

Many States are copying after us in planning for W. C. T. U. Institutes. National Officers and State Presidents predict for Indiana steady advancement to result from our plan of having the State paper in the hands of every paid member. They say that the States doing this are showing most excellent results and making permanent advancement.

It was fitting that the new century year should start our W. C. T. U. out from the National Capitol. The enthusiasm and magnitude of the convention aroused great interest in the city.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

Many people were made life members by the payment of twenty-five dollars.

There were nine hundred and forty-one railroad certificates signed at the convention for delegates and visitors. Many persons in attendance from the far western states used regular tickets because of a desire to visit friends in the eastern or middle states, thus not wanting to return on the time limit of the certificate plan. These persons and those using the mileage books (1,000 mile tickets), will make a total of about 1,200 people going to Washington on account of the W. C. T. U. convention.

Bishop Hartsell, of the M. E. Church, made his mother a life member. The Illinois delegation arose in convention and announced that they made Bishop Hartsell a life member.

By unanimous vote of the convention the National Organizers were made members of the Executive Committee.

The Army Reorganization bill, with the substitute for the canteen section, passed the House. The substitute, offered by Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, is as follows: "The sale of or dealing in beer, wine or any intoxicating liquors by any person in any post, exchange or canteen or army transport or upon any premises used for military purposes by the United States, is hereby prohibited. The Secretary of War is hereby directed to carry the provisions of this section into full force and effect." Colonel Dicks, of Ohio, in a one-minute speech said: "The gentleman from Texas is wrong when he says that all army officers testify to the wisdom of the sale of liquors at the army canteen; on the contrary we have the testimony of General Miles, General Shafter, General Wheeler, Surgeon-General Sternberg, and many other officers, who regard it as demoralizing to discipline, and is interfering seriously with the efficiency, the health and the service of the soldier. Contrary to the expression of the member from Texas, and taking decided issue with him, I insist that the mothers of this country who give their sons to the army of the United States, have the right to petition the American Congress,



and that these appeals to protect their boys from undue temptation ought not to go unheeded." Colonel Dicks talked rapidly and well. He was applauded at the close and received many compliments on his effort. The Army Canteen was abolished by a vote of 159 to 51. Immediately Mr. Fitzgerald proposed an amendment to prohibit the sale of liquor in our nation's capitol—this was ruled out of order.

It was claimed by a prominent member of Congress that the canteen substitute, as passed by the House, would not have such easy sailing through the Senate. The W. C. T. U. convention being over, the great moral pressure of their presence would be lifted.

Indiana White Ribboners were in the saloon under the House of Representatives in the Capitol.

White Ribboners visited Congress. Many were present when the Canteen was abolished by the House.

A reception given by President McKinley in the White House, at 2:30 P. M., December 6, to the W. C. T. U., was attended only by those holding cards of invitation, which were shown at the door. At 2:15 the National Officers and Executive Committee were invited to meet the receiving party—President and Mrs. McKinley, the members of the cabinet and their wives, Mrs. Clinton Smith and Mrs. Sheldon. The visitors were greeted by President McKinley in a few words, which were responded to in well chosen sentences by the National Officers. It was estimated, by the receiving party, that one thousand people attended the reception. The Marine band played in the great hall. The floral decorations were elaborate in all the rooms, being those used on the occasion of the state dinner the night previous, when Mrs. Potter Palmer was the guest of honor.

The recognition given the W. C. T. U. by the Chief Executive of the nation and his Cabinet Officers and their wives, was not for personal preferment, but rather indicates very surely the truth of Dr. Wilbur F. Craft's statement that the W. C. T. U. is the greatest law-making force in the nation, and as such is wielding a great influence. This recognition of the W. C. T. U. will doubtless cause consideration for our cause and its leaders by other governments—especially England—and by State Legislatures through which we must work for all reform legislation. The aggressiveness of our organization for Prohibition, Purity and Righteousness will continue to increase as our members and influence continues to increase until wickedness in high places is condemned and only men of right principles and clean lives can claim the franchise of his fellow citizens. Then the nullifier of law and one who uses his position for personal aggrandizement and increased power will be known only in history.

The reception given by Mrs. Ex-Senator John B. Henderson, of Missouri, in her magnificent home, to White Ribboners was largely attended. The house is built after the fashion of a turreted castle, of brown stone, on a hill near the city limits. Mrs. Henderson is a broad-minded woman who recognizes and helps in the advancement of women.

#### W. C. T. U. CONVENTION—COMPLETE REPORT OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING HELD HERE LAST WEEK.

The Fourteenth Semi-Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Martin County, met in regular session at the Loogootee M. E. Church last Thursday afternoon, with a goodly number of local members, delegates and visitors in attendance.

Mrs. F. E. Beauchamp, State President of the Kentucky W. C. T. U., was present to aid in the work of the convention, as were also the ministers of the local congregations. The young ladies of Loogootee had charge of the music and were assisted by the young ladies of Shoals.

The convention was opened by devotions, after which Mrs. Beauchamp was introduced and made some very terse and appropriate remarks. She was followed by Rev. G. W. Thompson with a few words complimentary to the speaker. After the appointment of committees, a beautiful solo was rendered by Miss Gladys Smith. Mrs. Beauchamp again addressed the audience, giving an informal talk on Bodily Purity.

#### FLOWER MISSION WORK.

At this season of the year every White Ribboner is called upon to respond to some appeal for pity sake, for lovesake and all for Christ sake. When this appeal comes to you please remember that if you report what you do to your Flower Mission Superintendent, when the gleanings are made from the year's work, your kind acts reported will stimulate others to give, to work and to report. I think the girls will help everywhere if shown this list and then told how much they can help.

How many bouquets, text cards, magazines given away, papers and tracts, sick taken driving; poor families helped, visits to sick, half hours spent reading to sick, nights spent caring for sick, garments given away, pounds of groceries, cans of fruit, glasses of jelly, meals given to poor, floral designs sent to funerals and growing plants given away?

ETHEL TYREE MCWHIRTER,

DePauw University,  
Greencastle.

State Superintendent.

#### FIELD NOTES.

**Tippecanoe County**—President, Miss Addie A. Borum, Odell; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Greene, LaFayette; Recording Secretary, Miss Lizzie Thompson, LaFayette; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Bore, LaFayette.

**Randolph County**—President, Mrs. Carrie Tomlinson, Winchester; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Kahival Jay, Winchester; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dr. McCormack, Modoc; Treasurer, Susan J. Jackson, Parker.

**Carlos City**—President, Mrs. Sarah Collins; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Henly; Treasurer, Mrs. Alice Hardwick.

**Lynn**—President, Mrs. Mary E. Clevenger; Secretary, Mrs. Rhoda Perry; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Cheneworth.

**Bloomington**—President, Mrs. Laura E. Paull; Vice-President, Mrs. O. N. Seibenthal; Secretary, Mrs. Flora A. Kitson; Treasurer, Mrs. Lena M. Beck; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Laura Bray.

**Hanover**—President, Miss Jennie Dunn; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ida Sturgus; Treasurer, Miss Eva Turner.

**Ridgeville**—President, Mrs. Nelson Hiatt; Secretary, Mrs. Nora Wellinger; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora Compton.

**Greencastle**—President, Mrs. Blanche Goodwine; Vice-President, Mrs. Martha Little; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Grace Hays; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Webb; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Gilmore.

**Fort Wayne**—President, Mrs. Jeannette Carpenter; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. E. Vining; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. C. Bloom; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Simmons.

**Hartford City**—President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; Vice-President, Mrs. A. E. Lee; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. Taylor; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. S. Armitage; Treasurer, Mrs. Jason Higgins; Organist, Mrs. Lena Cogshall; Choristers, Mrs. E. Winning and Mrs. A. L. Dowell.

The County officers of the W. C. T. U. of St. Joseph County, together with members of the local Unions of South Bend, met at the pleasant home of Mrs. Isaac Gorsuch, on W. Washington street, on November 14. Our County President, Mrs. Kate W. Holler, presided. The object of the meeting was to re-organize the Colfax Avenue Union, which was done in a very satisfactory manner. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Martha Huey; Vice-President, Mrs. Sue Orner; Secretary, Mrs. Lily Jeffries; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Leinard. The Union starts with eight paid members and there are prospects of others joining. Much enthusiasm was shown in the meeting, and the prospects for a good year of work is shown.

Mrs. Helen D. Hasford, President Oregon W. C. T. U., will be available for services in Indiana. She is an excellent speaker and most efficient worker.

A County having but one Union is not an organized county, and can have no County Officers. The Local Union Treasurer should send both County and State dues for each member (55 cents) direct to the State Treasurer until other Unions have been added to the county and a County Union effected.

Howard County sends the first order for State Minutes for all Local Presidents and County Superintendents. Several copies ordered for the different Local Unions.

Hadley Union held a meeting with Mrs. Amos Thomas, with several invited guests and eleven members present. A Mothers' meeting, arranged by our very earnest Superintendent, was the program for the day. Experiences were given by the mothers, and a recitation by Mrs. Belle Overman, of Fairmount Union, entitled "The Old Kitchen," was very entertaining. Mrs. Anna Winslow, our delegate, gave an inspiring report of State Convention. Much interest was manifested.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl writes: Mrs. Anna Lee and I came home from State Convention full of enthusiasm for a Loyal Legion for Hartford City. We held a meeting with a few children recently, talked to them and appointed another meeting for the next Friday evening. Then we had a good meeting and organized an L. T. L. and now have fifty pledged members. Mrs. Geo. Bonham, a deeply consecrated Christian woman, mother of three bright children, is Superintendent. Miss Eva Powell, a lovely young lady, who graduated last spring, took as a subject for her graduating essay "Miss Willard as President." We are proud of our L. T. L. and think it is well equipped. Mrs. Tracy, a sweet little mother and a beautiful singer, is a valuable helper in the L. T. L.

The W. C. T. U. of Covington and the Sunday schools of the different churches joined in celebrating the world's Sunday school temperance Sunday. There were recitations, readings and select music, also talks by the Superintendents of some of the Sabbath schools and appropriate remarks by others. In all it was a very interesting and instructive program. It is hoped that the inspiration from this meeting may result in great good for the future of the city of Covington.

KATE S. CRAIG,

Corresponding Secretary.

**Greensburg** is the first Union to send in a sample of their annual program.

Anna Gordon, World's Superintendent of the L. T. L., writes me of the L. T. L. work as reported in Edinburg, Scotland, in June last, and she is greatly encouraged to find how rapidly the L. T. L. methods are being adopted in distant lands, especially in Norway, Finland and the Australian colonies. Mrs. George, at the head of the work in Australia, especially urged the taking up of the senior course of study, diploma plan, etc.

Peru gave a supper December 5, for Hadley School.

Amboy has seven new members and a new President, Mrs. Doan, formerly President at Sheridan.

**Miami County** Corresponding Secretary had to resign.

**Willard Memorial Union**, Indianapolis, have their arrangements completed for Hadley Contest. Secured two new members at their last regular meeting.

**Central Union**, Indianapolis, gained two new members since the Convention.

**St. Joseph** is the first county to report a W. T. P. A. agent for every Union and heads the honor roll.

Dr. Jessup Smith spends the winter in New Mexico, but has provided for her department. Write her at Wabash as usual.

**Winchester** sent a barrel of fruit to Hadley and tied a comfort for the School. Have a contest arranged for December and another for January.

**Back Creek Union** ordered books for their Hadley Contest, November 9, and hope to be the first to report.

**Burlington** cast forty-nine votes for Prohibition against nine last year. That is something very encouraging. They have a wall pocket for literature in their barber shop.

**Whitley County** held its Convention October 12, and elected Mrs. Clara A. Remington, South Whitley, President. Sorry we did not receive report in time to make the change in the Annual Minutes.

**Columbia City Union** has disbanded, deserted, gone into winter quarters.

Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Arkansas, Kansas and Missouri held an inter-State Contest. An Indiana boy, who recently moved to Kansas City, won the medal.

**Ft. Wayne Union** recommends a rummage sale to replenish the treasury of Local Unions. The Young Woman's Christian Association held a sale of two weeks and cleared five hundred dollars.

**Jasper County at Surry**: A Contest with a class of young ladies. Mrs. S. B. Thorton, chairman.

#### HONOR ROLL.

Counties whose every Union have a W. T. P. A. agent: No. 1, St. Joseph.

The following program is to be rendered by the W. C. T. U. at Mrs. Everson's, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the celebration of Neal Dow's birthday: Instrumental solo, Miss Della Smith; vocal solo, Rev. Rader; Quotations, W. C. T. U.; Glimpses of Neal Dow in his Home, Miss Mabel Neal; vocal duette, Mesdames Hale and Rader; reminiscences, Mrs. Nelson; The Maine Law, Miss Inez McGregor; vocal duette, Mesdames Barker and Calkins; Life of Mrs. Dow, Mrs. Grace Edson; instrumental solo, Miss Mollie Schnur. Everybody invited; admission free.

The time to stand by your Union is when you "can't see that it is doing any good." Let us not be like the man who never went to church unless there was a revival in progress, and of whom people used to say, "if Mr. — ever gets to heaven he'll die in a revival."

If the drink traffic were annihilated those who are its patrons might, by voluntary contributions, support every distiller, brewer and bartender in absolute idleness and the country be financially the gainer by the change.

A large Union has to carry the members; in a small society the members have to carry the Union. So, it is about even, as in both cases the carrying power is exercised by the few—the faithful, immortal few. Are you one of them?—*Pacific Ensign*.

#### AMERICA THE SAME.

If I could destroy to-morrow the desire for strong drink in the people of England, we should see our taxes reduced by millions sterling. We should see our goals and work-houses empty. We should see more lives saved in twelve months than are consumed in a century of savage war.—*Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain*.

#### GOOD ADVICE CONDENSED.

Drink less, breathe more; eat less, chew more; ride less, walk more; clothe less, bathe more; worry less, work more; waste less, give more; write less, read more; preach less, practice more.

#### DIED OR FALLEN ASLEEP IN CHRIST.

Elizabeth Jones, at the age of fifty-five years, fell asleep in Christ Jesus, November 12, 1900, at her home in Broad Ripple, at five o'clock in the morning. She closed her eyes forever to the scenes of this world for a brighter, better land where Jesus is the light. She was a faithful member of the Methodist church, also a member and President of the Dorcas Society of the M. E. church. She was also a much loved member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Broad Ripple. She was a great sufferer for many years, but was always patient even to the end. She leaves to follow her, a husband, two sisters and a host of friends. She was placed in the vault at Ebenezer church.



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## W. C. T. U. BENEDICTION.

"The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up His countenance upon us and give us peace."



MRS. EUNICE P. WILSON,  
President Indiana W. C. T. U.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO YOU.

It would be a very great pleasure to me to take each one of you by the hand and feel the inspiration your presence would give me, but I cannot. I will do the next best—use our State paper in the hands of every White Ribboner to send along the line my greeting in the morning of this glad new year, at the dawn of a new century, with its wonderful possibility. I received at our late National Convention a much broader, a more comprehensive view of our work than ever before. And I do not believe Indiana will be behind other states in improving our opportunities, or slower to enter the open door to our Lord's service. Let us be looking for women who are now "standing idle in the market place" and try to enlist them in our ranks as helpers in the great battle for a pure home and a sober nation. Let everyone be energetic in circulating the petitions for signatures to be presented to the present legislature in regard to the suffrage amendment.

I have studied carefully the Plan of Work adopted by our late State convention and believe it to be worthy of our best efforts.

I do most earnestly recommend the L. T. L. branch as a feature of our work that must have a prominent place in this year's work.

"The children are afield" and cannot be neglected without the most serious results to the W. C. T. U. of the future.

I cannot close this little message to you without asking of you a very generous subscription to the *Union Signal*. Indiana should take at least three thousand copies at the late magnificent offer of one copy for three months for only 15 cents. No White Ribboner can afford to do without this paper on those terms and I think it would be a beautiful gift to our friends.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LETTER ON PREMIUMS.

DEAR SECRETARY—I am speaking to you as if there were only one in the State and as if it were a personal letter.

I shall give three premiums this year, first, second and third, and will make an Honor Roll of all who can in any sense have a place on it. First, those reporting for the four quarters and then the old points—completeness. Study this word in its connection with our blank. Neatness—no blots, no erasures. Promptness—on time. If I do not name the second and third premiums now, you can surely trust me and the surprise will be pleasant.

I suggest if County Corresponding Secretaries could in some way stimulate by fair and helpful means their Local Secretaries, it might remove much of their troubles in not hearing from the local Unions on time. A County Secretary should know her locals and cultivate friendly relations. Mutual helpfulness must be our watchword. I thank every dear Secretary who has sent in the names of her officers.

## INSTITUTES.

Work to begin in March. Organized counties to locate theirs. I have heard from two counties on this point—Miami and Bartholomew. This is the January paper. Then February is a short month and if this work is not complete, so I can give the scheduled places and dates in the February paper, some one will not have time to advertise and time enough will prove, as it always does, too late. Will the organized counties attend to this at once? And to the unorganized counties we say, invite us to come; give us suggestions as to the place. We would like to please everybody, and yet a schedule is much like the steel rails on a

railroad bed; when made or laid we must be pleased, they can't be changed, and yet the good of all has been considered. It is a task. Will everyone help to lighten it and help to make our institutes a greater success than at any previous year?

## ON THE BY-LAW.

In a few of our letters this question has been asked: "How do you expect us to carry on our local work," referring to the membership fee covering the price of the *MESSAGE*.

Any local Union, large or small, which depends entirely on its membership fee to do local work never does much. "And it will do less, now," you respond, "for we have still less money." The local Union has a larger share of the membership fee now than ever before; and the fact of 25 cents of its portion being set apart for the official organ places the Union in the best possible condition to do local work and to make the necessary money. One of the best ways for replenishing the treasury is to get honorary members. Aside from the financial gain, they are a source of strength to the Union and somewhat of a criterion to judge in what esteem the Union is held in the community. A second source of money making and one on which there is no discount, is to hold a contest. In the National Union \$18,000 was realized from contests last year and nearly two-thirds of the contests failed to give figures on this point.

## A MEASURING PARTY.

A measuring party will be given you  
By the ladies of the W. C. T. U.  
'Tis something novel and will be quite a treat,  
And there'll be plenty of fun and good things to eat.  
The invitation is in the sack  
For use in bringing or sending back  
Five cents for each foot that you are tall;  
We need money badly—we've many a call.  
An extra cent for each inch give  
And thereby show how high you live.  
And if perchance you can't attend,  
By some dear friend your sack please send.

N. B.—This note of invitation is sent in a sack, Union to determine size, kind, etc. Also provide program and refreshments. I do not approve of refreshments when they encourage overeating and that depends on the hours in which you serve them.

The new by-law seems to be very acceptable, with a very few exceptions. Over eight hundred subscriptions have been added to our mailing list from one hundred and two Unions at this date—January 2. At this rate, by the end of the fourth quarter the entire membership will have the *MESSAGE*. Unions are adopting the by-law and at our next convention we trust it will be placed in the Constitution without one dissenting voice. Dear co-workers, let this fact provoke us to good work. Our State is first on the imaginary National Roll of Honor for department work. National banners as follows will appear in our next annual gathering: For institutes, for fairs, Sunday schools, soldiers and sailors, narcotics, medal and last year's press star will shine if it is not a new planet. No other state in the Union has such a showing as that. I remember as I write, it is the new year of the new century. How much we should want to do for humanity, that means for God! If I could make you each a new year's gift it would be a copy of Henry Drummond's little booklet "Love, the Supreme Gift," and that it might lie with your Bible near you and that you might often read it and then live it.

Holiday festivities caused you to forget to send that condensed report from your Union. I missed it. Did we all notice the limitations in regard to our space in the *MESSAGE*? I repeat to save some one's feelings when their MSS. is cut short or left out.

Obituary notices limited to one hundred words; county reports, to three hundred; local, to one hundred; financial reports must be summary in form. See report of Central Committee in December issue, first page.

It is quite an opportunity for any Union to entertain the Executive Committee in March, and the Central Committee will soon decide its location. If other Unions are thinking of sending in an invitation they had better not delay or they will be too late. And remember, at the spring executive we locate the annual meeting. Several have asked why they failed to receive the blanket report blanks. We answer, because the Annual Convention said, send them out once this year; that is for the annual report, the last quarter of the year.

MARY E. BALCH.

## RECORDING SECRETARY'S LETTER.

Please allow me to speak to the women one wee word. Yes, the Minutes are out. They have been somewhat delayed, not by any fault of the Secretary, but a deficiency in the completeness of reports. So out of the kindness of our hearts we waited days for some of these reports, for we do desire all reports to be as full and complete as possible.

Let us remember all through the new year that the By-laws say that "all reports shall be in the

hands of the Recording Secretary five days previous to the State Convention," and if these reports are desired printed for the annual meeting they must surely be in sooner than five days. Now let us work to this end another year, urging our Superintendents to be faithful in keeping a record of work done and very faithful in reporting it.

Lovingly,  
MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON.

## STATE TREASURER.

As a result of special effort, the *Union Signal* can be secured as a trial copy for three months for 15 cents. This is a magnificent offer. What a beautiful Christmas present for your ministers, your friends, yourselves and the *Signal*. No premiums offered. The subscriber receives the benefit of the reduction.

We are especially anxious for this trial copy to go into the hands of every local officer and Superintendent in your Union who is not already a subscriber. Ask every member to take the paper. If you cannot make the canvas yourself please secure some one at once who can and send your list not later than January 31. If Convention number is desired, send by December 31.

The Union sending largest list, in proportion to its membership, will receive honorary mention in *Signal* and *MESSAGE*. You cannot afford to miss this opportunity.

Club lists and money for same must be sent to my address, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am most enthusiastically yours,

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Dear Y's, wishing all a Happy New Year, may it also be a busy one. Pray each day that the Father will help us to double our membership; be faithful at all times, courageous for the temperance principles our W. C. T. U. leaders sacrificed so much for. Keep our motto ever before you, "Onward to Victory."

Wednesday, December 5, the State Y Secretary visited the Goodland Y. W. C. T. U. It was the close of the Newton County Convention, and that evening the Y had a program in the Presbyterian church, consisting of music by chorus, and White Ribbon Quartette, composed of young men who are Y's. Recitation by one of the young ladies, followed by an address by the State Y Secretary.

Friday evening, at the home of the County President, Mrs. Hardy, a Y social was held. A program was enjoyed. Miss Sears had charge of a question box, which brought out many departments of the Y work. Mrs. Hardy and charming daughter proved to be equal to the occasion, giving each one a warm welcome, and you felt at home at once.

Mrs. Mugg, the President of Goodland Y, is a splendid leader, the right woman in the right place, and being such a busy woman I know our Y's will help her all they can. It was the delight of the Secretary to be entertained in Mrs. Mugg's home and become acquainted with her worker.

Of the first quarterly blanks that were sent out, thirty-three in all, only the following were returned: South Marion, Anderson, Alexandria, Otterbein, South Bend, Martinsville, Goshen, Peru, Vincennes; only nine out of thirty-three. Dear Y girls, as this *MESSAGE* is to go into your homes, now look over this list and see if your Corresponding Secretary has returned the blanks, and if not, please help her.

Monrovia, Morgan County Y, gave toward Convention Fund for 1901, \$1.00. As the Unions send in their part assigned to the Unions the amount will be published in the *MESSAGE*.

Send me items of accounts of your meetings on postals, girls, because I must send it to Miss Parish, our National Y Secretary, each week, and I must depend upon you.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## A COPY OF THE BY-LAW ADOPTED AT THE LAST STATE CONVENTION.

Any woman may become a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union by endorsing the constitution and paying an annual membership fee of \$1.00, of which 40 cents shall be paid for State dues, 15 cents for county dues, 20 cents for Local Union dues and 25 cents for the official organ, the *MESSAGE*, and signing the following pledge: —

According to the standing announcement on the second page, all material for the *MESSAGE* should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

Dear sisters, the limitations placed by the Central Committee upon communications from State Superintendents, County and Local Union reports will hereafter be considered by the Editor. These limitations have appeared in recent issues.



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## WHAT WILL THE OPENING OF THE NEW CENTURY BRING TO US IN W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE WORK?

It is the privilege of a lifetime to greet you at the threshold of a new year and a new century, and with you to entertain a hope and a faith that the century holds for humanity a fruition of developments as bright and beautiful as its dawn.

To the end that this may be true, let us recount our blessings with thanksgiving and rejoicing and thoughtfully and hopefully plan for greater conquests in 1901.

Such a planning we believe was well begun at our Annual Convention held in Frankfort in October.

With the annual report in hand, let us turn to page 44 and read carefully "Modifications of Institute Plan," and on page 141 read "The Plan in Brief," and proceed to work accordingly.

If an account of illness, absence from home or other unavoidable detention from the work, the County President (acting as ex-officio Superintendent of Institutes) is unable to call a timely meeting of her Executive, or to otherwise arrange for the Institute, the Vice President (where there is one) or Corresponding Secretary should promptly come to her aid and set the forces in motion. When the place for holding the Institute has been decided, State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh Street, should be notified.

It is very desirable that every County President forward this information at her earliest convenience in January, that the Secretary may have time to make the schedule of dates on the best route possible in time for publication in the February issue of the MESSAGE, which issue will also contain the suggestive outline program for 1901.

It will be seen that the first Committee to be organized is the one to arrange for the Contest, as supplies are to be ordered, a class formed, etc.

Do not forget that supplies include 200 or more tickets to contest in small envelopes, to be sold in advance, if we insure the good hearing we want for our principles, as proclaimed by our young people in recitation. This is necessary also for the welfare of the county treasury. Send the money with the order for medal, books and tickets, to the State Superintendent of Contests, Mrs. Balch, addressing her as above.

On the supposition that County Presidents have, or will early prepare a County W. C. T. U. Roster of their local Unions, etc., they are kindly requested to hand a copy of this Roster to the leader of the Institute at the opening of the session. Those Presidents who were mindful of this request last year furnished a basis for helpfulness in the work of the county. The program will provide for the discussion of the topic, what should the County Roster contain to be most helpful to the work? This discussion to be lead by the County President, with a copy of the roster at hand, illustrating her ideas.

At the close of the Institutes held on a schedule of dates a premium will be awarded to the County President making the best roster. Points to be judged—First, completeness; second, neatness and accuracy. Our State Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer have been asked to serve as judges. This roster can be prepared on congress cap paper in any simple, plain way which commends itself to the County President preparing it. That there may be sufficient uniformity to enable the judges to do their work easily, let the roster contain—First, W. C. T. U. Roster of — County, Ind., for the year 1901; second, the names of the county officers with their respective offices and their postoffice address; third, name each local Union, its officers, etc. Give the number of paid members and also enrolled members. If there is a Y branch working with the W's, give its membership in the same way. Give honoraries and Y honoraries separately. Give totals throughout the roster. Register independent Y Unions just as W Unions are given. Give the number

of L. T. L. organizations in the county, with the number of members in each, also give the name and address of the leader; fourth, give the number of State papers taken by each Union, number of *Union Signals* and other periodicals published for our work. Give total for the county; fifth, credit each local Union having a W. T. P. A. agent with the same. Credit each local Union making a study of Department work. State plan of work, course of study, State constitution, etc. Credit each Union reporting an annual program or doing other special work of general interest; sixth, give the number of departments taken up by the county and by each local Union. On a second sheet make a schedule of County Superintendents of Departments, with corresponding Superintendents for each local Union in the county, registered in columns to the right. This may be extended by columns on the left for corresponding State, National and World's Superintendents. This makes a practical and helpful completion of the list; seventh and lastly, give brief statement or outline of the work mapped out for your county for the year.

Now, dear County Presidents, please do not imagine your Superintendent has converted herself into an interrogation point to give you your work. Some of you have already provided yourselves with a roster similar to the one indicated and found it most helpful. And will those who are newer in the work please believe that such a nucleus or basis of information as a good roster always at hand gives the foundation upon which a beautiful superstructure of surpassing good work can be most easily built?

As the other county officers co-operate with you by furnishing such information as is in their line, your roster will be almost made. If you combine the facts in a simple and methodical way, making a tabulated page or showing of facts and figures, it will not occupy as much space as has been taken to indicate what it should contain.

Do not fail to send me at once any helpful suggestions you may have for the work, together with any subjects you are especially anxious to have placed on the program.

March 20th will be about the time of beginning work in sections one, two and three. In section four the work will begin later, as usual.

A few counties have already reported the place for holding Institute to our Corresponding Secretary. We trust that all will do this on time and that nothing may be left undone that should contribute to make this opening year of the century all it should be in our work.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.

## ATTENTION.

Each County Superintendent of a Department is expected to send on a card immediately the full names and addresses of all of her Local Superintendents to the respective State Superintendents.

The blanket report blanks being sent quarterly last year so greatly increased the sum total of the work done that Indiana, with less than six thousand paid members, won banners in four departments. Consider, please, what that means. Other states, with from fourteen to twenty-three thousand paid members, let Indiana gain department banners. Now, by a very unwise act of the State Convention, the blanket-report blanks will not be sent quarterly, so much diligence will be necessary on the part of Local and County Superintendents to all keep up the splendid record made. In the matter of reporting and of the blanks, the State, County and Local Superintendents ought to be considered instead of those who estimate more from the postage standpoint than from the real activity urged by having to report the work of the departments quarterly.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

### RECEIPTS.

Cedar, on last year	\$5 00	Winchester.....	\$3 70
Deer Creek, contest.....	3 15	Fortville.....	4 00
Catherine Robbins, contest.....	3 00	Shoals.....	63
Apportionment.....	90	Martha Church, solicitor.....	100 00
Michigan City, contest.....	3 00	Cox farm.....	20 00
Eaton.....	4 74	Westfield, donation	10 00
Lucerne.....	3 00	Contest.....	4 00
Alexandria.....	3 00	Oxford, on last y'r.	37
Mrs. Parker, solicitor.....	77 45	Indianapolis, Willard contest.....	10 00
LaPorte, on last year.....	1 00	Broad Ripple, thank offering...	3 60
Muncie.....	3 82	Meridian, thank offering.....	1 92
South Wabash.....	5 00	Central, thank offering.....	4 93
Bluffton.....	10 00	Indianapolis, Anna Gordon Union...	2 00
Rochester, apportionment.....	1 80	Wallace, on last year.....	2 87
Bath.....	70	General fund.....	43
Hadley.....	3 38	Calves.....	7 00
Carrie Warner.....	1 00	Hogs.....	46 39
Oak Ridge.....	40	Bluffton.....	5 00
N. Vernon Cent'l.	7 00	LaFayette, on last year.....	22 41
Crawfordsville.....	5 50	LaFayette Cent'l...	4 30
Dunkirk.....	1 50	LaFayette East.....	2 88
Vincennes.....	5 00	Stockwell.....	1 80
Chalmers.....	11 00	LaFayette, offering.....	5 00
Boswell, on last year.....	3 36	LaFayette Central.	5 00
Bloomington, contest.....	2 80	LaFayette East...	5 00
Roseville.....	2 00		

### DISBURSEMENTS.

Flour.....	\$25 00
Hadley & Carter, hardware.....	25 00
Mrs. Steele, Superintendent, salary.....	20 00
Mrs. McLenay, Matron.....	12 00
Lucretia Hobart, envelopes and postage.....	21 20
Mary Tarlton, expenses.....	8 20
Mary Pearson, teacher.....	15 00
Mrs. Steele, salary.....	20 00
Emergency fund.....	10 00
Mrs. Parker, salary in full.....	83 03
Martha Church, salary.....	60 00
Morris Hadley, meal.....	48 09
Groceries.....	20 00

DEAR SISTERS—Please state if money sent is for contest, last year apportionment or donation. Give name of Union, always.  
REBECCA HESSONG.

## NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

Total number delegates to National Convention at Washington, 629. 14,467 net gain in paid membership during the year, twelve States on Benefit Night each having made a gain of five hundred or over.

Ohio gaining two thousand, being the greatest, won the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner, which Indiana held for two years. Much aggressive work all over the Nation. Madam Barakat, of Syria, and Miss Munculd, of Australia, were in attendance.

Fifty-seven delegates and visitors from Indiana. Almost solid in representation by States from the South.

Mrs. Rice, National Secretary L. T. L. Branch, gave her report in the language of a Bible parable, which was interesting and unique and greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, National Superintendent of Legislation, announced to the Convention that the Anti-Canteen Amendment had passed the House by a large majority. The Convention applauded and applauded, finally rising spontaneously and singing "Praise God."

The twelve States making a net gain of five hundred or over were represented on Benefit Night by their Presidents: New York, Mrs. Ella A. Boole; Iowa, Mrs. Marion H. Dunham; West Washington, Mrs. Margaret B. Platt; Maine, Mrs. Gertrude Stevens Leavitt (daughter of our National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens), who spoke for the Y's, for the gains were made by the young women; Ohio, Mrs. Annie W. Clark; Connecticut, Mrs. Cornelia B. Forbes; Virginia, Mrs. Howard M. Hodge; Michigan, Mrs. A. S. Benjamin; Vermont, Mrs. Ida H. Read; New Hampshire, Mrs. Ellen R. Richardson; West Virginia, Mrs. N. R. C. Morrow.

The National President's address ought to be read by every Union. Send 15 cents to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill., for a copy of the National Minutes. It will contain the address and officers' and superintendents' reports. Have extracts from the address read at the Union by the President. Also have the officers of the Union and Superintendents of departments.

If the President of the Union will read extracts from the address it will be very interesting. If the Corresponding Secretary will read extracts from the National Corresponding Secretary's report much information would be gained. Also if each Local Superintendent would read extracts from her National Superintendent's report the Union would become enthusiastic on some of the work. In regard to the officers' and superintendents' reports the same plan exactly would be helpful if our State Minutes were used. These can be had for 15 cents in stamps, sent to Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis. Extracts from the Minutes, State and National, should be published in the county newspapers.

Miss Anna Gordon presided at the election of President and introduced Mrs. Stevens, whereupon the entire convention arose, receiving her amid smiles and the waving of handkerchiefs, finally singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow." Miss Gordon then presented Mrs. Leavitt (daughter of Mrs. Stevens), who said: "You all think you know my mother, but you do not know her half as well as I do. I know her as only an only daughter can know a mother. I never saw her angry nor impatient, but always kind and loving. She never forgets nor neglects anybody but herself." (From the platform Mrs. Leavitt favors Lady Henry Somerset.)

Flowers were presented to Mrs. Stevens from many places, among them Portland, Me., and Portland, Ore.

Mrs. Lenora M. Lake came impulsively forward on the platform and said, "An Irish woman, born in the beautiful city of Cork, an American by adoption, a Catholic by faith and allegiance and one with you in principle, salutes you and congratulates you on your election." She then kissed Mrs. Stevens on the cheek.

Mrs. J. K. Barney knelt with Mrs. Stevens and offered a fervent prayer.

It was a very impressive scene.

In the death of Mrs. Hannah J. Clark, of Elkhart, Indiana W. C. T. U. has lost a generous and loving friend. We mourn her loss. Through her great kindness our Hadley Industrial School received a gift of \$800, and last winter another gift of \$500. At her request her name was not mentioned in connection with this last gift while she lived.



## FRANCHISE.

Local newspapers have recently spoken with righteous indignation about the common practice of police officials and police courts of arresting and punishing women and letting men go free when their guilt was equal. This injustice done by men in power towards women who are in their power shames the dark ages, when women were worse than slaves to the passions and caprices of men, and is a burning shame in a country like ours. A liberty-loving and justice-dealing people ought to forever put out of practice double dealing. The good old plan that "they shall take who have the power and they shall keep who can," a sort of wild justice that was made up of all injustice.

We in America brought with us from England their laws. These laws are like the English language—composed of many elements; but the Saxon code lies under all, with its strong tendency to personal liberty and exact and equal justice to high and low, women as well as men, just as the Saxon tongue is the basis and foundation of our language.

Always seeking after right and common sense, our law is not perfect; nor is it perfectly administered, but the whole world admits that the English-speaking people have the best laws known to man. Now all who have a righteous sense of justice believe that exact and equal justice merged into law and faithfully executed would mete out equal punishment to equal transgressors, both men and women; but in order to accomplish this, women must have a share in helping to frame the laws and in their execution.

Our National W. C. T. U. Convention, at Washington, D. C., urged by resolution the "enfranchisement of women, expresses sympathy with organized labor in its just demands for a living wage, an eight-hour day, the prohibition of child labor, and in all wise efforts for justice and freedom," urging the adoption of laws to secure equal purity in both sexes and protesting against the government regulation of vice in any form.

In an address of welcome to the National Council of Women, Mayor Gray, of Minneapolis, Minn., said: "We owe more in Minneapolis to the character of our women than to any other factor in the progress of the city. We need the infusion into city life of woman's activity. While I have been mayor we have made an attempt to have a woman on the Board of Health, but largely on account of political favoritism we have failed to get one there. We have had a woman on the School Board, and I believe she did her work in an efficient manner. One was nominated this year, but unfortunately she was put on the Democratic ticket. The men on the board are well meaning enough, but they look on the outside of a building and feel satisfied. A woman would see the stairs and the corners of the room, where a man sees the pretty principal. I shall welcome the day when the women of Minneapolis have a great deal more to say about these affairs than they have at present."

At the convention of the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association, Mayor Hartenbower, in his speech of welcome, endorsed the purpose of that organization, and added, "Many desirable reforms can never be brought about until we get woman's aid at the ballot box."

Women of Indiana, let us put forth every effort to gain an equal recognition before the law.

MRS. M. A. TOMPKINS.

## PRESS DEPARTMENT.

You have a new Superintendent this year, and I hope to lead you on to greater victories. My desire is to have every town in Indiana, where there is a Union, to have their W. C. T. U. column in the newspaper. Will the Local and County President please appoint a reliable, capable woman in their County and local Unions and send me their names?

Continue to save the clippings. Indiana showed much work done last year. Can we not do better this year? Other States are taking up our plan of work. So we must look to our laurels. Mrs. Vance, your last Superintendent, was given a large silver star at the National, at Seattle, for the best report of Press Work of any State in the Nation. I am having made a White Satin Banner with a large gilt star on it to be given each year to the County sending the greatest number of feet of clippings. Which counties will work for it this year, to be given at the State Convention? I urge every Superintendent to take up this plan of work. Send me your name so I can send you my new leaflet, with full directions for this year's work.

MRS. MAY MOSER,  
State Superintendent.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear co-workers, County and Local Superintendents of this very important department, I wish I could look into your faces, that we might have a real heart to heart talk about the great importance of our work. Our object is to glorify God in teaching the highest truth and advocating the best life we know—the dominion of the Holy Spirit over every faculty and propensity of the mind, soul and body, developing the faculties, so as to attain to the purity of heart which merits the benedictions, "Blessed are the pure in heart."

I have already received letters asking for plan of work. My plan, to begin with, is a County Superintendent for every county, and a Local Superintendent for every Union. Different localities will demand different plans. Let Local Superintendents be watchful, prayerful and vigilant. Don't always depend on W. C. T. U. day for your mothers' meetings; there is

so much to do you will not have sufficient time. Ask some good woman to let you have a mothers' meeting in her home; ask her to invite her neighbors and you send special invitations to young mothers. Go filled with the Spirit; the Bible your text book, the Holy Ghost your guide. Your meetings will be a success and a demand for others will be created.

Dear sisters, our foundation stone is unswerving faith in the efficacy of united prayer, and because we have faith in united prayer, shall we not pledge ourselves (I will; who will join me?) to earnestly and persistently pray every day to our God who does hear and answer prayer, to guide and direct us in teaching these fundamental facts of purity, and the great responsibility of parenthood. Let us bear in mind that the child inherits the vices of the father as truly as the virtues of the mother. Provide yourselves with literature; you cannot be efficient workers without it. Ask ministers to preach on the responsibility of parents. Be definite; "aiming at nothing and hitting it," will be no more effective in this work than in the use of guns. Plan carefully and prayerfully for each meeting and organize mothers' clubs where possible. Establish a circulating library, keep a record of all work done, all literature distributed and report at the proper time. Please write your name and address plainly; I can guess at most anything else better than that. I believe the efficiency of mothers' meetings is measured by their spiritual power, therefore, let us keep in close touch with God and one another. I desire to be helpful in every way I can, and will respond to every call for help to the best of my ability. Will send samples of literature to every one that will apply. Lovingly and loyally yours for service,

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

## ANTI-NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT.

DEAR SISTERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS—In appreciation of the honor bestowed upon me, let untiring service be my plea. If I could only arrest the mother's thought long enough to see the great disadvantage we are laboring under, not to say the great degeneracy, nay more, the greatest of all injuries and legacies, that our indifference and shameless neglect bequeath to our offspring and to the world at large, we would repent in sack cloth and ashes and only aspire to live to undo and partly remedy our only opportunity along this line.

We of our sex have tolerated, encouraged and delayed to frown upon this greatest of all evils, until we have suffered untold privations, nay, agonies, and our very heart's blood has been sacrificed upon the altar of this idol—narcotics. It has not only mastered all that is best within us, but all that we ever dare be, unless prompt action seizes us with fear and trembling and spurs us on to victory. Sisters, united, any vigorous effort, with God's help, can accomplish wonders. Think of one chasing a thousand and two putting ten thousand to flight! Too many of our people say, "You cannot expect to do anything under our present administration, local or national," and we have found the saying of Senator Hawley, of Connecticut, verified: "God holds the hearts of all men in his hands, and will turn the way of the wicked upside down." Let us throw up every stronghold and attack our wily enemy from every feasible point, leaving the result with God.

Let me thank Miss A. Turner, Corresponding Secretary of Howard County, for her prompt action in sending me the names of Anti-Narcotic Superintendents of her county. I will consider it a great favor if other counties will do likewise, so we can all encourage and co-operate in our department work. Please write me as she does, and send me your suggestions to glean the best from and weave into systematic work for the redemption of our race.

I hereby pledge myself, upon honor, to abstain from smoking cigarettes or using tobacco in any form, at least until I reach the age of twenty-one years and to use my influence to induce others to do the same.

Name..... Date..... Age.....

## GIRLS' AUXILIARY A. C. L.

My strength is as the strength of ten, because my heart is pure.

Abstaining myself from the use of cigarettes, or tobacco in any form, I agree to use my influence to induce others to do the same. I will never admit a liking for the odor of tobacco or give presents suggesting its use.

Name..... Date..... Age.....

I am glad to report work in several of our towns is in arms against the tobacco and cigarette—the most insidious destroyer of our homes the devil has been able to invent. It will require the utmost vigilance, united work and prayer on our part to defeat such a wily enemy who has gotten such a hold on every home (very few exceptions) that the very vitals of our nation are paralyzed almost beyond redemption. Six months' persistent and united effort would rout tobacco from our State. We have state protection in the Tobacco and Anti-Cigarette Law. We citizens fail to enforce them for our own safety. We each one can do as Patrolman Aldstadt, of Muncie, who followed up two small boys whom he saw smoking, which led to the arrest of the dealer. Another arrest was made of a grocer who sold to a boy of thirteen. Roxbury, Mass., has been infested with a gang of boy burglars of 13 to 21 years of age. Captain Wyman, of the Tenth police station, explains matters thus: "We have been compelled to arrest several school-going youngsters on charges of burglary and the only rea-

son I can possibly assign for their criminal actions is that they have become cigarette fiends and in order to satisfy their depraved tastes they take to stealing. It is practically a gang of school-boy bandits and their downfall is traceable to cigarettes." The boys from every section of the country read of wrecks in various forms, deaths, murders and all forms of crimes due to cigarettes and tobacco. Tobacco sots or wrecks are more common than whisky sots. Why? Because the agitation and work of temperance reforms have been solely against liquors and the use of tobacco, the instigator, has been considered genteel and overlooked until it has assumed such gigantic proportions, in which the expenditure of money, brain and energy have been so ruthlessly squandered, we have become a race of degenerates, and thus too timid to assert our rights and hold our own.

Many giants—great and small,  
Stalking through the land,  
Headlong to the earth would fall  
If met by Daniel's band.  
Dare to be a Daniel!  
Dare to stand alone!  
Dare to have a purpose firm,  
Dare to make it known.

Let us all read the first chapter of Daniel, purpose to be Daniels and we can fully accomplish in our day, having the same God, as much as Daniel did in his day.

MRS. ELIZABETH DRAKE,  
State Superintendent.

[This excellent paper to be continued in next month's issue.—EDITOR.]

The State Minutes are now in the hands of the State Treasurer. All orders will be filled promptly. Now that the holidays are over, it is to be hoped that every Union that has not already done so will immediately solicit an order for the Minutes from every member and send the order at once to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian St., Indianapolis.

The number of Minutes taken by a Union will be placed opposite the name of the Union in the State Minutes at the close of this year. We are sure that every Union will be glad to have a large number opposite the name of their Union. How many will make it equal to their membership?

The names of the counties and local Unions that have supplied every officer and Superintendent with a copy of the State Minutes will be given in the next issue of the MESSAGE. This will give every county an equal chance to be upon the Honor Roll. Many counties and Unions have already reported. We hope to hear from a great many in the next week. In sending in the list do not fail to say whether they go into the hands of all officers and Superintendents or not. I cannot put names on the Honor Roll unless the information is given me.

Only those who have paid dues since September 25, 1900, are entitled to the MESSAGE to be paid for from the funds taken from the State, County and Local treasuries.

The new by-law in regard to the MESSAGE applies to every member who pays dues, both Y's and W's.

Mrs. Julia A. Trish goes to Arkansas for a season to work among the colored people.

The price of the State Minutes, if sent by mail, is 15 cents per copy; this includes postage. If sent by express, the price is 10 cents per copy, the express charges to be paid by the Union or person ordering them, when delivered.

## EXTRACTS FROM STATE MINUTES.

Following the precedent set by the State in its decision to send a free copy of the National Minutes to County Presidents and State Superintendents, the State voted that the counties should send a free copy of the State Minutes to each local Union President, County President and County Superintendent.

Moved, that this convention recommend to the County Presidents that they make an effort to place the Minutes in the hands of every member in their respective counties.

In harmony with the action of the State Convention in placing the Minutes in the hands of county officers, the State Central Committee suggested that the local Unions place free copies of the State Minutes in the hands of all the other local Union officers and local Union Superintendents.

A letter has been sent to every Union in the State announcing the magnificent offer made to Indiana by the publishers of the Union Signal.

Think of it! A three months' subscription for only 15 cents! Can we as Unions and members afford to let this opportunity pass of placing the National organ in the hands of every member, of every minister, and many friends of temperance? Please allow me to suggest that every member consider herself a member of the committee to assist the Literature Superintendent by subscribing herself, if she is not already a subscriber, and securing at least one other subscriber. Neal Dow, that grand man of Maine, said, "Sow the State knee deep with literature." Now, dear sisters, this is a golden opportunity. This offer stands open until January 31. Many have already sent names. Let many others follow.

The Union Signal as a weekly visitor in the homes of hundreds of people in our State will mean much to the temperance cause. No premium is offered. The subscriber receives the benefit of the reduction. Club lists and money for same must be sent to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian St., Indianapolis.



## FIELD NOTES.

The Willard Memorial Y, of South Bend, have nice wall pockets for the depots.

**South Bend** has just closed a very successful Sabbath Observance pledge-signing in the Sunday schools.

The little band of workers of the Willard W. C. T. U. at Lexington, are still striving in the noble work of temperance. The meetings are held every two weeks, on Saturday afternoons, at the homes of the different members. Once each month a Mothers' meeting is held. Thanksgiving Union Services were held and in the evening a profitable lecture on "Little Things," was given by Rev. J. C. Burkhardt, of Irvington. Socials are held frequently and arrangements are being made for a new class in the oratorical work. Our daily prayers are for trust and guidance to help us on in the work and to do all we can for those who are held in the bonds of intemperance.

The Secretary of State filed our articles of incorporation December 31, 1900.

State Superintendent Jones, of Public Instruction, said in the revision of the School books, the Indiana law, requiring temperance teaching in the public schools, was considered. The work of revision is completed.

The MESSAGE has opened an account with the People's Deposit Bank of Indianapolis.

The National Equal Suffrage Bazar, held in New York the first week in December, netted their treasury six thousand dollars. Mrs. Catt and Miss Hay led in the enterprise.

The Indiana delegates and visitors who were entertained at the Elsmere, while at the National Convention, say to their friends, if you visit Washington, D. C., this winter, or at any time, you will find the Elsmere has no bar, and treats her guests with great consideration and kindness.

**White County** is without a President. The lady who filled that place, Mrs. Ora Boner, has removed to Illinois. An Executive Committee meeting will be called and the vacancy filled.

**Wolcott Union's** program has a visitors' day, which called out a very large attendance.

**Danville Union** reports great increase in membership, due to Miss Brehm's visit there, and they all read the MESSAGE.

The Anti-Cigarette League of Ft. Wayne has an office in the Ninde Block, West Berry Street. They have an orchestra and choral society, a court of trial, judge, attorney and jury. Hold monthly meetings.

Some women do want to vote; 145,000 registered to vote for the President, but Woolley did not get them all.

**Hartford City Union** sends program. A roll of the regular and honorary members is a new feature and a good one, too.

At the meeting of the Gas City Union, held December 26, the State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson, and the Grant County President, Mrs. Julia Shugart, were present. Mrs. Shugart led the devotional exercises by reading and commenting on the Ninety-first Psalm, followed by prayer. Mrs. Wilson gave a very entertaining address about her trip to the National Convention at Washington. We very much appreciated their company and services and feel encouraged to persevere in the good work.

One Indianapolis Union felt dismayed at the prospect of taking 10 cents per member out of the local dues, as per by-law, for sending the MESSAGE to every member, but true and loyal set about immediately to earn money. Within a short time \$4.40 was put into the treasury and now a "name quilt" is being made also for the benefit of the treasury; this besides the oratorical contest for Hadley. The entire amount required for the MESSAGE from the dues was \$2.40, so in an effort to make that amount much more has been received. Victory, Northeast Union, with quilt and success to Mrs. Morris in contest work.

**Bloomington** held an L. T. L. contest for the Hadley Home. Would have held it earlier, but had been in a series of meetings for four weeks. Medal won by Miss Marianna Lindley. All who attended were well entertained and decided it a close contest. Title of selection spoken by winner of medal was "The Bridal Winecup." Receipts not so large as would have been if we could have held contest two weeks sooner, as every church in town was preparing for Christmas entertainments and next night was Senior public at our academy and some were preparing for that.

**Miami County Convention** was a grand success. Reports of Superintendents very fine. Miss Alice Dunlap also gave us a taste of the World's Convention at Edinburgh. She will report later in full. First evening—A Gold and Silver medal contest, largely attended. Second evening—A lecture by Mrs. Retta Jones, President of Madison County. She is a witty and entertaining speaker and gave great satisfaction. Miss Clara Sears, our State Y Secretary, gave us a fine talk also, and won the hearts of all. A reception followed, with light refreshments. The City Quartette furnished most delightful music. A register was prepared with pretty frontispiece tied with white ribbon, and all that attended registered. I see names from Howard County and other places. Mrs. Retta Jones and myself went to Mexico Thursday. They drove over

after us. We were royally entertained in one of the best homes. Mrs. Jones delivered her lecture at the Baptist church there and I never saw a nicer audience or one better pleased. I talked a short time to the children. Just as soon as I can I am to go there and organize a Union. There are many fine, intelligent women there. They want Mrs. Jones to come again.

Mrs. Wilson writes—I commenced the new year and the new century by organizing a little Union in West Marion with seven members, one honorary, January 1, 2 o'clock P. M. President, Mrs. Emma Wright; Secretary, Mrs. M. J. Hippenstall; Treasurer, Mrs. Melissa Shannon. Did any one organize a Union earlier than that in 1901; if not, I get the banner.

**Pt. Isabel Union** held what we called a department meeting, Sunday afternoon, December 16, the Superintendent of each department preparing and reading papers on their work. The subjects treated were, Sabbath Observance, Flower Mission, Literature, Scientific Temperance and Press. We hoped to arouse an interest in our work by that means.

## MARION COUNTY.

On the 13th of December, in the Universalist Church of this city, was held an all day and evening department conference of Marion County White Ribboners. The object of the conference was the discussion and adoption of plans for working the various departments taken up by the county.

The meeting was a success. This was due to the careful planning of the County Board of Superintendents for weeks previous and to the hearty support which department work receives from our county officers. Mrs. Gipe, our County President, having in previous years served as one of the State's most efficient Superintendents, realizes that department work, to amount to anything, must never be handicapped for lack of support and co-operation.

According to the county's new constitution, the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents were elected, as were all other officers, by ballot, and form part of the County Executive Committee. Mrs. M. E. Sims was chosen President and Mrs. Frances Metz Secretary of the Board. The plan for the conference above named was evolved soon after election, and it was intended then that it should be held very soon after the county convention, so that plans given out might be put in operation early in the year. Other important dates, however, conflicted, which postponed it until the time mentioned.

During the preparation for the conference a number of departments were added to those previously carried, so that now we have the following, with their respective Superintendents:

## I. ORGANIZATION.

Young Woman's Branch—Mrs. Frances Metz, 632 Division Street.

Loyal Temperance Legion Branch—Mrs. J. W. Beckett, 2318 Ashland Avenue.

Work Among Foreign Speaking People—Mrs. Candace Hartzog, 1537 N. Capitol Avenue.

Work Among Colored People—Miss Susan Clark, 226 N. New Jersey Street.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

Health and Heredity and Physical Culture—Dr. Anna Bryson, 930 Massachusetts Avenue.

Non-Alcoholic Medication—Dr. Anna Bryson, 930 Massachusetts Avenue.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

Scientific Temperance Instruction—Miss Della Brown, 523 Lord Street.

Sunday School—Mrs. Ida Copper, 923 N. Alabama Street.

Temperance Literature—Mrs. Stella Bennett, 1508 N. Senate Avenue.

Temperance and Labor, Law and Statistics—Mrs. Ida De Vore, 532 Division Street.

Parliamentary Usage—Mrs. Martha L. Gipe, 808 N. Delaware Street.

The Press—Mrs. Mary E. Sims, 3346 Central Avenue.

Reporter for *Phalanx*—Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan, 226 N. New Jersey Street.

Anti-Narcotics—Mrs. Josephine Pee, 3422 N. Illinois Street.

Medal Contests—Miss Maud Baker, 1210 Ash Street.

Hadley Industrial School—Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Nora.

Household Economics—Mrs. Mary A. Moody, 219 E. 10th Street.

## IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Evangelistic and Gospel Temperance Meetings—Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan, 226 N. New Jersey Street.

Communion Wine—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware Street.

Proportionate and Systematic Giving—Mrs. E. G. Cornelius, 1005 N. Meridian Street.

Penal and Reformatory—Mrs. Margaret E. Leighton, 37 Jefferson Avenue.

Work Among Railroad Employees—Mrs. Ida Hawn, 1411 Fletcher Avenue.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. LaRue, 2132 Cornell Ave.

Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. C. H. Williams, Irvington.

Mercy—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th Street.

Purity and Mothers' Meetings—Mrs. Belle White, 1111 Lexington Avenue.

Purity in Literature and Art—Mrs. Frances Metz, 632 Division St.

## V. SOCIAL.

Flower Mission—Mrs. Cassandra Robbins, 12 West North Street.

Associate—Mrs. Parsons, 510 East 15th Street.

State and County Fairs—Mrs. Olivia French, 1704 N. Capitol Avenue.

## VI. LEGAL.

Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Mary E. Sims.

Franchise—Mrs. J. R. Wood.

Peace and Arbitration—Mrs. Gulie Stanton, 445 East 10th Street.

Of these thirty-two departments, all but four of them were presented upon our program by their Superintendents; of these four, three were prevented by sickness, the other, Dr. Bryson, by professional duties. Each of our fourteen Unions was well represented in attendance.

Each Superintendent presented her plans, each presentation being followed by questions and discussion in which the entire conference participated. It had been requested that these plans be brought in in writing, that they might be published in Mrs. Balch's department of the *Phalanx*, the very acceptable medium of our county for all matter too lengthy for the MESSAGE, and sent to local Unions and County Superintendents for future reference. There were but few failures to comply with this request.

As a benediction upon our meeting and all plans for its success we had with us our new State President, Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, who gave us a delightful greeting in the forenoon and lead us in the Noon-tide prayer.

In the evening, after the Y, L. T. L. and S. T. I. departments were presented, for which place could not be given during the day, for lack of time, Mrs. Wilson gave us a short address. Those of us who heard it were very forcibly reminded of Mrs. McWhirter's comparison a year ago, at Marion, of Mrs. Wilson to Miss Willard. Her clear, calm, forcible manner of presenting our cause to her hearers in a voice like Miss Willard's in its conversational, persuasive tone, which, once heard, was never forgotten, made us all feel that here was the woman whom God had chosen for our leader, and our prayers went up to Him for help and guidance for her and her co-workers during the days and nights of the coming year's duties and responsibilities.

Other visitors, of whom the conference was proud, favored us with helpful thoughts. Miss Marie C. Brehm, National Superintendent of Franchise, Mrs. Laura Thompson, of Greensburg, Mrs. McCain, of Sheridan, formerly of our city, and still claimed by us, a sister whose name we cannot recall, from Keystone, Mrs. Balch, our referee on all disputed points, and Mrs. McWhirter, editor of the MESSAGE, whom Marion County claims a little nearer and dearer since the State has had to relinquish its hold upon her as State President.

Spaces for advertisements upon our conference program were sold to the amount of twenty-five dollars; this sum was turned over to the county treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie C. Hann, for it will be observed our Board of Superintendents has no treasurer. We wish none, for there can be no fair distribution of funds between department and other work of the county which does not involve a division of county dues and this is impracticable. The money held by our County Treasurer is for all county workers alike, as their needs demand. In addition to furnishing each County Superintendent with the State Minutes, as ordered by the State Convention, each of our County Superintendents will be furnished with the National Minutes.

Grant County sends the model report this quarter. It is neat and complete.

One lady writes: "There were but four of us and we could not keep up the Union." Christ says: "If two or three are gathered together in my name, there will I be in the midst."

The list of names and the money for the MESSAGE should not be sent to the County or State Treasurer. Send direct to the Business Manager of the MESSAGE, Mrs. Clara E. Balch, 711 East 11th St., Indianapolis.

## IN MEMORIAM.

The Francesville L. T. L. was called on to give up one of its acceptable members in the death of Goldie May Wilcox, who died December 18, 1900, at the age of 12 years. She was ever willing to do all that she was asked to do.

## FROM LABOR TO REWARD.

The Francesville Y has been called upon to mourn the loss of two of its members. Florence B. Shallenberger was our first President and served us as such until she resigned on account of her parents moving to Cayuga, Ind., where she died December 3, 1900, at the age of 20 years, 3 months and 20 days. She was a member of the M. E. Church, in which she was an active worker, also in Epworth League; was an officer in I. O. G. T., and a member of the Rathbone Sisters, and when taken sick was trying to organize a W. C. T. U. in Cayuga. Of her it may be truly said, "She hath done what she could."

Della O. Critten departed this life December 12, 1900, at the age of 20 years, 4 months and 7 days. She was always ready to do her part in Y work. She was a member of the Christian Church and a worker in Christian Endeavor.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Hannah Whiting Clark, founder of Clark Homeopathic Hospital, of this city, died December 10 from the infirmities of age. Her demise had been expected for several days. Mrs. Clark was born in New Boston, N. H., in 1817 and with her husband came to Elkhart fifty-five years ago. She had two daughters, both dying very young. In December, 1863, Mr. Clark passed on to the higher life, thus leaving the widow and mother to tread the wine press alone. She planned to lift humanity to a higher condition. Many were her good deeds. Late in life she gave \$5,000 to an orphan's home and sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. She gave largely to the Old Ladies' Home at LaPorte, Ind., and at one time sent a check for \$800 to the Hadley Industrial School. Last March she sent her check to Mrs. McWhirter for \$500 more for Hadley Home. She has given many minor sums that the public knows not of, her last being to the Humane Society of this city.



# THE MESSAGE.

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## A UNITED PRAYER FOR AN ORGANIZATION FUND.

I have been asked, since our National Convention, "What could Indiana do to gain two thousand new members to our State W. T. C. U.?"

I answer, if we could have the one hundred honorary members within a month, for which Mary E. Balch is praying, and an additional one dollar from each of our three hundred or more members who could give that amount and not miss it at the end of the week, I am very sure it could be done. I am not asking Unions, either weak or strong, to donate.

Our new plan of placing our State paper in the hands of each of our members I believe to be a good one, although it will take money we have heretofore had for other work.

Therefore, I am anxiously considering plans by which we may keep our organizers in the field, and I believe this one was suggested to me by the Holy Spirit. I am asking in His name, and praying He may prompt you to give in His name. Yours for victory in 1901.

EUNICE P. WILSON,  
State President.

The greatest need to-day in the Indiana W. C. T. U. is a fund for organization. The State has decided that life membership shall be used for organization. Twenty-five dollars makes one a life member of the State Union, and five dollars an honorary member of the State Union.

As chairman of organization, I pray for one hundred honorary members to the State Union within a month. We have excellent organizers idle; we have over seven hundred towns that should be organized; think of it. A Union of ten members in each of these towns would give us seven thousand new members. What a moral force! How it would build public sentiment and make ballots—give an added circulation to our papers—there is no end to the good that might be done had we this fund to work with. May God impress one hundred people to become honorary members.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Chairman of Organization.

## THE \$1.00 ROLL.

Mrs. Eunice Wilson, Fairmount.  
Mr. Robert Wilson, Fairmount.  
Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

## Y W. C. T. U.

Dear Indiana Y's, never was the need for social purity and temperance work so great. Sin in its most vile form is sapping the very life out of our young people.

The venomous liquor traffic is bringing down to the very brink our beloved ones. Souls are in the balance! Is your brother, your sister, are you in peril? Let us as Y's be of good courage and behave ourselves valiantly for our people, fighting with renewed zeal this battle for God and humanity, wearing constantly the little white ribbon and armed with the sword of the spirit.

Indiana Y's must awake and win the fight for Jesus' sake.

Dear young people, outside the Y ranks, come over and help us.

AN EARNEST Y.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, one of our State Organizers, secured twelve young ladies for a Y Branch, at Cayuga, Vermillion County, and reported it immediately to the State Y Secretary. If each one who secures a new Y will report like Mrs. Brand does, then literature can be sent and the Secretary comes in touch with them.

The Union Temperance Sunday school was quite a success, over \$5.00 collection, so the President of the Bedford Y writes. Two of the Y members, Maude Holcomb and Charles Lockwood, were married recently and the Y's presented them with a dozen solid silver spoons. Miss Knox adds, we are trying to make our Union stronger.

The first Y. W. C. T. U. conference this year will be held at Goshen, Elkhart County, February 23. The program is almost complete. God bless the noble W. C. T. U. women in that city for making it possible for the Y Branch to unite and hold the conference there. Pray that it may be a power for good among the young people there.

Anderson Y. W. C. T. U., will have a permanent meeting place now in the beautiful new M. E. church, the official board having granted the permission, also the L. T. L. and the W. C. T. U. will meet there regularly.

Thirty copies of the Year Book, from Miss Parish, were mailed to the Y Unions this month, and following the World's Report from Mrs. Barnes. Study them girls, they are helpful in our work.

The second Y conference will be held at Bedford, where our State banner for Y work is now held. In April it goes to Monrovia Y Union. Who will get it next year? Are you trying for it? Collect dues for every name on your roll call, and then each one se-

cure a new member. Girls, prepare yourselves this month, deny yourselves something and save your dues; they must be in the Treasurer's hands by March 15, 1901.

Look after the sick and shut-ins. Do all you can in the Flower Mission Department, so our State Superintendent, Miss Ethel McWhirter, may be proud of the Indiana Y reports in September.

County Presidents, are you trying to organize a Y, and help our young women to become acquainted with W. C. T. U. methods, so they can take your place?

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## OFFICIAL CALL.

FAIRMOUNT, Feb. 2, 1901.

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union is hereby notified to be present at the mid-year meeting, to be held in the Friends' Church, Fairmount, April 9 and 10. The local Union will provide free entertainment for all members of the committee.

EUNICE P. WILSON,  
President.

## THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

Special attention for 1901 will be given to work in Oklahoma, Arizona and Indian Territory by the National and large appropriations will be made for the work in this section of the country. Work among the Scandinavian women in North Dakota and among the colored people of the South will also be made prominent along organizing lines.

On January 3, the birthday of Madame Willard, the general officers of the National W. C. T. U. held a conference of unusual interest at Rest Cottage. The Frances E. Willard Memorial organization fund, established at the St. Paul convention for the perpetuation and extension of the work, to which Miss Willard gave her life, was the subject of special consideration. This memorial fund has, during the past two years, been maintained largely by our local Unions, the plan calling for \$2 from each local Union on or near February 17, the date of Miss Willard's home-going. The officers decided to broaden this plan and to appeal not only to their W. C. T. U. constituency, but to the friends of Miss Willard everywhere, to churches interested in the advancement of the principles she advocated and to the general public, and those who are making bequests will be reminded that they can do no better than to remember the great work for humanity which our organization is doing. Contributions for this fund should be addressed to Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Treasurer N. W. C. T. U., Evanston, Ill. By means of this fund the National will be able to fulfill the sacred wish expressed by Madame Willard in almost her last words when she said "I should like to pronounce a benediction upon the whole world."

Mrs. J. K. Barney, of Providence, R. I., one of the Round the World Missionaries, has been appointed by the officers to take charge of the organizing work in Cuba. Havana will be the first point visited and work will be begun at once.

W. T. C. U. work in the Philippines has been entrusted to the care of Mrs. Cornelia C. Moots and Unions there are already organized and doing good work.

Mrs. Rose Pearce writes: "I am glad to tell you that the work is moving on in Terre Haute. Mrs. Joice, our County President, is a real consecrated Christian and an enthusiastic worker. She holds a service at the jail every Sunday morning and her work has been much blessed of late. The Mothers' Meetings held in connection with the different local Unions are, to my mind, ideal meetings. They are well attended, both by members and visitors, and the interest is so marked that the discussions are taken part in by nearly all present."

## PROGRAM FEBRUARY Y MEETINGS.

Social. The Due Tea.  
Debate. Resolved, "The Liquor Organization of To-Day is the Ruling Power."  
Treasurer's Delight. Receives the dues.  
Evangelistic Department. The Church and Temperance.

## TREASURER'S NOTES.

Howard County was the first to send an order for Minutes for all its officers and Superintendents. We hope to hear from many other counties and Unions in the next two or three weeks. As the number of Minutes taken by a Union will be placed opposite the name of the Union in the next State Minutes, I am sure every Union will want as large a number as possible opposite their union. The sale of Minutes has already exceeded that of last year. With a little effort on your part I believe we can double it. The printer is waiting patiently for his money and every member needs the report.

The following counties have placed the State Minutes in the hands of all of the local Presidents and County Superintendents: Blackford, Shelby, Benton, Wells, Tippecanoe, Parke, Marion, Wabash, Boone, Clinton, Morgan, Howard, Wayne.

The Unions that have placed the Minutes in the hands of all officers and Superintendents are Hartford City, Winterrowd, Shelbyville, Deer Creek, Burlington, Loogootee, Otterbein, Bloomington, Newcastle, Frankfort, Wabash, Wabash colored, N. Manchester, S. Wabash, Laketon and Mapleton. No doubt there are others, but as it was so stated the names cannot be given.

The County of Wabash and every Union in the County has furnished its officers and Superintendents with a free copy. How many others will do the same?

The editor of the *Union Signal* has kindly consented to extend the time for securing trial subscriptions to that paper until February 28. Price, three months for 15 cents. Dear Sisters, if those appointed to canvass for the paper have found it impossible to do the work, please appoint others to assist them to make a thorough canvass of all your members and friends. No one can read the *Signal* three months and not become interested in the temperance work. Send it to your friends. Can you think of any other place where the very best of literature can be had for so little money? Our *Signal* subscription increased last year. May we not double that number this year?

Mrs. Ora Winslow, of Fairmount, sends a club of fifty for the trial copy of the *Union Signal*. Grant County has sent more subscriptions than any other county.

## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

RECEIPTS.	
To balance from last year and endowment fund.....	\$792 63
Convention fund for local committee.....	81 25
National organization fund.....	2 00
State organization fund.....	2 00
Return check by State Superintendent Narcotics.....	10 71
Sale of Tobacco and Anti-Cigarette cards.....	1 95
Sale of scarf pins.....	6 40
Sale of record books.....	2 00
Sale of pledge cards.....	50
Sale of sheet music.....	3 90
Sale of Convention badges.....	18 00
Sale of pictures (Seattle trip).....	1 25
Collections at State Contest.....	45 60
Other collections.....	42 25
L. T. L. dues.....	19 64
County dues.....	75
State dues.....	342 70
Total.....	\$873 53

DISBURSEMENTS.	
By literature.....	\$3 60
Railroad agent to State Convention.....	11 00
Scarf pins.....	4 50
Diamond medal for State contest.....	25 60
Convention fund to local committee.....	81 25
Telephone and telegrams.....	6 88
Postage, L. F. McWhirter.....	3 00
Convention expenses.....	13 69
Central Committee expenses.....	16 35
Frames for life membership certificates.....	70
Copy of record.....	1 50
National organization fund, Wolcott Union.....	2 00
Postal cards and printing same, for State officers.....	20 40
Journal and record books.....	2 20
Balance on Convention badges.....	2 00
Printing circular letter and cards.....	2 00
Stationery and printing same, for State officers.....	20 78
Expressage.....	4 41
Hadley School Treasurer, for Solicitor.....	25 00
Mrs. F. Beauchamp, services at State Convention.....	35 00
Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, services at State Convention.....	35 00
Expenses State President to National Convention.....	35 00
Ingalls, for Flower Girl at National Convention.....	2 00
Appropriation State Recording Secretary.....	10 00
Appropriation State Corresponding Secretary.....	10 00
Appropriation State Superintendent.....	228 00
Appropriation State Y Secretary.....	20 00
Appropriation State L. T. L. Secretary.....	20 00
State Vice-President, postage.....	3 40
State Vice-President, car fare.....	45
State Corresponding Secretary, postage.....	18 42
State Corresponding Secretary, supplies.....	1 84
State Corresponding Secretary, car fare.....	2 50
State Recording Secretary, postage.....	2 40
State Recording Secretary, supplies.....	1 55
State Treasurer, postage.....	29 98
State Treasurer, car fare.....	70
State L. T. L. dues to L. T. L. Secretary.....	8 92
State L. T. L. graduate dues to L. T. L. Secretary.....	90
National L. T. L. dues to National Treasurer.....	8 92
National L. T. L. graduate dues to National Treasurer.....	90
State Y dues to Y Secretary.....	9 75
State dues to National Treasurer.....	85 60
Balance on hand—	
Endowment fund.....	500 00
Cash.....	56 04
Total.....	\$1,373 53

Respectfully submitted,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

The State Central Committee found it necessary to plan so that the **MESSAGE** could serve all the interests of the State, therefore, certain limitations were made. These were published in the December issue and repeated in the January issue. Much as the Editor regrets to do so she will endeavor to conform to these limitations. Communications from counties limited to three hundred words. Communications from Unions one hundred words.



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2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

All communications intended for the MESSAGE should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

FEBRUARY, 1901.

The following petition form is for use of all who desire to copy and use it. Remember that exactly the same petition with each of the headings, one for the House of Representatives and one for the Senate, must both be used by every person soliciting signatures. Have the same person sign each petition. Those addressed to the House will never be seen by the members of the Senate. As it requires the same action of both Houses to carry a measure they are of equal importance:

**To the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Indiana:**

We, the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ county, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass a law prohibiting the sale or giving away of cigarettes, cigarette papers or any substitute therefor, with a penalty for the first and each subsequent offense of imprisonment of not less than thirty days nor more than six months, and with a fine of one hundred dollars.

**To the Senate of the General Assembly of Indiana:**

We, the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ county, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass a law prohibiting the sale or giving away of cigarettes, cigarette papers or any substitute therefor, with a penalty for the first and each subsequent offense of imprisonment of not less than thirty days nor more than six months, and with a fine of one hundred dollars.

Thanks to the sisters who sent condensed items of news for the MESSAGE, written on postals without unnecessary words and exactly in condition for the printer.

About 3,000 of the Indiana White Ribboners are reading this issue of the MESSAGE.

Let us have a long list of ministers' names on our subscription list; yes, and teachers too.

The kindness of the editors of county papers in exchanging with the MESSAGE is appreciated. Does your editor desire to exchange with us?

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Perhaps at no time since the Hadley School opened has the outlook been so promising as now. The number of girls in it is now thirty-five. They live in harmony and generally yield ready obedience to those in charge. I would not like you to think this state of things comes spontaneously by mere association. Not by any means! It comes by introducing system into all departments of work, and holding a steady, firm hand of control over all. There are no pets and no outcasts. They are encouraged to strive for excellence in their departments of domestic work, as well as in the school room. Applications for admission of other girls are constantly coming in. A noble young man recently visited the home and looked into its needs. Before going away he thought the most needed thing was more room and said that at his own expense he would finish the upper dormitory. The floor is now being laid, and in spring time, the partitions, plastering, painting, etc., will be pushed forward, ready for furnishings, and then more needy girls may find a home.

I feel that now is the time for all the friends of this school to rally to its support. Within the next ten years this institution should have a large endowment fund and be placed securely on a financial basis. It is unlike any other school in the United States.

It is owned and managed by the most powerful organization of women in the State, who have high ideals as to the training of girls for useful lives. Let me urge you all to begin at once the work of raising an endowment fund. There are some excellent persons who would perhaps like to know of this institution, so as to place their means where it will continue to benefit those most needing help. I cannot tell you how to begin this work; but if you are determined, you will find a way or make one. LUCRETIA HOBART.

HADLEY, IND., February 3, 1901.

DEAR READERS OF THE MESSAGE—I suppose all who are interested in our Hadley Home will be interested in this short sketch in regard to the Dairy Department. Rosa Manifold, Belle Griffin and myself are the Dairy girls this month; we milk eight cows now, but do not get a very large quantity of milk. Each girl has her own cows to milk. As a general thing our cows are very well behaved, but sometimes they give us a great deal of trouble by trying to crowd us out of the stalls. We keep the milk in the cellar, under the new cottage, which we find very convenient in the winter as well as summer. One week in the month one of we dairy girls take charge of the straining of the milk and washing of the pails, and another sees after the churning, which comes about three times a week, while the third one takes the lamps in charge, as there is nothing for her to do about the dairy. Then we all change about again the next week, and so on throughout the month, so we can all have practice in one department in one month. We have to be very neat about our work, for Miss Coolman, who over-sees the Dairy Department, grades us on the way in which we do it, and we are all anxious to make good grades. I think all the girls will say with me that the Home is steadily improving. We have more system about things now as never before, and we like it so much better.

OPAL DILLON.

HADLEY, IND., February 3, 1901.

DEAR READERS OF THE MESSAGE—I suppose you would like to hear something of the manner in which we do our work here, so I am going to tell you of one very important department, it is the kitchen and dining room. Each month our Superintendent, Mrs. Steele, changes the work of each girl, assigning three as cook girls, three as dining-room girls and four as dish-washers. In the cooking department one girl has bread-making, one the washing of the cooking vessels and one prepares the vegetables for cooking. We prepare our things for dinner as soon as we come down from our morning devotions, which we have just after breakfast. While we do that the dining-room girls and dish-washers do their work, and at 8:30 o'clock we all go into the school room. At 11:45 the cook-girls are dismissed to help put the food on the tables, which our matron, Mrs. Coolman, prepares while we are in school. After dinner is over we all do our work, and at 1:30 o'clock we are in school again. We are dismissed at four o'clock and at five o'clock we have our supper, and at seven o'clock we are in the school-room again to study a while before going to bed. We older girls now realize what a beautiful home we have and what great advantages we have that others do not, and we know that it is our dear Heavenly Father who is working through the dear women all over our State for our good. O! that every girl in the world could have such grand opportunities as we have here at the Hadley Home. I am very sure if they could that there would be a great deal of good done in this world. Hoping that you, dear readers, have an idea of how we carry on our work, I remain

Your friend,  
EDITH EATON.

## RECEIPTS FOR HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Marion County Horticultural Society.....	\$3 35
Pictures of the girls.....	2 65
Lapel.....	3 00
Columbus.....	3 00
Bridgeport on last year's apportionment.....	4 68
Hebron.....	2 50
Bath contest.....	8 65
South Marion contest.....	3 00
Emma Joyce contest.....	3 00
Payment on West Indianapolis property.....	100 00
Kate Lee, solicitor.....	15 00
Otterbein on apportionment.....	6 00
Otterbein on contest.....	5 00
Martha Mitchel century pledge.....	4 00
Martha Mitchel donation.....	1 00
James Spray century pledge.....	1 00
Marshall contest.....	4 00
Peru.....	5 00
Hoagland on apportionment.....	1 30
Northeast Indianapolis contest.....	3 85
Quilts.....	7 50
Ashley.....	16 50
Peru Y.....	1 00
Boston.....	1 36
Hogs for farm.....	40 25

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR JANUARY.

Groceries.....	\$45 00
Mr. Steele, farmer.....	20 00
Dewruse, photographer.....	19 00
Stationery.....	13 00
May Pierson, teacher.....	15 00
Old hardware bill paid in full.....	18 27
Printing.....	11 00
Coal.....	25 00
Mrs. Coolman, matron.....	12 00
Crackers.....	2 35
Thrashing oats.....	16 85
Mrs. Steele, emergency fund.....	32 00
Kate Lee, salary.....	4 50

REBECCA HESSONG, Treasurer.

## LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT.

We now have thirty-five healthy and happy girls, and have a good day school. Miss Mary Pearson is an excellent teacher, and quite helpful in training the girls outside of school. All of the girls are in school. Friday afternoon we have sewing school, and all are taught to mend; even our little ones six years old work button holes and sew on buttons.

We had a very pleasant time Christmas. Got up as usual Christmas morning. After the morning work was done we called all to the sitting room, when lo! while they slept a large cedar tree, high as the ceiling, loaded with beautiful and useful presents, had found its way there. They were delighted. Each girl was well served with handkerchiefs, hair ribbons, pencils, tablets, pictures, etc. All had apples, oranges and candy in abundance, and the dolls looked out among the limbs of cedar most as happy looking as the children themselves. Then there were books for all that were not put on the tree.

And I want to thank the good people of the W. C. T. U. and others over the State, who made this grand treat for our children possible.

We received boxes from following Unions: Indianapolis, Meridian; Indianapolis, Central; Indianapolis, Tarlton; Broad Ripple, Richmond, North Manchester, LaOtto, Columbus, Fairmount, Richmond, LaPorte and Pendleton. Also a box from Mr. Lester, of Bloomfield; Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Upland; Miss Martin, of Marion. Two boxes were not marked. Now, sisters, I would not have you understand all these were Christmas toys and candies. For there were blankets, sheets, towels, books, cakes, turkey, hose, handkerchiefs, thread, buttons, tablets, pins, needles and many things much needed in a home like this, and I will take this means of thanking you for your kindness.

I will also mention that the W. C. T. U. of Hadley dressed the dolls for us, and also spent an afternoon before holidays in mending for us, which was

quite a help. Mrs. Christie, of Hadley, donated two bushels of apples. Mr. Christie, Amo Milling Company, 50 pounds flour. Mr. Jesse Hardwick, quantity of candy. SARAH E. STEELE.

## ANTI-CIGARETTE.

An anti-cigarette bill has been introduced in the Indiana House of Representatives by Dr. Milton McCarty, of Burlington, Carroll County. This bill is in the hands of the Rights and Privileges Committee, of which Representative Miller, of Sydney, Kosciusko County, is Chairman. The other members are Edward H. Matthews, Anderson, Madison County; Edward Maxam, Evansville, Vanderburg County; Robt. Short, Union Mills, LaPorte County; Jas. F. Stutsman representing Grant, Howard, Huntington, Miami and Wabash Counties. Chas. W. Cruson, Scottsburg, Scott and Jennings Counties; Jas. A. Colner, Logansport, Fulton and Cass Counties; Dr. Henry V. Passage, Peru, Miami County; Joseph L. Reeves, Edwardsport, Knox County. Some of the members are openly opposed to the bill.

The members of this committee need to be urged to report the bill to the House, with an enforcing clause and penalty mentioned below. We have a cigarette law prohibiting sale to minors, but no penalty, and enforcement is left to prosecuting attorney, so in most places it is practically dead. Now what we want is an entirely prohibitory law, with a penalty of such dimensions that a dealer will go behind the bars if he sells and a smoker will pay a heavy fine. This can be secured in Indiana if YOU do all you can.

The great tobacco trust succeeds in manipulating many men and many measures. Expense is not an item. Legal ability is heavily paid for in order that all effective legislation may be prevented. Notwithstanding all this power, the editor of the MESSAGE believes that if thousands of letters were sent to members of the General Assembly requesting a definite action in deference to the will of the voters, that action would be taken. The mothers and fathers must ask for what they want.

What we need this very day is. 1. That every man and every woman who desires that cigarettes and all substitutes thereof shall be abolished in Indiana, should each write a letter or send a telegram to a member of the House and Senate urging that a law prohibiting the sale or giving away of cigarettes, cigarette paper or any substitute therefor in the State of Indiana, be passed with a penalty for each violation to be imprisonment of not less than thirty days or more than six months, and a fine of not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00.

2. That a clear statement of the conditions and petitions should be presented within the next ten days to every church congregation, ever Sunday school, every missionary society, every lodge meeting, every woman's club, in all the higher schools and collages in all Indiana. Every voter's letter or telegram to members of the Legislature will have immense weight, as will their letters.

3. That every man who can afford to spend the money send a telegram to his Representative and Senator, urging them to use their influence for a law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes, that can be enforced and not left at the mercy of any man, but a law that will carry with it sufficient penalty and enforcing ability to make it effective against the selling and using.

**Wabash W's**—Are to have a Rummage sale one week in February. Will have evening entertainments during the week. Miss Sears will lecture one night, a musical one night and probably a contest one night.

We have a club studying Parliamentary law. We held a Republican and a Democratic State Convention and a Prohibition National Convention. We made a big success of the latter, giving as far as time would permit, the exact work and speeches of the convention. A number of our W. C. T. U. women belong to this club. Dickey was personated by a Democrat. The platform was read by a Republican. Woolley was nominated by another. The Secretary was a Democrat. All took their parts well. As Woolley, I accepted the nomination, my speech being his letter of acceptance which, of course, I had committed. We may repeat it at the rummage sale.

Otterbein Union held a Medal Contest and sent \$11 00 to the Hadley School. The Y girls had an entertainment to replenish their treasury and Y and W's gave their annual New Year's entertainment. Some generous ladies gave us quite a neat little sum of money to use for the advancement of the cause. Miss Baker, our County and Local President, has been elected Superintendent of the United Brethren Sabbath school, something never done before in Otterbein. No woman here ever was an officer in the church official board or was ever a Sunday School Superintendent.

**Miami County** officers: President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lulu Duckwall; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Outland, Amboy; Treasurer, Miss Carrie Puterbaugh, Peru.

Will the lady who wishes Chinese literature please write me at once? I have mislaid the address and name. And if others wish any foreign literature, write me and I will try and help you. And will the County President please send me name and address of their Superintendent of Foreign work, as I wish to send them literature?

ANNA KILMER,  
Peru, Ind. State Superintendent.



# The Message—Supplement.



MISS MARY HADLEY,  
State and National Superintendent of W. C. T. U. Institutes.

## PROGRAM OF INSTITUTES.

Conference of members with Institute Leader, at a central residence or church parlor.

- 10:00. Music. Organization of Institute. Announcement of Secretaries, Reporters, Committees on Membership, Periodicals, Courtesies, etc.
- 10:20. Devotional Services, led by the local President.
- 10:40. The Outlook Greeting, by the Leader.
- 11:00. General Conference Topic—What Results may we expect from this Session of the Institute?
- In Accessions to Membership, by the County President. Discussion and plans by the Leader and others.
  - In Subscriptions to the *Union Signal*, State Paper and other Periodicals, etc., by the Superintendent of Literature. Discussion.
  - In the attendance of the county membership and others. Discussion by membership, led by the Corresponding Secretary.
  - Methods, Work, State Plans, etc. General Discussion. Noontide Prayer.
- 12:00. Adjournment for lunch.

## AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Music. Invocation. Announcements. Co-Operative Bible Reading and Consecration Service, conducted by the Evangelistic Superintendent, assisted by the members.
- Topic: God's Plan of Dealing with Evil, to be illustrated by pointed texts with brief comments. Prayer. Music.
- 2:30. Duty of the Treasurer, by a Treasurer. Discussion.
- 2:45. The Significance of our Badge. Why and When Should It be Worn? by the Leader. Discussion. Music.
- 3:10. The Attitude of Your State and National Legislators towards Measures of Prevention and Reform. Figures and Facts, etc.
- The Cigarette, by the Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics.
  - The Drink Evil, including the Army Canteen, by the Superintendent of Christian Citizenship.
  - Laws for Promoting Purity, by the Superintendent of Purity.
  - Laws for Promoting Equality in Citizenship, by the Superintendent of Franchise.
- Ten minutes each to be used by Superintendents and twenty minutes in general discussion.
- 4:15. Music. Announcements. Roll Call. Adjournment.

## CONTEST EVENING.

- 7:30. Music. Devotional Services, conducted by a Y.
- 7:45. Oratorical Contest, as arranged by Local and State Superintendents of the Department. Extend invitation to become members while judges prepare their report. Award Medal. Music. Announcements. Benediction.

## SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Song and Prayer Service, conducted by a Corresponding or a Recording Secretary.
- 9:10. Lesson from L. T. L. Manual or Review of Seal Course, County Superintendent of L. T. L. work. Discussion.
- 9:40. What Should the County W. C. T. U. Roster Contain? County President to answer, using her Roster to illustrate.
- 10:00. Drill in Methods of Promoting Department Work, State and National Plans, Willard Memorial Fund and W. C. T. U. Principles. Institute Leader. Questions and Discussion. Music.
- 10:30. Have You a Y. W. C. T. U.? If not, why not? By the Local President or Y Superintendent. Discussion.
- 11:00. Law and Statistics, by the Superintendent of the Department, or Civil Government and Enforcement of Law, by the Leader.
- 11:30. Enrollment of the names of those who desire to form a Union, or of other additions to the membership.
- 11:40. Drill on State Course of Study or Plan of Work, by Local or County President. Music. Roll Call. Announcements.
- 12:00. Adjournment for lunch.

## SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

- 2:00. Semi-Annual County Convention as arranged by the County Executive, or, if preferred, an Open Parliament, in which the following or other subjects may be discussed:
- 2:15. What is Temperance and How Can it Best be Promoted? By Superintendent Public Schools.
- 2:30. A Parliamentary Drill, Institute Leader.
- 3:00. When does Expediency Become Compromise? by a Minister. Discussion.
- 3:20. The Advancement of Woman from the Servitude of Savage Life to Political and Christian Equality.
- Woman in the Past Century, by an Editor.
  - The Present Status of Woman, by a Teacher.
  - Woman in the New Century, by a Suffragist. Discussion by the Leader and others.
- 4:00. Music. Announcements. Invocation. Adjournment.
- PLATFORM EVENING.
- 7:30. Music. Devotion, conducted by the County President.
- 7:45. An Address by the Institute Leader, or a Platform Meeting by leading local speakers, conducted by the Leader, as follows:
- 7:45. Imperialism of the Rum Power. By Hon. — or Rev. —.
- 8:05. The Supremacy of the Church. What Will It do With the Saloon? By Rev. —.
- 8:25. Discussion by the Leader and others.
- 8:45. Invitation for Membership. Announcements. Music. Invocation.

## THIRD DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00. Organization of a Union, a W, a Y or an L. T. L. (if so arranged at previous meetings.) Instruction in Departmental Work, Recommendation of Helps in Literature and where to obtain them, etc. By the Leader, or a Reception for the New Members with other Invited Guests, or Calls by the Leader and Local President in the interest of the work, or whatever may be deemed most necessary in confirming work of the Institute session.

## SUBJECTS FOR THE EVENING MEETING.

- The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed.
- A Voice from the Church.
- Five Boys in Knee Pants.
- The World's Work and Workers.

MARY HADLEY,

Superintendent National and Indiana Institutes,  
Bloomington, Indiana.

Bring a pencil, a tablet, a Bible and a White Ribbon Hymnal.

"We are members, one of another."—Eph. 4, 25.  
"Alone we can do little. Separated we are the units of weakness, but aggregated we become batteries of power."—FRANCES E. WILLARD.

And this brainy, far-seeing, keenly intuitive and wholly consecrated woman worked out the plans of the majority, recognized them as law, until such time as they were changed by the legislation of the annual convention.

Any white ribbon sister who will not respect the plans of her Union, but prefers her own way, is a source of weakness in the Union. Any Union in a county which sets aside the action of the Executive Committee of the County is not a help but a hindrance to the county, and what is true of a Union in a county is true of a county in the State, and anything outside of perfect union in the State plans and methods in the end works a detriment to the organization and a loss to the cause.—*Mary E. Balch.*

## INSTITUTE SCHEDULE

of dates and places up to the time of the Mid-year Executive Committee meeting, April 9 and 10, at Fairmount, Grant County. The further dates of Institutes will be given in the March MESSAGE, which will give over a month for advertising and preparation. It is the best I can do, as all the material for further scheduling is not in my hands and the MESSAGE can not wait.

## SECTION ONE.

Porter County—March 21, 22, 23, at Hebron; La Porte County—March 25, 26, 27, at LaPorte; Starke County—March 28, 29, 30, at North Judson; Fulton County—April 1, 2, 3, at Kewanna; Miami County—April 4, 5, 6, at Amboy. Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington, Leader.

## SECTION TWO.

Cass County—March 21, 22, 23, at Logansport; Wabash County—March 25, 26, 27, at South Wabash; Huntington County—March 28, 29, 30, at Warren; Wells County—April 1, 2, 3, at Bluffton; Blackford County—April 4, 5, 6, at Hartford City. Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro, Leader.

## SECTION THREE.

Marion County—March 21, 22, 23, at Palmer Union, West Indianapolis; Rush County—March 25, 26, 27, at Milroy; Henry County—March 28, 29, 30, at Mooreland; Randolph County—April 1, 2, 3, at Winchester; Jay County—April 4, 5, 6, at Bryant. Mrs. Hattie Brand, Indianapolis, Leader.

W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES.

While the earth is bound in fetters of snow and

ice, plans are being made throughout the State for the spring Institutes, so that when these fetters are broken in the last days of March or early in April, and our grand old world swings out again free from its winter manacles, our dear white ribboners will be ready to enter upon a consummation of well made plans in Institute work.

Let no one be discouraged by the length, or seeming length of the program, as given in this month's issue of the MESSAGE, but glean from it whatever may be deemed the most necessary and helpful.

Consider using new local talent together with those who have been so efficient from year to year.

Avoid using the Leader constantly throughout any meeting, as this becomes monotonous to the hearers and tiresome to the speaker. Allow every one whom you ask to present a subject to know how much time you wish them to use and thus keep your program on time. Ministers do not desire to be made an exception to this rule.

Be on time in arranging for the contest. It is thought by the members of the Central Committee and the Superintendent of Franchise that a suffrage contest would be most appropriate.

If not already provided with books and tickets, send to State Superintendent of Contests, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh Street, Indianapolis, Ind. Send also to Mrs. Balch for the medal. State plainly the kind of medal wanted. Send the money with all orders. If you do not have the price list of medal supplies, you can request one of Mrs. Balch by card and you will be promptly favored with a reply.

County officers and Superintendents are named as Institute assistants, according to the Institute plan as found in the Plan of Work for this year. See pages 44 and 140 in 1901 Annual Report, and be ready to announce committees accordingly.

## WHILE THE PLAN

contemplates a rest day so that the Leader may be available for the Sabbath service, the departure of trains and the two and one-half days' session favor the worker taking the rest in half days on Wednesday and Saturday.

If the organization of a new Union is not in demand and reception for the new members is, this reception can be given in the afternoon or evening of the third day of the Institute, instead of in the forenoon as listed on the program, provided there is an early morning train which will allow the Leader to be in time for the opening of the following Institute. The preparations for the reception for new members should not be made elaborate or in a way to interfere with the other meetings of the Institute.

Our members generally have learned the art of arranging a simple and agreeable noon lunch, and white ribboners can be trusted to arrange for a satisfactory reception, at which light refreshments may or may not be served, according to circumstances.

If found desirable to use the Institute Leader in the Sabbath service, this should be definitely arranged for in harmony with the Institute plan, the local workers using their best judgment as to announcements, meeting the financial obligations, etc.

Ministers who really desire to have their pulpits occupied by our workers will personally encourage a good collection and generally get it, especially at the morning service.

From experience and observation, we believe it possible in many places to so arrange for this Sabbath service that many people may be reached and the local and Institute finances increased and our cause greatly advanced.

Indiana has been favored with an unsurpassed short term subscription price to our excellent National and World's organ, the *Union Signal*. We are expecting good terms for an annual subscription to this paper at the Institutes and trust that many will come prepared to avail themselves of these special rates, which the W. C. T. U. will announce later. The premium for the best County Roster will be a choice between a copy of Miss Willard's invaluable book, "Do Everything," and one of her best large size portraits. Mrs. Balch, Mrs. Whitson and Miss Brand will act as judges.

The Rosters must be placed in the hands of Institute Leaders on the opening of the session.

The subjects for the evening meetings will be discussed by the Institute Leaders as follows: "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed," by Rev. Mattie Cammack-Gibson and Mary Hadley. "The World's Work and Workers," by Hattie Brand. "A Voice from the Church," by Mary Hadley. "Five Boys in Knee Pants," by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson. "Who Pays," by Rose Pierce.

The first or conference meeting of the members is a most important one and will have much to do with the success of the session. Let every member be present.

Never before has Indiana had the opportunity of contesting for a beautiful National Institute Banner, to be given for the best all 'round Institute work. Kansas, Michigan, Oregon and some other states by their excellent reports last year and timely beginning this year, warn Indiana to look well to her laurels, and Indiana expects every member to do her duty.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.







## DEPARTMENT OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

A loving, cordial greeting to all White Ribboners in our State. We come to you in behalf of our department, with an earnest, important appeal in the name of soldiers and sailors of our country.

Our organization has many spheres of labor, and all are of great importance, and we do not desire to minimize any in order to exalt our own; but we do believe that at the present time, while we possess a standing army numbering one hundred thousand, while three hundred thousand men are sailing upon our seas, it is imperative that our great society of motherhood take a vital interest in this large class of individuals, who are far away from the sweet, helpful influence of home life.

In this line of work, there is an open door and our duty is commensurate with our opportunity. It is the moral as well as the physical need of this large class of individuals, to which we desire to call the thoughtful attention of every White Ribboner in the State. We plead for the noble boy away from a mother's heart of love! We plead for the husband who, for the lack of sympathy and help, may be falling into habits of dissipation. We plead for the eas-



MRS. JULIA OVERMAN,  
State Superintendent Department Soldiers and Sailors.

ily influenced, who through our help may be kept from the ever open canteen. We plead for the discouraged and lonely, whose life may be heightened by a thoughtful deed. We plead for the veteran soldier who has "fought a good fight" and who now only carries here below until he is called to wear the crown of life. Yes! We plead for the boys in blue, on sea and land, at home, abroad, in youth and age! May God bless them and help us to administer to their needs.

But what can we do? First of all, see that an energetic local Superintendent is appointed in your Union, and let her put herself in communication with the State Superintendent. A few weeks ago we were highly favored by the presence of our National Superintendent, Mrs. Ella M. Thatcher, of Florence, N. J. She visited the National Home at Marion with us, and lectured to the soldiers, and we have planned to assist her in her great work by sending her Comfort Bags which will be distributed among the soldiers and sailors.

May I not request that each Union make and send to Mrs. Thatcher, prepaid, a few of these bags and notify me of the number sent? Many of our organizations can do much in this line, but every Union can and should do something. These bags should contain a symmetrical proportion of physical and moral comforts. The former will open the heart and prepare the way for the latter. The following is given as a suggestive pattern—not as a rigid rule—and may be varied according to taste and convenience both in material and contents:

## COMFORT BAGS.

Use cretonne or any strong cloth; make bag 12 by 14 inches, with drawing string (strong) in the top to open and close. Put in it buttons, needles, thread, scissors, knife, bandages, small bunch of white cotton, court plaster, comb, brush, pulse warmers, pencil, paper, envelopes, leaflets, testament, gospel hymns, pledge card, asking to return it signed; *Union Signal* and State paper; also a motherly letter telling who sent it. One boy said, "Tell your good women not to preach in their first letter, but make it homelike and interesting."

## DEPARTMENT PRIZE.

In order that the largest possible number of comfort bags may be placed in the hands of our National Superintendent, I have decided to offer a special State Department prize to the county that forwards Mrs. Thatcher the largest number of these bags prior to the 15th of September, 1901, providing that the number sent be reported to me before that date.

At Washington, the National Banner of Soldiers and Sailors was presented to Indiana for the best work in this Department. In now floats over our State, as an evidence of our superior undertakings in the past year. We prize it very much! But we must press forward to nobler endeavor or some other State

may claim it from our hands. But this need not be. We should make this first year of the new century the best in the history of our Department.

It is not an utopian dream to say that thousands of hearts may be made glad by our efforts. Let consecrated intellect, sympathetic hearts, and willing hands combine to help those who love and protect our glorious commonwealth. By so doing the horizon of our own souls will be widened, and heaven will bless us with an approving smile.

JULIA OVERMAN,  
State Superintendent.

## TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

This first year of the century promises to be a year of golden opportunity. Let us in our department be diligent and fervent in spirit inserving the Lord. Let us do our work as unto Him, and it shall not return unto us void. Herewith I offer for your help a simple outline of work, and will be glad to assist you in any further way if you will write me in regard to it.

If possible, visit each local Union in your county in the interests of Peace. If not, write to local Superintendents, urging them to action on this line. Ask each local Union in the county to hold:

1. From two to four parlor meetings during the year at which Peace shall be the principal theme.
2. From two to four public meetings during the year.
3. One oratorical contest for young people. Offer a suitable prize.
4. One essay contest, older people to take part. Offer a suitable prize.
5. Have Peace recitations and songs in L. T. L. entertainments.
6. Suggest to teachers to choose Peace themes for their pupils to write about or discuss.
7. Try to get something for Peace into your county or some secular paper; not long, but pointed, and many times a year.
8. Remember Peace Sunday—third Sunday in December—in time to prepare for it. Ask your pastor to preach in favor of Peace, or ask your friends to assist you in holding a Peace meeting on the Sabbath afternoon or evening. You need not wait till December to hold Sunday Peace meetings. Every Sabbath should be a Peace Sunday.

A little collection entitled "Voices of Peace" has just been published, which will be found very helpful in preparing for these entertainments. The price is 25 cents. Address for this and other Peace literature,

H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Superintendent.  
Richmond, Indiana.

## PRESS DAY.

March 1 is Press Day. Mrs. L. M. Stevens' birthday. Let us honor our National Press by observing this day. I desire every Union to hold a meeting on or near this day, if possible. Invite the Editors to read a paper or give a talk on the "Importance of the Press."

I give you the following outline program. Have the meeting in the evening. Let each member invite one, or have it in a public place, and have the invitation general:

## OUTLINE PROGRAM FOR A PRESS MEETING.

Paper, "How the Woman's Christian Temperance Union Utilizes the Press," by the Press Superintendent.

Address, "The People the Customer, the Press the Caterer," by the local editor.

"W. C. T. U. News" (a bulletin,) by one of the members.

"The Editor's Tribulations" (in rhyme,) by a poetic member.

Paper, "How Our Forefathers got the News," by a member.

This program can be adapted either to a parlor or a public meeting, whichever will best meet local requirements.

If it is feasible to have any decorations, let them consist of the fanciful use of the local newspapers, telegraph blanks, pencils, pens, shears, ink bottles, paste-pots, etc., all illustrating and bringing into prominence the necessary accompaniments of press work. It would be very helpful to have leaflets to distribute to the guests as they leave. The best music obtainable should be secured. By all means invite especially the newspaper people, and have one or more of the papers or addresses of the evening given by them. The greatest help will come to us through our intimate acquaintance with journalism as it is, for it is often quite contrary to our ideas and ideals concerning it.

Let a similar announcement to the one given here be printed in the newspapers the week before the meeting, or if personal invitations are sent the same form may be used:

"You are expressly invited to attend a meeting in the interest of the press department of the W. C. T. U. (date and place.) Let this date be so impressed upon your mind that pressure of business will not cause you to overlook it. The best talent will be pressed into service and there will be nothing to oppress you; on the contrary, we will try to impress you with the great scope of the press work. Our cordiality will not be repressed, as the warm press of the hand will prove to you. Accept this pressing invitation and be present."

The bulletin of "W. C. T. U. News" can be made up, giving in condensed style some of the most important work our society has done and is doing. "The Editor's Tribulations" in rhyme, if you have a poetic member, could be made very amusing, weaving in many local hits.

The topic, "How Our Forefathers Got the News," can be amplified by mentioning the quilting and apple-paring bees. The announcements from the pulpits, reading the bans, the bulletins in inns, the stage coach—compare such methods with the great dailies of to-day and the Associated Press service, whereby we read the doings of the world at our breakfast table, and the history of the day as we return from our work at evening. Send to the W. T. P. A. for press leaflets.

If refreshments are to be served, how would it do to have pressed chicken sandwiches, lemonade (pressed lemons), and newspaper cake—black and white and red (read) all over—black and white layers with red frosting?

Of course the wise Unions will utilize this meeting with its bright papers and fun, to work in as much as possible of our aims and methods, and to instruct and educate the guests, who are not committed to our policy and methods. Give time during the evening after the program to securing new members, and soliciting subscriptions to the *Union Signal* and State papers.

The National Press Superintendent will consider it a personal favor if clippings from local papers as to how this meeting "took" could be sent her. She could also see how Unions had improved on the suggestions given. Address, Minnie Barker Horning, National Press Superintendent, The Temple, Chicago.

I wish every County Press Superintendent would send me her own name, and the names of all local Superintendents in her county. MRS. MAY MOSER.

No doubt you have all heard long ere this that Indiana won the gold medal in our department at the National Convention. Since the medal became my property, I desire to thank you, one and all, for your untiring efforts and efficient work. I highly appreciate all the work performed, and the interest shown, and I fully realize that it was through your influence and ability that our State was victorious. May we continue in good work, and at the close of this year head the list in the Anti-Narcotic Department.

MISS ZELLA MILLER,  
State Superintendent 1900.



MRS. HARRIET F. KIDD,  
State Superintendent of Law.

## LAW.

There is perhaps no department of our work that is more helpful to the worker herself, and that is more satisfying to the individual, than the department of law. There is a positive pleasure in the acquisition of knowledge, and there is a woeful lack of knowledge of the laws in which reformers are most interested. This is not surprising; knowledge of law has always been regarded as an expensive luxury of which only lawyers could avail themselves. This is no longer true concerning those laws in which we as temperance workers are most interested. Your Superintendent has a booklet, entitled "Abstract of Laws," concerning the welfare of every citizen. It gives the laws of Indiana governing billiard rooms, children and minors, cigarettes, drunkenness, gambling, liquor, literature—obscene and pernicious—lotteries and gift enterprises, Nicholson bill, prize fighting, profanity, prostitution, raffling, Sunday, tobacco, vote selling.

This booklet I will gladly furnish, postage free, at two cents a copy if several copies are ordered sent to one address. We advise Unions to purchase as many copies as they have members. The Josephine R. Nichols Union, of Wabash, voted unanimously to take up the study. They will give one-half hour of each monthly business meeting to the study of this book until they are perfectly familiar with its contents. We suggest that a leader be appointed for each meeting, or better still, have the Superintendent of this department be the teacher and conduct the recitation as she would in the school room. The teacher should borrow a copy of Acts passed since 1895, and learn what changes, if any, have been made in the laws since the publication of this little book. Unions will find that this study will add to the interest of their meetings, and will probably increase the attendance. May we urge the Presidents of the Unions, both Local and County, to appoint Superintendents for this pleasant and profitable department? I should be glad to hear from all who have not already taken up the work. Let no Union fail to respond. All orders for books will be promptly filled.

It has been truly said, "Every good citizen will respect the laws bearing on public morals sufficiently to know them, to obey them, and to help enforce them."

Let me beg you to give a few minutes careful thought to this subject before you lay down this copy of the MESSAGE. Yours in great earnestness,

HARRIET F. KIDD.

## FRANCHISE.

The common objection against women in politics is conclusively answered by the universal regret and sorrow for the death of Queen Victoria. Every argument urged against letting a woman vote would apply against a Queen ruling over 400,000,000 people. Victoria's reign has been the best, the longest, the most progressive, in the true meaning of that word, of any earthly ruler in all time.

Henry Ward Beecher said long ago, "Every reason urged against a larger liberty for women is illustratively confuted by the purity, dignity, and womanly propriety with which Victoria stands before her empire and before the world."

Woman with a crown on her brow may enter Parliament and govern empires; with only her own simple, virtuous womanhood. She may not lift up her hand to cast a ballot. Now as a woman of this commonwealth of Indiana, I assert for my sisters every right and every privilege that aristocracy accords to



men. That which is noble in a Queen is noble and honorable in women in general.

Two years ago thirty thousand names were secured to petitions asking Indiana's Legislature to change her constitution so as to give women the right of franchise. The majority by their ballot and by their word favored the bill, the Senate recommending it to the General Assembly of 1901. There being then two measures before the Legislature for constitutional change, our bill could only be a recommendation. This Legislature has purposely adopted the same measure, introducing two bills for change of the constitution at the beginning of the term, thus shutting off all reform work.

It seems doubtful if legislation of any kind for equality before the law, for women, will be secured, or even a bill of that character introduced. The members of the Legislature at the present time, who personally favor such a law, do not see a possible chance for it now. However, the Legislative work is left to the efforts of the Indianapolis Equality Club of Women, who are influential, persistent, brave and winning. Some counties have sent instructions to their congressmen to vote for women when the bill appears; and there is great interest throughout the State.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent Franchise.

#### NOTICE, SUPERINTENDENTS OF MERCY—PRIZES AWARDED.

1. In order to stimulate effort and to secure the correct reports which I so earnestly desire, I will this year offer a prize of five dollars to be used for material for her work by the local Superintendent, who will report the largest increase in members of Bands of Mercy, and who gives the best general report for the year. Please note that it is the number of new members gained during the year which is desired and that the total number of Bands must also be added.

MARY F. LOVELL,  
National and World's Superintendent Mercy.

2. To the Superintendent, either local or county, who secures three hundred signers to the Bird pledge, I will give one dollar's worth of literature. Any who desires the printed pledge can have it by writing to me. I also offer to any county or local Superintendent, who is instrumental in having the greatest number of sermons preached by ministers on the subject, "Our Duty to the Animal Creation," one dollar's worth of literature.

Dear Superintendents, these offers speak for themselves; will you not try earnestly to win them? The last two are mine. May God give you success.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

#### ANTI-NARCOTICS.

There is not a city, town or burgh in our State but wherein tobacco reigns. Armed with our State laws, of which you can get them from Mrs. Harriet Kidd, of Wabash, or myself, you can defend yourself and community. If you cannot afford to send to me twelve cents for two dozen pledges and the Constitution and By-laws, do like several teachers who saw this pledge in a paper, cut it out, pasted it on paper and thus had the names of their pupils signed below. "Where there's a will there's a way." Try it and see what you can do. This is the will, with God's help, that has accomplished what has been done so far in our city, a membership of over 4,000 boys and girls, a Board of Trustees of ten members, organization of our business men, a down town office, 17 public schools and 8 parochial schools visited, 10 leagues in working order, a monthly rally first Saturday in each month, held at the city hall, and about \$20 of money, besides a great deal of time by your Superintendent spent in this work, a column in a weekly or daily paper to keep the public posted (which will bring us better support), citizens interviewed, pastors and churches secured, schools open for our work, and all we have to do now is to equip ourselves for the work and go forward, enter the land and take possession. There is not a white ribboner and honorary member who should not put their shoulder to the wheels and crowd this work to victory. It is the most urgent work of the W. C. T. U. Churches or any organizations which have the welfare of mankind at heart, not only to have the present generation from themselves, but the future, our very own.

Small Unions and small A. C. L.'s can help themselves wonderfully by organizing, having a medal contest or two, using Anti-Cigarette League Medal and have money to secure your supplies for your development. L. T. Ls. should use every means in their power to down the tobacco fiend and thus increase your ranks, and which you can not accomplish through alcohol alone.

Valparaiso has a fine A. C. L. of 548 charter members in her schools, which every city ought to copy after. Agitate this subject a little and see how quietly you can go over and take the promised land; opposition will not bitterly oppose, parents will see the folly of their example, quietly come over to your side and encourage and assist their children for the right. I have circulated over 8,000 A. C. L. pledges. Great works may have been accomplished did we only know, but let us sow the seed in all kinds of ground and water it and leave the results and increase with God.

Our Wayne township trustee who endorses our work and has it in his schools, says, "If you only save one, you do good." Our County Auditor says, "He does not see how pledge signing can or will save them, but something must be done." I told him as he has

studied his business, so we must study ours. Now this is only a starter, so just get to work and hold yourself in readiness for all the help I can give you, gleaned from all sources, and all the good things in this line. Please let me know for our Ft. Wayne paper, the *Sentinel*, the *Boy*, *MESSAGE*, *Phalanx* and other papers of our State. Organize, send names of officers and number of members to get on our charter at the National Convention at Chicago, January 31 and February 1, and send a delegate from your A. C. L. if possible. Chicago is close to us.

MRS. ELIZABETH DRAKE,  
State Superintendent.

#### WORK AMONG RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

At the beginning of another year I desire to urge upon my co-workers to renewed efforts in order that our Department may accomplish great things during the first year of the twentieth century.

You have the Plan of Work, also the questions in report blanks, therefore it is unnecessary to take up space in telling you what to do.

I cheerfully give all needed information. Will County Presidents kindly see to it that each local Union appoints a local Superintendent for this Department?

Hoping to receive excellent reports from my associates in the work,  
MRS. ADALINE SUCSE,  
State Superintendent.

#### LOCAL UNIONS.

Press Superintendents are requested to send to the *MESSAGE* editor an item on a postal each month. Eliminate every word possible, and let the item contain not more than fifteen or twenty words, like a telegram, you know, giving facts only. This is said because of the unlimited space and the great desire all readers have to know about what you are doing.

#### FIELD NOTES.

**Franklin County** has but one L. T. L., and that is at Bath. On January 12 was held our second medal contest. After deducting expenses we had \$8.65, which was sent to the Hadley Home. Our Union also paid the thirty-six cents per member for the Home. We have a live Legion, twenty members; eight are studying for diplomas. We hope to take our graduates to State convention commencement. Five of our contestants are boys; four have just entered the State University at Oxford, Ohio. Blake Barkley received the medal at first contest, John Farr at second. We are planning for enough contests to hold our first gold contest in the county before our next State convention. The contests have done more here to arouse the people on the temperance question than anything we have done. Our Superintendent of Contest Work, Mrs. Ida B. Barkley, is also a teacher in L. T. L. and an earnest worker in the temperance cause. We are planning to organize other Legions in the near future. Our W. C. T. U. is also planning for a public meeting on the 17th of February.

MARGARET M. SMITH.

**Peru Y's** gave a social at Mrs. Kilmer's, evening of January 29. Their lunch consisted of beans, sandwiches, pickles, cake and cocoa. Tickets for admission, 15 cents. Mrs. Kilmer has a barrel ready for the Hadley Home, which contains useful clothing, books, cards and other things. Peru Union sent \$5.00 and the Y's will send a nice sum.

**To Benton County** W. C. T. U. The Hadley School has a debt, because we did not all send in our thirty-six cents per member last year. Please let us clear this debt all off and start in fresh by holding the silver medal contest soon and send in proceeds, and thus be done with Hadley for the year; besides rejoicing the heart of the good Treasurer, Mrs. Hessong. By vote of State Convention every woman who pays dues this year gets the State paper. There will be no more subscription. If we all pay our dues early we will get the paper earlier in the year, so let us all do this. The Treasurer only collects dues from us once in the year. Local Presidents, please keep this before the women, so the paper may have a good circulation. Our County Convention ordered the names of County officers and Superintendents printed on slips and sent out, so every Local officer and Superintendent may have one. Now, Local Superintendents, will you please report to the County Superintendent all work done by you? You know your Superintendent's name.

ELIZA F. BAKER,  
County President.

Mrs. Stahl writes: After some weeks of writing and planning I, by invitation, visited a United Brethren church, four miles west of Hartford City and held a gospel temperance meeting, and according to previous arrangements organized a W. C. T. U. It is small, but eight members, but I believe it is made up of good solid timber. Am sure some of the women have the courage of their convictions. I expect to see it grow.

Mrs. Katie W. Holler, President of St. Joseph County, organized a Union of eleven members on the east side of the river in South Bend, February 4. The meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lilly Lushbaugh; Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas; Secretary, Mrs. Nina High; Treasurer, Mrs. I. M. Houser. There are now four Unions in South Bend.

Miss Clara Agnes Boyd sends out a fine circular in the interest of her Department Unions. You would find it wise to correspond with Miss Boyd and arrange dates for her.

**Sedalia Union** held a Silver Medal Contest December 29, for the benefit of the Hadley Industrial School. Miss Nellie Chittick being the successful winner. Title, "Jeremiah and his Pa in a lively discussion." We are preparing a box of fruit and dry goods for the School.

**Bryant** has more than doubled its membership.

**Jay County**—President, Mrs. Ada C. Coleman, plans to visit all her Unions before their Institute. Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart is taking the same wise course and visiting her Unions, and that is work in a county like Grant. Grant and Marion are our very strong counties, they think they need the Institute. Grant County Superintendents have organized themselves into a Board. Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro, President; Mrs. Stephenson, Gas City, Secretary; Mrs. Mary Coggeshall, South Marion, Treasurer. I do so wish many other counties would take this advance step.—M. E. Balch.

The second anniversary meeting of Indianapolis Frances Willard Union, was held at Mrs. Cornelius. The President, Mrs. Leck, presided with grace and dignity and spoke beautiful words of encouragement. Little Martha Geyer recited a temperance pledge.

Mrs. Gipe, County President, presented the conditions of the work and the advancement made.

Rev. G. M. Smith, pastor Hall Place M. E. church, and an honorary member, spoke on the need of action along all temperance lines.

Rev. C. E. Bacon, pastor Roberts Park M. E. church, gave words of cheer and commendation.

Lieutenant Deuter, of the Salvation Army, sang a touching solo with accompaniment on his harp.

Mrs. Luella McWhirter gave echoes from the National Convention, mentioning the deference and respect shown the wearers of the White Ribbon, while attending the convention in our Nation's Capitol. On behalf of the Union, Mrs. Cornelius, in very beautiful and fitting words, presented Mrs. Leck with a life sized framed picture of Miss Willard, as a token of their love and appreciation of her services as their President. The generous hospitality of Mrs. Cornelius and a delightful social hour was greatly enjoyed.

**Hadley Union**, Grant County, at the last regular meeting received one new member and arranged to put a literature "wall pocket" in the C. I. & E. depot at Fairmount. The Union generally sympathizes with Mrs. Nation in her efforts to create sentiment against the illegal saloons in Kansas.

**Huntington Union** began the year with an unusually large attendance and a marked increase in interest. The subject of "A Model Mother" called forth some helpful thoughts and added several new members. Miss Rall pleased all with that sweet song "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White."

#### IN MEMORIAM.

Died, or fallen asleep in Christ, Elizabeth Jones, at the age of 55 years, November 12, 1900, at her home at Broad Ripple, at 5 o'clock in the morning. She closed her eyes forever to the scenes of this world for a brighter, better land where Jesus is the light. She was a faithful member of the Methodist Church and President of the Dorcas Society of that Church. She was a much loved member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Broad Ripple. For years she was a great sufferer, but was always patient, even to the end. She leaves to follow her a husband, two sisters and a host of friends. Her remains were placed in the vault at Ebenezer Church.

Aseneth Milhous, daughter of David and Levina Milhous, was born January 6, 1884, died December 2, 1900, aged 16 years, 11 months and two days. She was a member of the Bridgeport W. C. T. U. The change was not unlooked for, as she had been sick from consumption about twelve months. This she bore very patiently and was cheerful all the while, wishing those around her to be the same. She thankfully received any token of love and was not forgetful to bestow the same upon others. Near the last she became quite weary and longed for home. Thus ended the life of a loving and faithful daughter, a tender and confiding sister, a true and considerate friend. She had a birthright membership in Friends' Church and we believe she now has a membership in the Church Triumphant.

On December 31, 1900, Sister Henrietta Grove was summoned higher and on January 2, 1901, Sister E. S. Clark went out to return no more. Our Union has been singularly unfortunate, having lost five by death within the past eighteen months. We meet regularly and at our first meeting of the twentieth century we enrolled two new members. The Department work of Jail and Prison has not been neglected and the Flower Mission Department has been well looked after. Just now we have some rescue work on our hands and we hope to be able to give a good report of it in the near future.

At her home in Frankton, Ella Lee fell asleep in Jesus, January 18, aged 50 years. She was a faithful worker in and an earnest supporter of the W. C. T. U. She lived the life of a consistent Christian for many years and entered into life eternal in perfect peace, leaving a husband, three sons and many friends.

Thursday morning, December 6, the spirit of our noble sister, Beulah Dillon, sped to the Celestial Home. Mrs. Dillon was 76 years old and a charter member of the Rochester W. C. T. U., being one of the six anxious-hearted mothers who started the White Ribbon work there ten years ago. We thank God for the many lessons taught by her pure dignified life. The W. C. T. U. is poorer to-day by the death of their faithful member, while heaven is richer. May a double portion of her spirit rest upon us in our temperance work and may the Divine consolation abide with the bereaved family. Desiring to express our deep sympathy to Mr. Dillon, the sons and daughters,

Resolved, That a copy of the above memorial be sent to them. Also that the State W. C. T. U. may know and sympathize with us.

Resolved, That a copy be sent to the *MESSAGE* for publication.

On January 10, 1901, the following resolutions were adopted by representatives of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Greensboro, Ind.:

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from our midst the one who for more than twenty years has been our beloved President and Leader, Eliza M. Wright, be it

Resolved, That, while we bow in submission to His will, we hereby place on record an expression of our profound sorrow at the loss of one who has been an ardent worker, a wise counselor, an humble Christian and a warm friend.

Resolved, That we recognize her efficient work in our midst, and while we realize that her place cannot be filled, her blessed memory will ever be as a benediction to us.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to those most near and dear to her in this time of need.

Jefferson Union, Clinton County, sustained a loss in the death of our White Ribbon sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, who died January 16. This was the first death in the Union. Mrs. Thompson was also the oldest member in the Union, as she was nearing three score and ten years. We trust she is at rest.



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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## ADDISON HADLEY.

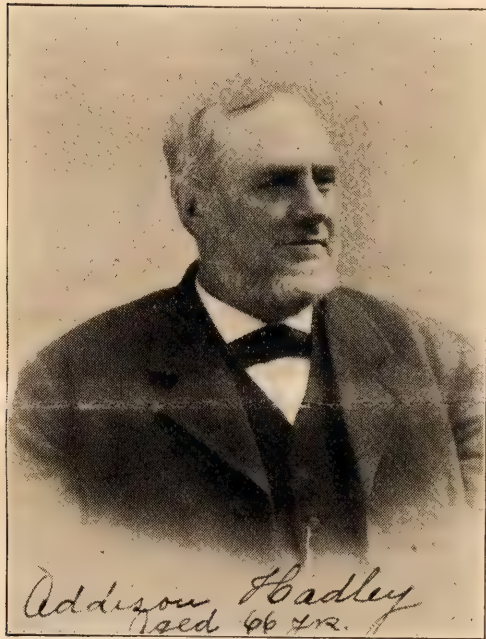
The first and greatest benefactor of the Indiana W. C. T. U. is gone.

Mr. Hadley died, after a short illness, on March 2, at his home, on a farm near the town of Hadley, in Hendricks County. Martha J. Hadley, nee Hill, his devoted wife, survives him.

He was born in North Carolina and came to Hendricks County about fifty years ago. He was a Friend, and had the characteristics of the early Quaker. He was industrious, frugal and a very successful farmer and stock raiser.

Mr. Hadley was a very modest man, of broad reading, a logical thinker, whose judgment was respected by all who knew him. He had a remarkable knowledge of the Scriptures and ability to explain them.

Many years ago he became convinced that the saloon was an enemy to God and righteousness and must go. Logically he became a prohibitionist. His great loving nature was stirred at the knowledge that in all Indiana not a place was provided where worthy, needy girls could be cared for and educated to become self-reliant and independent. For this reason he



sought to have a conference with our dear Mrs. Josephine Nichols, then President of the Indiana W. C. T. U., which resulted in Addison and Martha Hadley giving, on February 1, 1891, a beautiful farm of one hundred and ten acres, situated near Hadley, to the Indiana W. C. T. U., upon which to establish an industrial school for worthy, needy girls, \$5,000 having been raised for a building by the organization, according to agreement, before the transfer of the deed.

In May, 1895, the school was opened and from the first has continued to be a blessing to many worthy, needy girls, who are receiving Christian care and culture, a common school education and a knowledge of domestic and dairy work, care of poultry and small fruits. All this in one of the most healthful localities under very favorable surroundings. The value of the institution property is now about \$30,000.

Addison and Martha Hadley have thus built for themselves a monument in the hearts of the people and in the immortal lives of those girls who have received and who will receive benefits from their wise and loving plans.

Mr. Hadley's funeral was held on March 4, in the Friends' Church at Hadley and was very largely attended. The speakers were Anna Mills and Ellis Wells, Friends' ministers, and F. T. McWhirter, for the W. C. T. U. He was buried at Hadley. The W. C. T. U. has lost a loving, considerate friend and benefactor.

Several years ago Addison and Martha J. Hadley made a deed to two hundred and seventy-seven acres of land adjoining the Industrial School farm, to be kept by the executor, F. T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, until after Mr. Hadley's death, at which time it should be recorded. This has been done. It provides that Mrs. Hadley shall have the rents and profits of the farm during her lifetime. Thus, in all, the Indiana W. C. T. U. will receive for the use of the Hadley Industrial School the magnificent gift of three hundred and eighty-seven acres of valuable land from Addison and Martha Hadley, situated near the St. Louis division of the Big Four railroad, twenty-four miles west of Indianapolis.

## FOR CLOSING THE GATES OF THE PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION ON SUNDAY.

WHEREAS, The American Sabbath is the bulwark of American liberties and of American institutions, and WHEREAS, Liberty from the demands of toil one day in seven, is the inalienable right of every man, and

WHEREAS, The opening of the gates of the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo, on Sunday, will be in direct opposition to the religious convictions and expressed desire of the large majority of the Christian people, not only of the Empire State, but of all this Nation,

WE, the citizens of Indiana, do most earnestly petition the President and the members of the Board of Directors of the Pan-American Exposition not to open the gates of said Exposition on Sunday, and protest against yielding to any pressure that may be brought to bear, from any source, to have said gates opened on the Christian Sabbath.

The foregoing petition and protest receives the cordial approval of ..... Church in ..... representing a congregation of adherents to the number of ..... Christian Endeavor in ..... Epworth League in ..... Baptist Union in ..... W. C. T. U. in ..... Y. M. C. A. in .....

### INDIVIDUAL SIGNATURES.

Sign and return as speedily as possible to Mrs. V. F. Cox, Tabor, N. J.

## TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION.

Representative E. E. Neal warned the members of the House of Representatives that in many townships in Indiana much the same spirit existed as in Kansas, and that they ought to vote for the Scott temperance bill.

The temperance people have reason now to believe the truth of the statement made before the opening of the Indiana Legislature to the effect that there would be no temperance legislation on account of pledges made to liquor men previous to the election of legislators.

How different Representative Neal's position on temperance legislation and that of Colonel Eli F. Ritter's. Colonel Ritter informed the temperance committee of the House that he was opposed to any more temperance legislation in Indiana for ten years. Afterward, in speaking against the Scott bill, on the floor of the House of Representatives, Representative Reser quoted Colonel Ritter as opposed to any temperance legislation at this session.

The Scott temperance bill was defeated in the Indiana House of Representatives by the following vote: Ayes—Adamson, Airhart, Allen, Beckman, Bishop, Carmichael, Cravens, Davis, of Green, Davis, of Wayne, Gauntt, Gillett, Harris, Jack, King, Kirkman, McCarty, Marshall, of Fountain, Metsker, Miller, of Kosciusko, Miller, of Ohio, Morton, Mummert, Neal, Parker, Perrett, Reeves, Robertson, Scott, Short, Slack, Sparks, Stookey, Stout, Tucker, Vestal, Waugh, Mr. Speaker (Artman)—37.

Nays—Bell, Bonham, Burrier, Burkhart, Catley, Clarke, Clem, Coble, Cotner, Cox, Cooper, Cully, Dille, Dirksen, Dudley, Erdlitz, Gerber, Haines, Hopping, Horsfield, Jackman, James, Johnson, Kelley, Lawrence, Lopp, Louttit, Madden, Marshall, of Tippecanoe, Matthews, Maxem, May, Minton, Morgan, Muller, Murphy, Myler, Ostermeyer, Parks, Passage, Pritchard, Reagan, Reser, Schreeder, Scifers, Stutesman, Thomas, Trout, Wesling, Zollman—50.

Absentees—Cruson, John, Larr, Manifold, Owen, Roberts, of Jefferson, Roberts, of Dearborn, Rogers, Small, Van Fleet, Whitcomb—11.

## HOUSEKEEPING—MOTHERHOOD.

Definite education is planned for every profession except housekeeping and motherhood. Mothers, a great responsibility rests upon you. Teach your daughters how to be scientific housekeepers. If you have not this knowledge, seek to find such an institution and place them there with just as much enthusiasm as you seek an academy or a college for them. Let them understand that the kitchen is a laboratory and of equal importance to the best laboratory of any educational institution.

To enter the profession of housekeeping without years of preparation ought to be considered as great a folly and as hazardous as to enter the legal or medical profession (if that could be done) without study and preparation. No diploma or certificate is required even by our great institutions for educated housekeepers and cooks. This will be remedied. The time will come when housekeeping will be taught by rules.

The highest paid cooks now are men. They measure and cook by rule. When women are scientifically educated as housekeepers and cooks, accidents will be few, for, like the chemist, everything will be done by rule with the same result each time. Thermometers will be used on the oven and in the water and an even temperature will be gained, thus preventing some kinds of accidents.

The prevalence of cooking schools and instruction in housekeeping tend to dignify housework. When this is accomplished, the offices, factories and stores will not have the privilege of fading the bloom from the cheeks of our young girls. The sacredness of girlhood will then be sheltered in homes where they will naturally seek opportunity for a higher, more natural and better development.

Motherhood! No woman has a right to marry who would shun motherhood. If she should, she is not normally right, for every normal girl looks forward with a certain joyous anticipation toward motherhood. For this, the most important profession which women may enter, little or no preparation is made. Too often must we hear, "Poor young girl! She will have to learn by experience, as I did!" Shame! Such false ideas! The statistics collected by the National Prison Reform Association show that of the criminals in this country whose lives, environments and mothers have been traced, prove that pre-natal influences are responsible for a large per cent of the crimes committed.

Child life and culture and motherhood in their physical, moral and spiritual phases should be studied. Sensible young men, after considering the ignorance of some young women in regard to themselves and the duties of wife and mother, will refuse to seek them for wives. Why not? What young woman would want to marry a man who did not have a vocation—who was not qualified to support her? Not one. Why, then, should a young woman, who has a smattering of several things and knows absolutely nothing about practical housekeeping or motherhood, expect to make a home and to be loved and respected by a man?

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Half the year is past with March fifteenth and what have you done for our beloved cause? Do you attend the meetings regularly, or do you attend everything else and slight the temperance cause you represent? We must be loyal and true.

February 22 it was my privilege to attend a meeting of the Goshen Y at the home of Mrs. Amanda Kauffman, their faithful and consecrated leader, and think of a house full—a most delightful sight. Praise God for such people and bless them is our constant prayer.

Y. W. C. T. U. conference at Goshen on February 23 was one of the best meetings of the kind I ever attended. South Bend Y's, with their County President, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, were there, also a large delegation from Middlebury. It was a meeting long to be remembered. Papers and addresses on topics assigned were handled in a masterly manner. Especially fine was Mr. Richard Fidler's paper on Health, Heredity and Physical Culture. About one hundred and fifty were present during the morning and afternoon sessions. Space forbids personal mention of all who took a part on the program, but it was all good and helpful.

Bedford has the next Y conference, evening of March 22 and morning of the 23d. Pray for us, that many may be added to our cause.

Dear Y Treasurers, do be faithful in gathering the dues, and as other states have set their mark for five hundred new Y's, let us also. We can, if we only try. Will you help?

Miss Ina Burton, President South Bend Y, went to Goshen to attend the Y conference, but being sick, was obliged to return early Saturday morning, much to the regret of all her friends. We pray that she is strong again.

Have you sent your appropriation to the State Y Secretary, for a convention fund? If you have ten members or more you are asked to send \$1.00 for the fund; if less than ten, 50 cents per Union. This is to be in the hands of the Secretary, so it can be reported in the annual report blank and proper credit given. See to it, girls, that you do your duty in this respect.

Death visited the home of one of our Y members and took the mother of Miss Ray Bryan, of Anderson, a woman who loved our cause and prayed for its success. Remember Miss Ray in your prayers.

CLARA M. SEARS.

ANDERSON.

Converse has a new Union of thirty-two members, organized by the County President. President, Mrs. J. W. Eword; Vice-President, Mrs. Ida Arrick; Secretary, Mrs. Roby; Treasurer, Miss Laura Cammack.



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She is an earnest White Ribboner and Prohibitionist and an enthusiastic member of Indianapolis Central Union. She is a daughter-in-law of our loved State Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Balch.

## SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The outlook for the utter overthrow of the saloon grows brighter. The public realizes more and more that the saloon defies law, degrades communities and burdens taxpayers.

Whatever may be said of the career of Mrs. Carrie Nation, one thing is very certain—saloons are greater law breakers and more ruinous to property than a thousand Carrie Nations could be. Kansas is only a small territory compared with the great, wide waste of desolation in the track of this awful scourge. The beginning of the end seems to dawn with the new awakening led by the intrepid and sincere Carrie Nation.

William Allen White, a Kansas writer and editor of the *Emporia Gazette*, came to Indianapolis, by invitation, to read a paper before the Contemporary Club. While here he said in an interview by a *News* reporter:

"Several years ago, I think it was in 1895, after the Debs strike in 1894, the Legislature passed a law which took away the right of injunction from the county attorney, and forcing the prohibitory law. But this law was passed, not to cripple the prohibitory law, but to catch the labor vote by guaranteeing to laborers the right to trial by jury in cases of strikes, lockouts and such labor troubles as were put down by injunction in the Debs strike of 1894. When this law was passed it crippled the power of the county attorney in bringing jointists to justice, because it put the matter of conviction in the hands of twelve men, one of whom, at least, in pretty nearly every Kansas county, might be depended upon to hang any jury in a liquor case. Subsequently, since that time, joints have been growing more and more impudent, and the law has been violated with more or less impunity in many Kansas counties. In the towns of Atchison, Leavenworth, Kansas City, Kas., Topeka, Ft. Scott and Wichita the city councils have, by one device or another, established a monthly fining system which amounts to a license. But in hundreds of other towns public sentiment has enforced the law.

## MRS. NATION'S INSPIRATION.

"It was this condition of affairs which created Carrie Nation. She is a woman past middle age. She has lived her life decently and usefully and law-abidingly until now. She has suffered as many women suffer, by reason of whisky. Her first husband, who was probably her ideal, in spite of the fact that she has married again, died a drunkard, and she says openly that it is to avenge his death that she has gone on the rampage. There is no doubt but that she is violating the law. There is no doubt but that she should be brought to justice. There is no doubt but that she should be made to suffer for offending the law. She is hysterical at times and is driven frantic by the recollection, probably, of what whisky has done for her.

"Yet, there is another side to it. In Kansas the liquor traffic has also violated the law. It is the joint keeper's business to promote vice, violence and crime; to injure our health, to destroy and waste our wealth; to lay burdens on our charities; to increase our taxation and to corrupt our politics. The Kansas joint keeper kills more men, maims and disables more men, ruins more men and tortures more women and children than all other criminals put together.

## THE SALOONIST'S MISSION.

"The reason people have not yet fully realized this is that his work is slow, hidden and indirect. All vices thrive around him. All crimes grow out of him. But in general, not instantly, the seed is sown, the impetus given to-day, and the blight following next year or ten years hence. He lives and moves and thrives and literally raises hell outside the law—just as much outside the law as Mrs. Nation is. For my part, lamentable as riot is, I would rather see riot in the streets of Kansas towns for the next year than to see Kansas sink into the hopeless, helpless condition of New York City, for example, where riots may be rare, but where lawlessness and civic corruption and the moral decay of citizens are accepted without question as the order and hardly without protest. By all means, let Mrs. Nation go to jail when she violates the law, but let the joint keepers and recreant Kansas officials suffer also and in proportion to their offending."

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Let not our ideas grow narrow nor our hearts grow cold in dealing with Hadley Home. It is entitled to our loyal support, as the cause is so noble. For the first time since opening the Home there is now serious sickness. Blanche Bovee, of Garrett, DeKalb County, and Ina Barker, of Fountain County, are seriously ill. They are attended by a good physician and have tender care, but we all know the weary watching and extra attention that sickness brings. There is no call for nurses, but there might be remembrances of a substantial nature that would allow some delicacies and extra help to be provided. A hot water bag would be highly appreciated, and your good sense will suggest to you what you can do. We are all enlisted as volunteers in this service, and the highest service we can render is to protect the helpless, nurture the young and make this world a more tolerable place to live in and point to the brighter, sweeter world beyond.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

HADLEY, IND., March 4, 1901.

Dear readers of the *Message*:

I suppose it would be of interest to you to hear about our nice home and the way in which our work is conducted. As our home is large, we have many departments of work, and in order to carry it on in the right way we must have a method by which to work.

I am going to tell you about the chamber work. We have ten sleeping rooms and four chambermaids to do the work. They make the beds, which number twenty-eight, sweep the rooms, do the dusting and attend to the changing of the beds. On Saturday the rooms receive an extra good cleaning, which consists of mopping, cleaning the walls and washing the wood-work. We are very thankful to our dear Father in heaven for His many blessings to us, and also to all the dear ones who are working for our benefit. I am glad there are such institutions established as this, in which girls can receive better training than they would if they had to struggle with the temptations of the outside world. But I know that each one of the W. C. T. U. women and all who are interested in our welfare will feel doubly paid if we reach the high ideal of Christian womanhood which they have for us and which they expect us to be, so that when we leave here we may be able to carry the balm of consolation to some sin-burdened heart. I pray that others may join your ranks and help you in the glorious uplifting of humanity and the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

May the day soon dawn when every saloon will be abolished, not only in the United States, but all over this large world of ours, and then the many thousands who are laboring to-day in the cause shall feel rewarded; but only partially rewarded, for they will never know the good they have done nor the full extent of their labors until they reach their glorious home above and hear the glad message from the compassionate Jesus, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Yours sincerely,

GRACE GRIFFIN.

HADLEY, IND., March 3, 1901.

Dear readers of the *Message*:

As you have read about the dairy work and cooking, and know how that work is carried on, perhaps you would like to know how our school work is conducted. There are two bells rung before school in the

morning; one at 8:15, to give time to all those who are not ready for school to prepare, and the other one at 8:30, when school opens. Miss Mary Pearson is our teacher and we girls all love her very much. We have all the grades from the first to the eighth. There are seven girls in the eighth grade and they are all trying to graduate. We are going to take the county examination March 16 and we have a great deal of studying to do. From 8:30 to 8:45 Miss Pearson generally reads to us. After that she begins to hear the classes recite. The smallest children recite first. There are three girls in the first grade and one in the second grade. After the first and second grades recite they are excused from the room until after recess. Miss Pearson next hears the third grade, then the fourth, and so on, through all the grades. Then recess at 10:25. As a rule, only the younger girls go out at recess, the girls in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades remaining in to study. After recess, the classes again recite in rotation as before. School closes at 12 o'clock and at 12:15 we have dinner. After dinner the girls who have work to do begin their duties, while the others take their recreation. At 1:30 school opens again and lessons are heard in the same manner as in the morning. We have recess in the afternoon at 2:50. School closes at 4 o'clock in the evening and the dairy girls go to milk and the cooks to prepare supper. After supper we have from 7 o'clock to 8 o'clock to study.

EMMA WALSH.

## EVANGELISTIC.

I regret very much that my letter was just a little too late for the February issue of the MESSAGE, for I wanted to give you time to arrange for the observance of an Evangelistic Sunday (as suggested by Miss Greenwood in her recommendations for 1901) on the first Sunday in March. As we are too late for this, I would suggest that we observe the twenty-fourth, and conform as much as we can to her plan, which is as follows: Let each Superintendent seek to secure Sunday, March 3, as Evangelistic and Woman's Sunday, under the auspices of the local W. C. T. U. Sermons to women, or upon temperance work, in the morning; a consecration, or Sabbath school service in the afternoon and a union Evangelistic mass meeting in the evening.

Let us work according to our National Superintendent's plans as fully as we can, consistent with our environments. My Plan of Work is now in the hands of the printer and every Superintendent will receive a copy as soon as your addresses are known. Will each County Superintendent send me, immediately, all the names and addresses of her local Superintendents? I sincerely hope we are all putting forth our best efforts along all evangelistic lines and are keeping a faithful record of work done. A few lines from the *Union Signal* so impressed my mind that I pass them on: "Oh, do not pray for easy lives! Pray to be stronger men (and I add women.) Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle. But you shall be a miracle. Every day you shall wonder at yourself, at the richness of life which has come in you by the grace of God."—Philips Brooks. I trust each Superintendent takes the *Union Signal*. In the issue of February 28 you will find Miss Greenwood's recommendations for 1901, which I suggest you carefully read and put in practice.

Yours in service,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON,  
State Superintendent.

## FLOWER MISSION.

Now is the time to plant seeds in boxes and to plan for the flower beds. If geranium slips are put into pots now, in rich soil and kept in a south or east window, they will bloom early and thus enable you to put a bright blossom where some one will be made to rejoice. Always send a Scripture text card tied to your gift, whether it be a flower, fruit, clothing or reading matter. The gospel message is the one balm that can soothe a soul.

For the celebration of Flower Mission Day (June 9, 1901) it would be of lasting joy and value to carry magazines and books, as well as flowers, to the State and local institutions, poor farms and county jails. Many persons would gladly contribute these from their book-shelves. Will the County Superintendents please arrange to have the nearest local superintendents and several ministers and teachers assist in holding a Flower Mission service? June 9 comes on Sunday, so that Saturday and Sunday may be observed in different places, giving opportunity for the teachers and boys and girls to help.

If there is no County Superintendent, or for any reason she cannot arrange as early as the last of April for county meetings, each Local Union Superintendent should perfect her own arrangements, secure the help of others and do what she can. Arrangements should be made by April 1 with the officials of all institutions, poor houses and county jails for the services to be held. All newspapers should be supplied with a write-up of the Flower Mission work, and books, scrap books, clothing, flowers, delicacies and confections solicited, naming some store or elsewhere where things contributed should be sent. Flower Mission text cards are 25 cents per hundred. Order early of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

Wishing that I could see you and talk instead of writing,  
Faithfully,

ETHEL TYREE McWHIRTER.

DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind.



## FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

A change in the name of this department was deemed necessary because of the mistaken idea that work was confined to fair grounds. It is the mission of this department to go to the people where they are assembled at fairs, Fourth of July celebrations, old settlers' meetings, harvest homes, veteran encampments, reunions of the Blue and the Gray, conventions, excursions, picnics, street fairs and all open air meetings. See to the enforcement of law relating to gambling and other vices, also to the illegal sale of liquors. Endeavor to influence the managers and directors of fairs and other gatherings to refuse permits to fakirs and gamblers and to refuse privileges for the



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sale of liquors, with always an abundance of literature on hand. Every county should have a superintendent of this department, whose first duty is to have a superintendent appointed in every local union. Each locality has its special needs and privileges, hence the importance of having local superintendents who are in a position to know the lines of work best adapted to that section of the county, the kind of literature to be distributed, the subjects to be discussed by our speakers when on the program at fairs and open air meetings. Superintendents should have a copy of our state laws on gambling and other vices, also relating to the sale of liquor on fair grounds, city parks and at circuses.

At Washington, the National Banner of Fairs was presented to Indiana for having secured the most signed pledge cards. Each card represented one new paid member. It was with peculiar pleasure I received it, having accepted the same banner in 1896 from our dear sainted Josephine R. Nichols and carried it for her on Benefit Night at the National Convention in St. Louis, afterwards presenting it to Mrs. Guild, State Superintendent of Missouri, now National Superintendent, who lovingly and prayerfully returned it to Indiana (where it was planned and made), where I believe we should keep it—but to accomplish this we shall need be abundant in labor.

Begin now to secure new members, using the membership cards prepared for this department—cards, 25 cents per hundred, which I will furnish upon application. See that all cards are filled correctly; if they are not, they cannot be counted in this contest. All cards are to be returned to me and I will string them on blue ribbon to form a chain and return them to the National Superintendent in time to decide, before the National Convention, to whom the banner will belong. That superintendents may be prepared for aggressive work, the National Superintendent urges that each superintendent gets up an entertainment at once, the proceeds to be used to buy literature and meet incidental expenses. Lack of funds cripples our work.

Now is the time to go before agricultural boards to apply for space and privileges. The directors and managers are making arrangements for speakers, preparing programs and planning all details necessary to carry out their plans successfully.

Will superintendents of this department kindly send me their names and addresses at once. I want to send you Plan of Work and a sample pledge card. Let us with renewed zeal enter upon the work of this year and with our banner unfurled to the breeze, march valiantly on to victory.

MRS. ADA B. LECK,  
State Superintendent.

1801 N. Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis.

## INSTITUTES.

The first thing absolutely necessary to success is to understand the plan and the program. These will be sent early, that each person assigned some subject on the program may have a copy. More programs will be sent later on as the time of the Institute draws near, for use during the meetings, that copies may be given to all in attendance. Copies of the *Union Signal*, MESSAGE, Annual Leaflets and Minutes will be sent and if some one has charge of the literature we will address these to them if they will send in their names to the State Corresponding Secretary. Correspond directly with the leader of your Institute as to arrangement of program, entertainment, arrival, Sunday meetings, subjects for evening lectures, etc., etc. Let this correspondence go on now, before the work of the Institute begins. It has been suggested that

the contest should be Suffrage. Order your supplies from the State Superintendent and send money with your order. Suffrage books, 15 cents a copy; medals, \$1.25; tickets, two hundred with envelopes, 35 cents. The schedule of Section 1 in February MESSAGE had to be slightly changed and in this issue we give it in full. We are obliged to leave some counties blank, even at this late date, as the places are not yet selected.

## SECTION ONE.

Hammond, Lake County, March 19, and 20; Hebron, Porter County, March 25, 26 and 27; South Bend, St. Joseph County, March 28, 29 and 30; Kewanee, Fulton County, April 1, 2 and 3; Amboy, Miami County, April 4, 5 and 6; South Whitley, Whitley County, April 11, 12 and 13; St. Joseph, DeKalb County, April 15, 16 and 17; Fremont, Steuben County, April 18, 19 and 20; Ft. Wayne, Allen County, April 22, 23 and 24; Star City, Pulaski County, April 25, 26 and 27. Leader, Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington, Ind.

## SECTION TWO.

Sycamore, Howard County, April 11, 12 and 13; Sedalia, Clinton County, April 15, 16 and 17; Carroll County, April 18, 19 and 20; Jasper County, April 22, 23 and 24; Morocco, Newton County, April 29, 30 and May 1; Lochiel, Benton County, May 2, 3 and 4; Warren County, May 6, 7 and 8; Covington, Fountain County, May 9, 10 and 11; Montgomery County, May 13, 14 and 15; Tippecanoe County, May 16, 17 and 18; Boone County, May 20, 21 and 22; Atlanta, Hamilton County, May 23, 24 and 25; Elwood, Madison County, May 27, 28 and 29; Eaton, Delaware County, May 30, 31 and June 1; Jonesboro, Grant County, June 3, 4 and 5. Leader, Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro, Ind.

## SECTION THREE.

Hancock County, April 11, 12 and 13; Fairfield P. O., Friendswood, Hendricks County, April 15, 16 and 17; Brazil, Clay County, April 18, 19 and 20; Terre Haute, Vigo County, April 22, 23 and 24; Bloomington, Parke County, April 25, 26 and 27; Mooresville, Morgan County, April 29, 30 and May 1; Petersburg, Bartholomew County, May 2, 3 and 4. The remainder of the counties in this section will be given in the April MESSAGE. Leader, Miss Hattie Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

## SECTION FOUR—EAST HALF

Washington, Daviess County, April 15, 16 and 17; Shoals, Martin County, April 18, 19 and 20; Salem, Washington County, April 22, 23 and 24; North Vernon, Jennings County, April 25, 26 and 27; Dillsboro, Dearborn County, April 29, 30 and May 1; Rising Sun, Ohio County, May 2, 3 and 4; Georgetown, Clark County, May 6, 7 and 8; New Albany, Floyd County, May 9, 10 and 11. Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, 905½ N. Eighth street, Terre Haute, Ind.

## SECTION FOUR—WEST HALF.

Miss Mary Hadley, leader, will be scheduled in the April MESSAGE.

## PARLIAMENTARY OUTLINE OF STUDY FOR LOCAL AND COUNTY UNIONS.

1. How to obtain the floor.
2. To make and withdraw motions.
3. Amendments.
4. Classification and rank of motions.
5. Elections.
6. Duties of Officers.
7. All about Committees.
8. All about Quorum.
9. Appeals—Points of Order.
10. Questions of Privilege.
11. All about Adjournment.

Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, National Superintendent of the Department of Parliamentary Usage, desires that



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the above outline of study be published in the official organ of each State, with such exhortation as will meet the needs of the women of each State. She says:

"If the W. C. T. U. is to retain the present distinction so freely accorded to it at one time—that of being the best parliamentary organization in the land—the rank and file must be better taught. This cannot be done by spasmodic efforts, but by methodical, systematic study.

"In each regular meeting ten minutes of the time cannot be better spent than in the study and practice of one or more parliamentary points, going over the lesson again and again until even the dullest woman can comprehend it. Each county convention should give at least one hour a day to the study.

"Much effort is expended in obtaining new members. Once secured, let us see to it that they are taught to do things decently and in order. There is no better way to replenish a depleted treasury than to sell tickets for a course of parliamentary lessons. Even in small towns the multiplicity of organizations makes this an easy thing to do; and there is not only money in it, but the consciousness of supplying a long felt need on the part of the several societies, who will gratefully remember the W. C. T. U. because it added to their knowledge and thereby increased their power."

Your Superintendent would add that these are her sentiments, and she asks you to consider them carefully and to act upon them as fully as possible. Naturally a very good start will be given to this department in the coming Normal Institutes, as the object lesson will be before all who attend them. It would be well to appoint a critic in each Institute who will pay special attention and if not wishing to interrupt proceedings, make a note of what seemed to be incorrect and read it just before the close of each meeting, to be discussed or explained. A word to the wise is sufficient, but report, report, report.

Do the women practice parliamentary law in the Unions? Do they study and have any drills and of what kind, and what helps do they use? If any County Superintendent who has not one of Mrs. Benjamin's Parliamentary Cards, or any County President who has no County Superintendent nor card, will send me her name and address, she will receive one of the cards; and anyone wishing questions answered or information on this department, please write me.

E. D. HARDY,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Y Conference** at Goshen was largely attended and the program was of unusual interest. Very interesting subjects were ably presented and animated discussion followed. Great and lasting good will follow such enthusiastic work. Miss Clara Sears, State Y Secretary, presided; Miss Mabel Schadt, Secretary.

"Medal Contests" was well presented by Eugene Davis, with many practical suggestions. A paper on "Flower Mission," by Miss Minnie Butts, of South Bend, was read by Miss Rohrer.

"The Value of the Press," by Miss Kime, of Middlebury, was helpful and instructive.

"Health, Heredity and Physical Training" was an excellent paper prepared and read by Richard Fidler.

Mrs. Kate Wert Holler, President of St. Joseph County, read a paper she had prepared on "Sabbath Observance and Civil Sabbath Law." She further illustrated the work by charts expressly prepared in the interest of the physical law, with excellent effect.

"Effect of Opium and Morphine on the Human System," by Miss Agnes Butts, of South Bend, was another instructive paper.

A good paper on "Purity" was read by Miss Mabel Schadt.

Mrs. Laura C. Phoenix, President of Elkhart County, spoke from a scientific standpoint and with earnestness on "Does Alcohol Harm the Body?"

Excellent musical selections were rendered. Miss Zoë Shafer sweetly sang "Come Unto Me." A violin solo by Miss Lelia Kauffman was much appreciated.

Rev. Alex. McLaughlin, of the Wells Memorial Lutheran Church, and Rev. A. C. Anda, of the English Lutheran Church, were present and encouraged the workers by words of appreciation of the great work that is being done to educate the young to combat with evil.

Mrs. Kate Wert Holler, Miss Laura Wert and Miss Agnes Butts were present from South Bend and nine young people, representing the Middlebury Y's, were in attendance.

Of the evening meeting a prominent city paper said: "The Y's held an enthusiastic meeting last evening at the residence of Mrs. D. T. Kauffman, the house being crowded. Miss Nina Poyser rendered 'The Life Story in Music,' which was appreciated by all present. Miss Sears, State Y Secretary, gave the Y's a very interesting talk. Persons attending the Y meetings cannot help seeing what a wide-awake organization this Society is and what a work it is doing."

Mrs. A. P. Daub writes: "Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings and National Organizer in Alaska, is spending two weeks in Elkhart County, assisting the County President, Mrs. Laura C. Phoenix, to organize and reorganize Unions. Saturday, March 2, she organized a Union in North Goshen and made an earnest appeal to mothers to realize the importance and responsibility of motherhood. She introduced the White Ribbon Cradle Roll, and many mothers were interested and joined the Roll who are not W. C. T. U's. In the near future we hope to add many more names to the Cradle Roll and Department of Mothers' Meetings. The interurban cities, including South Bend, Mishawaka, Elkhart, Oseola, Dunlaps and Goshen, will entertain a conference of Press Superintendents of the



Y and W. C. T. U. Much good is expected to come of this exchanging of methods, and great is the necessity that Press Superintendents should have all the help necessary to promote the one department that has the power to make or mar, as the case may be. Many excellent lectures are heard by only a few, but the press heralds the news far and wide and thereby reaches thousands that either have no opportunity or are not interested enough in the work to come out to these lectures. The world judges us by what it knows of us and not by the many excellent plans we have, but what we can do and publish. I think a conference of all the Press Superintendents would aid in the promotion of our cause. I am sorry to say that I think this, most of all departments, has been neglected too much for its own advancement."

**Miss Mary Hadley**, National and State Superintendent of Institutes, writes from Springfield, Mo.: Greetings to my Indiana co-workers and tell them I think Indiana soil is as good as that of Missouri for our White Ribbon gospel. The times seem ripe for a harvest in our work. In the chapel of Drewery College here, where I presented our cause, a debate was held during institute on "Resolved, That the work of Mrs. Carrie Nation, of Kansas, is justifiable under the law and in harmony with reason." At 10 cents admission it brought a \$30 house. It was a most enjoyable meeting, considered highly educational, etc. There seems to be a floodtide of interest here and I trust this is true everywhere.

**Hebron W. C. T. U.** gave a 10-cent tea at the home of Mrs. Caroline Flint, on February 14, to raise their apportionment for Hadley Home. Aside from raising the amount of money required, and more, a fine program was rendered and the people were made better acquainted with W. C. T. U. work. The gift of the Hadley Home was explained and we hope new interest aroused in several departments of work. A very dainty tea was served from little tables and everyone returned to their homes well pleased.

**Central Union**, of Terre Haute, held a Frances Willard memorial service in the Tabernacle Baptist Church on February 18. Rev. G. W. Pearce, Pastor of the Church, led the devotional. The program given in the *Union Signal* was followed. Tribute to Miss Willard was given by Mrs. Rose Pearce. Mrs. Ada Squires presented the L. T. L. work. Mrs. Emma Joice, County President, presided. One new member was added and a good offering received.

**Grant County**—The Hadley Union's last meeting was to have been conducted by the Superintendent of Mercy, Amanda Vancannon, who had prepared quite a full program, but learning that Mattie Cammack-Gibson would be with us that day the program was held over. Sister Gibson gave us a very instructive Bible lesson from First Corinthians. It is a source of great encouragement to the local Unions for the county workers to drop in occasionally. Mrs. Gibson visited our schools the next day in the interest of Scientific Temperance and all the complaint heard from the children was that she did not stay long enough. At our last meeting we voted to subscribe for the *Phalanx* and *New Voice* for our wall-pocket which we have put up in the C. I. & E. depot at Fairmount.

**Indianapolis Northeast Union** held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Jennie Gilmore, on Arrow avenue. Our President, Mrs. Lulu Heimbach, has been very sick for some time, but is better now. Her husband is very sick now. Our President is going to move to North Vernon, March 1. Our Union loses a noble woman and an earnest worker. We are grieved to lose her. Pray that the right woman be put in her place; that the Northeast Union may be successful. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Heimbach's, 1410 Yandes street. We are doing well, so far, with our name quilt. The contest, held January 7, was a success, partially. Miss Annie Jarrett, aged 14, won the medal. The title of her piece was, "The Converted Rumseller." Another contest will be held soon. Mrs. Leck and Mrs. Bennett met with us recently and gave good talks on department work. Mrs. Leck read a paper, which was very good and very instructive. Our Union will hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. Laura Patton, 1400 Martindale avenue, on Friday evening, February 15, in memory of our dear departed leader, Frances E. Willard's heavenly birthday. The Northeast Union is still on the upward move.

**Rising Sun** held a very successful medal contest, gained three new members and took six names for the *Union Signal* (the short term.)

**Mrs. Flora Woodard**, of Marion, writes: "Our Union is in fine condition. We have never done anything that has increased the interest in our work that our programs are doing. Women that we never could get to attend a meeting are now attending. There were 65 present at last meeting, and we secured six new members. We serve a very light refreshment and get up the best program we know how. We hope to double our membership."

**Fort Wayne Union**, on Miss Willard's memorial day, placed in their public library a full set of that gifted woman's books. [Excellent.—Editor.]

**As a special mark of love and respect** the Huntington Union attended, in a body, the funeral services of their departed sister, Mrs. A. B. Crull, in the M. E. Church, January 10, 1901. A handsome bow of white ribbon was tied around the casket by the sisters as a parting tribute.

A card from Miss Hadley, dated March 1, Springfield, Mo., brings report of two counties, two Y's and two L. T. L.'s organized as the result of two institutes.

**Mrs. S. M. Shelt**, solicitor in District No. 1, for Hadley Industrial School, has no time for the work and Mrs. Frank Agar, of LaPorte, takes her place. Mrs. Agar comes very highly recommended.

**Rev. Cammack-Gibson** spent a week in DeKalb County, March 5-11.

**Martinsville** sends in their annual program. They will compete for the premium.

**Mrs. Stahl** writes: "I am so busy I have time for but a line or two. I organized a Union last week at Roll, with thirteen regular and four honorary members and others promised. The following is a list of officers and superintendents: Mrs. Agnes Dodge, President; Mrs. Emma Cohran, Vice-President; Mrs. Lillie Palmer, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Sadie Simons, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Mollie Alexander, Treasurer. I think it is well officered. The President is one of the dearest, best little mothers—such a good woman. Superintendents—Evangelistic, Mrs. Mollie Alexander; Medal Contest, Mrs. Lillie Palmer; Flower Mission, Miss Ella Turner; Sunday School Work, Mrs. Rachel Graves; W. T. P. A. Agent, Mrs. Lizzie Lickley. We had a splendid memorial service in Grace M. E. Church. We invited the L. T. L. to join with us and there were more than fifty bright little faces on the platform, with their happy little songs, flags and speeches, and when I got up to talk I said I thought anybody ought to be strong with such a backing as that."

The offer of a three months' subscription to the *Union Signal* for 15 cents expired February 28. Please remember that papers will not be sent after the time expires, three months from the time the names were received by the editor. We greatly appreciate your efforts in securing these names and pray that you may be equally successful in securing their renewal. "Beautiful Life" or a "Great Mother" will be given as premiums to the person or Union sending in the largest list of renewals or new subscribers. We hope no effort will be spared to secure as many as possible. Begin the canvass at once, that no number may be missed.

**Mapleton Union** anniversary, held at the beautiful home of its President, Mrs. D. McClintock, February 20, was a decided success. Addresses were made by our State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson; Miss Hattie Brand, Rev. C. Hunt and Professor McWhirter; recitation by Miss Maud Baker; solos by Mrs. Lora Northcutt and Mrs. Bertha Hammerly Hill; music furnished by the Grace Presbyterian Church orchestra. Souvenir cards, dainty and pretty, cream and cake were served during the social hour that followed and all went home feeling it was an evening well spent and wishing many happy returns of the pleasant occasion.

**Mary F. Thomas Union**, of Richmond, with the co-operation of the ministers of the city, expects to have our National Evangelistic Superintendent, Elizabeth Greenwood, for a six days' series of meetings, to commence Tuesday, March 5. A new Branch has (for the convenience of members living in the north part of the city) been set off from the above mentioned Union. At the first meeting eleven members gave their names, two of them paying dues as new members.

**South Bend** has a new Union with eleven members. Ina Burton and another young lady, both good speakers, are preparing speeches to be delivered wherever arrangements can be made in their own county by the President and others. They are beginning a crusade for Y members.

**South Bend Y Society** is planning to have Miss Sears spend a week in their city some time in April. They will spend this time in labor and enlarging their Union. They are also planning a medal contest for March. The Goshen Y's are also planning a medal contest for March.

**Mrs. Ida Coleman** writes: "The Jay County Institute is to be held at Pennville, instead of Bryant, as announced in last MESSAGE."

**Chalmers W. C. T. U.** had Mrs. Gibson on the 5th and 6th of February. On the 5th she gave us a gospel temperance sermon, which was listened to by a very attentive audience. On the 6th she presided over a county convention which had been called for the purpose of reorganizing White County. The day meeting was full of interest. Mrs. Ella White, of Chalmers, was chosen as County President. The other officers were not changed. In the evening there was held a Silver Medal Contest. Miss Clare Stoker won the medal. The Union observed February 17 in memory of Miss Willard by holding a public meeting in the M. E. Church. Had a good crowd and an interesting program and we feel we are gaining ground.

The February meeting of Meridian Union, of Indianapolis, was of unusual interest. A discussion on "The Liquor Traffic in Our New Possessions" was ably conducted by Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Sims and Miss Lillian Smith. The home of Mrs. French, our hostess, was filled with an appreciative company. Our Union also enjoyed an evening meeting with Mrs. Frank Gipe, February 22. Dr. W. F. Curryer read an interesting paper on "Narcotics," and after a social hour refreshments were served and each guest received as a souvenir a hatchet tied with a white ribbon. We have ready about twenty comfort bags.

**Hamilton County** is without a President. South Bend is planning for Miss Kearney.

**Point Isabel Union** had Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson to lecture for them January 18. I wish to tell the Unions they will make no mistake if they get her to give her lecture entitled "Five Little Boys in Knee Pants." It is fine and to the point.

The **National Annual Leaflet** is published. Every White Ribboner should have a copy—1 cent each or 75 cents per hundred. The Study Topics will be a help to the Unions, besides other valuable information. Send to the National Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

**Mrs. Stahl**, of Hartford City, our State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, accompanied by our County President, has been with us in Nappanee for two nights and a day. We feel that their words have been a great blessing to us. Mrs. Stahl gave an account of her Alaskan experience and shipwreck, which was listened to by a large audience. Mrs. Phoenix gave an earnest and helpful talk to the children on the evil effects of alcohol on the body. The Mothers' Meeting was well attended, at which both these ladies spoke with good effect. May God's blessing rest upon all their work "In His Name." Three new members gained.

**Jonesboro Union** of twelve members meets regularly and good interest prevails. An impressive press meeting was held on February 27. Our Superintendents are anxious to know their obligations and to do all they can to lift them. Our Union will entertain the Grant County Institute this spring.

**Hartsville Union**, Bartholomew County, now one year old, has twenty paying members; meets second Thursday in each month. Meetings are well attended, with marked increase in interest. The autograph, a present to Hadley Home, is almost complete. By this plan we realized \$4, which also goes to Hadley Home.

**Rochester W. C. T. U.** and L. T. L. use the L. T. L. manuals in their regular bi-weekly meetings. The L. T. L. gave three numbers—drill, recitation and song—at the Farmers' Institute recently held in the Academy of Music. Audience, 800.

**Miss Mary B. Cox** entertained the Huntington Union with a talk on "Temperance Statesmen" on February 28. She is a talented speaker and a large attendance was attracted thereby. Nine new members were added to the roll this last week and an even greater activity is noticeable among the older members than ever before.

**Deer Creek**—We are a country Union in Grant County. Ten years ago we were organized with eight members. Now we have more than quadrupled that number, besides our thirteen honoraries. Our President, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, has held her office ten years and in that time has never missed a meeting. Mrs. Susanna Ratcliff has been Treasurer for the same length of time. We furnish our county with a President and Secretary—Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart and Mrs. Rena P. Smith.

**Marion County Institute** will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, March 20 and 21, instead of 21 and 22, as stated in the February MESSAGE. Every member in the county is urged to attend.

**Grant County** has a new Union at Hackleman, organized by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, with eleven members. Mrs. Lodema Curll is President, Miss Lulu Wilson, Secretary, and Miss Anna Edington, Treasurer.

**Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson** is engaged for a month's work in Grant County organizing Unions, attending teachers' institutes, visiting schools, lecturing, holding mothers' meetings, etc.

**Rev. Cammack-Gibson** delivered her lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," to a full house in Gas City recently. She also lectured on Scientific Temperance to over 600 pupils in the schools of Gas City on February 26.

**Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U.**, of Indianapolis, observed February 12 in memory of Frances E. Willard's heavenly birthday. Mrs. Loftin gave a very interesting paper on her private life. The Union sent \$2 to the National Treasurer for the memorial fund.

**Mrs. Jennie Erwin**, Superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art, is speaking before the Farmers' Institutes of our State, and never forgets to season her address with W. C. T. U. gospel where it is at all advisable.

#### ORGANIZATION FUND.

Mrs. Eunice Wilson, Fairmount.....	\$1.00.
Robert Wilson, ".....	1.00.
Mary Hadley, Bloomingdale.....	1.00.
Mrs. Sarah Luther, Fairmount.....	1.00.
Mrs. Ruth Peacock, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Cynthia Winslow, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Sallie Edgerton, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Mary Nottingham, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Jane H. Winslow, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Ova E. Winslow, ".....	1.00.
Mrs. Sadie Eves, Mt. Vernon.....	1.00.
Mrs. Belle Wright, Fairmount.....	1.00.
Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Indianapolis.....	1.00.
Mrs. Dr. Wright, Greensburg.....	1.00.
Dr. Wright, ".....	1.00.

Send all money for this fund to our State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.



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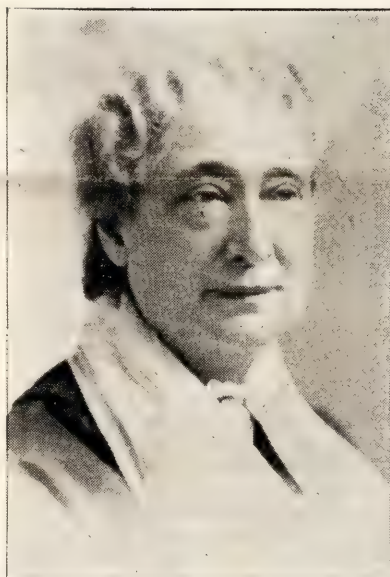
### TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

All members of a Local Union who will answer at least fifty per cent of the questions on the MESSAGE, the Annual Minutes, the *Union Signal*, and the Annual Leaflet, and a few leading questions as to what our temperance educational law requires and what can be done to secure the best enforcement of it, also similar questions pertaining to our anti-narcotic law, shall have their names printed in our Annual Minutes of 1901. Examination papers to be sent to the Recording Secretary, who will prepare the list and report the same to the convention and publish in the Minutes. This will necessitate the careful reading and study of these documents. List of questions to be published in the MESSAGE. Do not wait to begin the reading and study until the questions are given—that is not necessary.

### LIST OF QUESTIONS.

- No. 1. Does Indiana place under the head of organization all that should be there, taking the National as authority?
2. What does she leave out?
3. Who is at the head of this department in the National Union?
4. Is there a fund for its support?
5. Have any of the States two State Unions?
6. Name them.
7. Why?
8. How many colored State organizations?
9. Name them.
10. How many National organizers?
11. How many of this number came from Indiana?
12. How many organizers in our State?
13. Name them.
14. How many general divisions of our work?
15. Name them.
16. Are the departments in our State named and placed under the general divisions in exact harmony with the National?
17. Name some of the differences.
18. How many departments has the National for 1901?
19. How many departments has the State for 1901?
20. How many departments in our State have appropriations?
21. Name those which do not have any.
22. How many National departments do not have associates, lecturers, secretaries or some kind of an assistant?
23. Name them.
24. What National department is under the general National officers?
25. Has this department an appropriation?
26. How many National evangelists?
27. How many of this number from our State?
28. How many National lecturers?
29. What changes have been made in the *Union Signal*?
30. In which number of the paper were they made?
31. On which page would you look to find the name of the editor-in-chief, managing editor, etc?
32. Who is our Corresponding Editor in the *Union Signal*?
33. How many Contributing Editors to the *Signal*?
34. Name them.
35. What kind of a precious stone is recommended to be worn for a universal temperance badge?
36. Where was this recommendation published?
37. What constitutes a life patron to the National?
38. How many life patrons on the roll?
39. What constitutes a life member?
40. How many life members in the National?
41. How many life members in the State, taking the annual minutes for record?
42. How is the National temperance hospital managed?
43. What is the name proper of this hospital?
44. What the address?
45. What is its basic principle?
46. Where could we get a nurse with such training?
47. Who is President of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association?
48. Is the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association incorporated?
49. When?
50. How is the Association managed?
51. Who was president heretofore of this Association?
52. How does it directly benefit local unions?
53. Give the date of the incorporation of the national union.
54. Give the date of the incorporation of the state union.
55. What has the local unions got to do with the state constitution?
56. What number constitutes a quorum in the state?
57. Where can we find a concise statement of our principles?

58. What is the first obligation of the woman who becomes a member as defined by the constitution?
  59. What the second?
  60. What the third?
  61. Do you think either one could be left out?
  62. When did the law take effect requiring temperance teaching in the school?
  63. Have you read the law this year?
  64. Where did you find the text?
  65. Would oral teaching take the place of text books?
  66. What is the penalty if a principal or superintendent of, or teacher in any common school or educational institution, supported wholly or in part by money from the state, who willfully refuses or neglects to give the instruction required by this act?
  67. What else is required of them aside from the teaching?
  68. What would be necessary to enforce the law?
  69. Whose special duty is it to see that the cigarette law is enforced?
  70. Has the W. C. T. U. done all it should have done for the enforcement of this school and cigarette law?
  71. What does one issue of the MESSAGE cost each individual woman?
  72. Does that amount pay the editor, business manager, printer, Uncle Samuel's postage and all incidentals?
  73. Give the motto of our state and national paper.
  74. Who is the state paper published by?
  75. Who selects the editor and business manager?
- Please consider this list of questions cannot be published again.



MRS. ZERELDA G. WALLACE, FIRST PRESIDENT INDIANA W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Wallace was the possessor of many noble and heroic qualities, of elevated mind, sterling integrity, courageous patriotism and generous spirit—womanly in every thought and impulse. By virtue of her social position and rare mental qualities Mrs. Wallace might have been a social leader, but that kind of glory was not to her taste. She cared for society only as she found in it men and women of grand ideas and splendid purposes.

Mrs. Wallace was the moving spirit and first President of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union. For many years, under her leadership, it largely thought its thoughts after that great brain and its heart-beats caught the rhythm of her restless pulsings of life and love.

With untrained workers and little financial strength this woman, with her wonderful clearness of vision, was able to see the end from the beginning. She organized, encouraged and inspired her comrades. She infused loyalty into the ranks by her own loyalty—loyalty to husband, children, loyalty to the thing she believed, loyalty to the principles of the W. C. T. U., loyal to total abstinence, whether at the festal board, or in the medicine closet; loyalty to Christ. She recognized the saloon as a part of a great system which is protected by law and entrenched in the Government. She urged the use of every available implement of warfare against the saloon, meanwhile seeking for this purpose the ballot.

The W. C. T. U. of Indiana, with its large membership, its widespread influence and its remarkable achievements, is to day a monument to Mrs. Wallace's broad conception of the need of the homes of our State and Nation, to her indomitable courage and to her executive ability. Frances Willard said Zerelda G.

Wallace was Indiana's Deborah. She is promoted, but Deborahs are needed to day to battle against that modern Sisera, the rum power. Mother Wallace, as the White Ribboners loved to call her, was a noble specimen of royal motherhood. The home is safer, the world is better, because she lived. She has made for herself a monument in the hearts of her countrywomen.

The Bible was the foundation of all her education and culture. At the age of twelve she had committed it to memory as far as the Book of Chronicles. Later in life she said: "The broader my views grow and the more knowledge of the philosophy of human life I gain, the stronger is my faith in the Bible, and the firmer is my belief that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

Mrs. Wallace had versatility and life and pursuit equaled by perhaps no other woman of her century, and few in the world's history. She was in succession, wife, stepmother, mother, mistress of the gubernatorial mansion of a great state, later a widow with young helpless children, a home maker, a home keeper, organizer and official head of a State woman's organization, a successful lecturer in an unpopular field, and still young after a life of over four score years. A woman whose children rise up and call her blessed and to whose memory those interested in the uplift of humanity delight to pay tribute. She has not lived in vain. Faith in God and the ultimate triumph of the right was the keynote to the character of this great woman. God was real to her and therefore she was real.

### Y. W. C. T. U.

We come again to you through the MESSAGE. How we love our State paper and what a help it is to us—a letter to all the five hundred and forty-four members in Indiana.

The following Unions paid dues the second quarter: Bedford, Burlington, Anderson, Willard, South Bend, Martinsville, Monrovia, Lochiel and Otterbein. Eight out of the thirty-two Unions. Treasurers, are you doing all you can to collect the dues? If not, remember June 15 is the close of the third quarter and do your best.

Hammond has a new Y Union, with Miss Alice Palmer as their leader.

State Y Secretary spent seventeen days in the field. Visiting Indianapolis, the way was opened for four meetings, besides an opportunity to talk for the Y work at the Institute. Several names were secured in West Indianapolis and trust a Y may be organized soon.

Bedford Y's held a conference on Friday evening, the 22d, and on Saturday afternoon. The programs were fine. Good audiences greeted the young folks and music, recitations, papers and all were a credit to the local workers.

Monday evening the Y's gave a reception in honor of Miss Sears, at the home of Mrs. Dr. McDonald. A large company was present and enjoyed music and refreshments, the evening passing away all too swiftly.

Five Mothers' Meetings were held, one each afternoon in homes of Mrs. Dobbins and Mrs. Fred. Morton and at the German Methodist Church, Baptist and M. E. Churches. In this way one hundred and ninety women were reached.

Bedford high school and eight grades were visited by Miss Sears, who talked a few minutes to the school children—the citizens of to morrow.

Next place visited was Robinson, Greene County, where Miss Sears gave a temperance address at 2 o'clock P. M., on Sabbath. A large audience was present and thirty-eight signed the pledge.

Dear Y's, double your membership by June 15. Remember this is the month that we hold our public meeting—the Frances Z. Barnes evening—and take up an offering for the world's Y work. Send to me all money received for this work and I will forward it to Mrs. Barnes.

Anderson Y's are looking forward with much pleasure to the coming of Miss Bell Karney to lecture April 9. Be much in prayer, dear girls, these days, and work with a will to help other young women and men to be pure and clean is the earnest wish of your Secretary of Y. W. C. T. U.

CLARA M. SEARS.

The memorial meeting held in honor of Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace was the second meeting of the kind ever held by the women of Indianapolis. The first was that great meeting held in memory of our dear Miss Frances E. Willard. Thus women are beginning to pay tribute to women. At Miss Willard's funeral no black crepe was used. She was dressed in white, and rested in a lavender colored casket. The decorations were all in white. This plan is followed by our White Ribbon friends. In the near future black will no longer be used at the funerals of christians, and the fashion of wearing it for mourning will cease.







## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

There is so much that ought to be accomplished in the Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication this year that none of us can afford to be disinterested. Before this, all County Presidents and Superintendents, so far as I have their names, have received the Plan of Work for 1901, and I trust every one receiving the same, if unable to do any work in that line, will see that it is placed in the hands of some worker that is interested and that can work. We can not do better than to follow the Plan of Work as sent out by our National Superintendent just as closely as possible. If you remember, it was voted at the National Convention to make work against alcohol as a medicine, a special effort in the opening of the new century, and all members are asked to do everything in their power to help this work. Let us keep abreast of our sister states. Will every officer see that her Union falls in line? Will every Union provide the "Twentieth Century Appeal" to send to every physician in the County? Also see that each physician gets one of the leaflets, "Alcohol not needed in Medicine." Please forward the names of all County and Local Superintendents that they may be supplied with helps. Study the Plan of Work and talk Non-Alcoholic Medication whenever you have an opportunity. Distribute leaflets liberally and discreetly.

L. F. JESSOP SMITH,  
State Superintendent.

## DEPARTMENT OF MERCY.

It is a pleasure to state that interest in the work of this department seems to steadily increase. The new Contest book, for which we are indebted to Miss Emma E. Page, of Olympia, Wash., has already helped greatly. I am anxious that the book should go to every Union. It costs only 10 cents and may be ordered of Mrs. A. E. Carman, 291 Oakley Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Mercy contests should be held. The children are certain to be interested and great good will result. Public schools occasionally have entertainments. Why not suggest that these sometimes take the form of a Mercy contest? Local Superintendents, please note this. A Mercy contest will develop more humane sentiment in one evening than other methods may in a year, and the development of this sentiment is an absolutely indispensable factor in the civilization of the world. We pray for the coming of God's kingdom and we must also help it to come.

And now a word to Local Superintendents about reporting. Some of you are so busy that you do not stop to set anything down or add anything up that is done during the year. This is a great pity. I wish I could make you all understand what a mistake it is; how your defection spoils the reports of County, State and National Superintendents, and how you deprive others of the stimulus which the figures you withhold would give. Vague statements do not give encouragement. Figures and the statement of interesting facts do. Keep a pencil and note-book; consult the questions on the report blank during the year, and set down all that will answer them.

To the local Superintendent who sends at the end of the year the best report I will give a prize of \$5. To the State Superintendent who gives the best report I will give a prize of \$10. Do you not want to help the work by aiming for this prize? Even if you do not win the money and help the work in that way the effort will be beneficial.

I am always ready to receive letters from anyone, answer questions and send samples of literature gratuitously to those really interested and intending to help. Will you help?

MARY F. LOVELL,  
World's and National Superintendent.

## FLOWER MISSION.

June 9 is Flower Mission Day. At that time, or one or two days after, every Union in the entire State should do something definite to carry the gospel of Christ to the "shut ins" of their community or elsewhere.

The following Unions are requested to send flowers, Scripture text cards and literature to the Reformatory at Jeffersonville: Hanover, Madison, Rising Sun, Moore's Hill, Aurora, Dillsboro, North Vernon, Hyde, Seymour, Lexington, New Albany, Galena, Elizabeth, Marengo, Alton, Rome, Tobinsport, Rockport, Newbury, Howell, Evansville, Princeton, Owensville, Cynthiana, Mt. Vernon, Jeffersonville. Good books and magazines should be solicited for gifts on Flower Mission Day. In each Union a library committee should be appointed, with the Flower Mission Superintendent for a member. Each book should be stamped with the words "Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Flower Mission Loan Library." A rubber stamp for this purpose can be obtained for a small sum.

If but two books be taken to jails, reformatories and almshouses with the flowers, text cards and leaflets, they will be read until worn out. Those used to loan to the sick will serve as a blessing to many.

For the Boys' Reform School, at Plainfield, books would be greatly appreciated. In the next issue of the MESSAGE definite plans will be given as to whom all gifts intended for the State institutions should be sent. Meanwhile, be sure and purchase text cards, get tin foil, ribbon, books and old magazines and as many subscriptions to religious, philanthropic and scientific newspapers and periodicals promised as possible. Make arrangements with county institution superintendents for the observance of the day and prepare and publish program early. Secure musicians

as well as speakers. Send for text cards to the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, LaSalle and Monroe streets, Chicago, Ill. Price, 25 cents per hundred.

## LITERATURE.

I have sent out to each County and Local Superintendent of Literature, whose name I have, a bundle of the leaflet, "Bread on the Waters," a new leaflet in the Literary Department. If you are a Superintendent of this department and have not received any please send your name and address (please mention County), and I will send you some for distribution. We must push this department, for it is mainly through it that we can reasonably hope for success along other lines of this department work. I trust that the counties that sent in no report last year will make a great effort to have a good report this year and that the others will strive to have a better report than ever before. If you are a County Superintendent and have not yet sent me a list of your Local Superintendents, please do so AT ONCE.

MRS. ETTA AYRES,  
State Superintendent.

## PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

In the last MESSAGE some one kindly said, "Mrs. Jennie Irwin, in speaking before Farmers' Institutes, never forgets to season her address with W. C. T. U. gospel whenever it is advisable." May I add that it is always advisable. If the theme be house sanitation where could one better work in the do-everything policy? I know of no work but that some branch of our work just fits in there. In sorting potatoes this morning, I saw plainly the danger of a clean, sound tuber staying beside a vile one, and more and more will I strive to keep the clean, healthy children away from the unsound book and polluting picture; for as with the potato as with each human being, we are injured with the proximity of evil, whether we will it or not.

"The touch of evil corrupteth;  
Tarry not in its track.  
The grass where the serpent crawls  
Is stirred as if it grew on its back."

And when our eyes are opened to see that the home we stand for, with its unutterable sacredness reaches as far as any child can wander, we will then see that when we have a home we have a field of labor worthy our best. And hearts must yearn the more for those who have no homes or one that is kept by a mother who does not see the sacredness of her calling. If we are not truer wives, better mothers, brighter homemakers then we have not received the baptism of the W. C. T. U.

I receive many letters asking about our State law regarding impure literature and pictures. In Burns' Revised Statute of 1894, Vol. 3, Sec. 2096-2083, we have a good law not since repealed. If every parent would let the venders of these things know they knew the law and expected them to respect it, it would go far towards bringing about the end we desire. But it seems best to do and say things as quietly as possible, we do so dread bringing evil into prominence.

Let us sow good seed. It is the only way to keep weeds from growing. One day a grocer hung in his store a tobacco sign. We did not think it modest, so a few women of our Union went in, one at a time, made a purchase and looked at the picture. The next day it was gone. Not a word had been said.

Dear sisters, let us keep our own lives so clean that where we are, uncleanness disappears. This is our prime work. Paul knew when he said, "Whatever things are pure, etc., etc." I want so much to say more, but know our MESSAGE columns are always overcrowded. But I do want to express the gratitude of many people when I thank you for a glimpse of the kind, honest face of Addison Hadley

JENNIE C. IRWIN,  
State Superintendent.

## SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' DEPARTMENT.

In the February number of the MESSAGE we called the attention of the white ribboners to the urgent need for comfort bags among the soldiers and sailors and offered a Department Prize to the county sending the largest number of them to the National Superintendent before September 15, 1901, and notifying me of the same.

Since the late passage of the Anti-canteen law the rations granted to the individual soldier have been somewhat diminished, and our duty to administer to his needs and comforts seem greater than ever before. If your Union has not taken up this work will you not lovingly undertake it now?

I desire also to call your especial attention to the importance of notifying me of the number of these bags which you have filled and sent. Some Unions have already sent bags who have not reported the number. Your inadvertent neglect to do this may cause your County to fail in receiving the prize. Do not make this mistake. A word to the wise is sufficient.

JULIA OVERMAN,  
State Superintendent.

## FRANCHISE.

Our dear and honored Mother Wallace slipped quietly away from the care of Dr. Diet, Dr. Quiet and Dr. Goodcare a few days since, and under the eye of the Great Physician (who has the keys of death) passed into the realms of immortal glory. Her great works and great thoughts remain for our admonition and instruction.

The great work of the Indiana Congress, just closed,

was to pass the Woman's Equality Bill in the House and kill it in the Senate—the exact reverse of what the congress of Indiana did two years since. The women were flattered, but the enemies of moral reform knew they had gained their desired determination to rule.

Will the County Superintendents of Suffrage take notice? Gather up all petitions that have not already been sent in and return them to my address as soon as possible. I must turn them all over to Mrs. Florence Gresham, State Superintendent of Legislation and Petition.

Now, our business is to persuade all women to want the ballot and to persuade all men to give us the ballot. The way to persuade is by educating public sentiment through the press and by public lectures, franchise literature and personal influence. Women, use the newspapers. I stand ready to furnish articles for the press to every one who will apply to me for them. Let us make marked inroads this year on the minds of the men and women of Indiana in favor of woman's equality before the law.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

A Press Social served to call forth the originality of Miss Pearl Rall, our Press representative in Huntington. The affair was a success in the completest sense of the word, an artistic and instructive program being carried out. Miss Willard's book, "How I Learned to Ride a Bicycle," was awarded as a prize in Press contest which followed. Press clippings and other novel decorations suggestive of the press were prominent.

Mrs. Nellie Ward, of Mt. Vernon, writes: "We are encouraged, fifteen members paid \$1.00 dues this quarter. Rev. Anna Shaw is to be with us tomorrow and Sunday. A Good Citizen League was organized here which resulted in the closing of all the stores and saloons on three Sundays, except one bakery and confectionery run by one man. He was indicted and tried and found not guilty. Christian people are discouraged.—[It is time for a citizens' ticket, we think, at Mt. Vernon and the election of new officers not dominated by the liquor power.—EDITOR.]

Mt. Vernon Union had the help of two lectures by Rev. Anna Shaw, March 23 and 24. Sold tickets.

Broad Ripple Union held a silver medal contest March 29, with a class of five girls, Goldie Hesson receiving the medal. Subject, "On Which Side." One year's subscription to the Contest Journal, awarded as second prize, to Ora Harcourt. \$10.30 for Hadley Industrial School.

Frankfort had a contest March 11. Receipts, \$16.10 for Organization Fund. Amount previously reported, \$15. Elkhart Union, Elkhart, \$1.00; Ancil Winslow, Fairmount, \$1.00; Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount, \$1.00; Mrs. Elmira Luse, Fairmount, \$1.00; Mrs. Hattie Steekel, Mulberry, \$5.00. Total, \$24.00.

Burlington Union sent a valuable box to the school about Xmas time.

Winchester, with County and Local President and Local Secretary sick, have made most excellent plans for their Institute. Had 1000 extra programs printed. Took adds to pay for them, and put a handsome amount in their treasury. They expect a full house at the gold medal contest.

Every Union should send to our State Superintendent of Franchise, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, for her new booklet, "The Gain of a Century," and read and discuss it in your Union.

Noble County will take Allen County dates for Institute, as Allen County has voted not to hold an Institute.

Changes in Posey County—The former County President, Mrs. Eva Evertson, is now Solicitor for Hadley Industrial School, and the following officers for the County and the Mt. Vernon Local Union have been recently elected: County officers—President, Mrs. Nellie Ward, Mt. Vernon; Vice-President, Mrs. Hattie Marvel, Cynthiana; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Della Smith, Mt. Vernon; Treasurer, Mrs. Rhoda Hiskey, Mt. Vernon. Mt. Vernon Union—President, Miss Inez McGregor; Vice-President, Mrs. Janie Calkins; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Grace Edson; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Della Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Fannie Sarlls. It means something when as faithful and efficient a woman as Mrs. Evertson leaves a county. We are thankful there are others who can take her place. The County has conferred a favor on the State.

The Annual Leaflet of the National W. C. T. U. is now ready—55,000 of them. Every up to date woman will want one. They are sold by Mrs. Helen M. Barker, the National Treasurer, Evanston, Ill., at 1 cent each or 75 cents per hundred, to help meet the expense of transportation. The Study Topics will be of value to the Unions, as well as other helps found in the latter part of the leaflet. All new Unions and the old ones that are not thoroughly well informed about the work should follow the Study Topics. Having done that, there will be something along special lines ready for them. Oh for an army of intelligent temperance warriors!

The churches no longer represent the Prince of Peace; that they are the loudest to roar in behalf of war—as is plainly proven in the present American invasion of the Philippines and in the British hostilities against the Boers.—Indiana Royal Arch News. (Liquor Dealers' Organ.)



## FIELD NOTES.

**Miss Leebrick**, of Sims, writes: "I am glad to tell you the *Signals* have arrived and we hope will do much good in the families which they enter. We have had a contest for the Hadley Home. Every one said, 'The children did well.' Also had a public meeting the 17th of February for the Memorial Fund. All felt it was good to be there. We gained one new member."

**Mrs. Elizabeth Drake** represented the Indiana W. C. T. U. Anti-Narcotic Department at the National Anti-Cigarette League Convention, which met in the Palmer House, February 28 and March 1. Eighteen States sent adult delegates, while 60 young people delegates from the leagues of various States made a good showing of active work accomplished. Mr. Drake was appointed a National Organizer, thus placing the men in the field. Mrs. Drake on way home visited the Bourbon schools at the invitation of Mrs. Jennie Erwin and secured over 25 members, making the leagues in various grades, and appointed a Board of Trustees, which promises hearty support in this work. The teachers cheerfully instruct the leagues. We visited Anti-Cigarette League's News Boys' Alley, Penny Lunch Counter, the Rescue Home and Monthly Rally at Willard Hall, the Temple, and one of the large store leagues, all conducted by the Anti-Cigarette League.

The following telegram received: Mrs. Palmer's Police Matron bill passed House 75 to 1; passed Senate 28 to 11. Signed by Governor.

Yours, A. W. DUDLEY,  
Representative.

Miss Alice R. Palmer, of Hammond, writes: "Greetings. We are tired, but happy. Our Institute has been beset by storms and sickness, yet in the good Providence of God, blessed with many excellent results. Our club to the *Union Signal* has been augmented, and best of all, perhaps, twenty-two members added to our Local Union. Miss Hadley has given the County and Local 'heaps of information,' and she is, perhaps, the most successful personal worker I have ever gone through an Institute with. I think she is very strong at that point. I am very loth to take the work of County President, which has been conferred upon me. The outlook is that if something is not accomplished in Lake County, which we all admit is a hard county, it will be largely my fault."

**Mooreville** held an echo meeting February 25, in the M. E. Church. The Pastor, Rev. H. S. Headen, and his wife, were prominent on the program. Dr. Maria Jessup, Friendswood, delegate to the National Convention, reported the meeting very charmingly. Mrs. Mattie Chandler, County President, read a paper on "Woman's Ballot; from a Bible Standpoint." Mrs. Sellars sang a solo, "My Boy." Bertha Morgan, Annie Byers, Zella Chandler and Lillian Chapman gave recitations. The meeting was a fine success.

**Mrs. Ada L. Squires** and little Emma have given two temperance programs before the Y. M. C. A. of Terre Haute. Mrs. Squires finds the churches open to her, and an invitation to come again greets her wherever she goes.

**Burlington Union** is still at work. We have been distributing a great deal of literature the last month, during the protracted meetings, hoping to be able to get the people to help us and also to support our papers.

**Mrs. Margaret Smith**, County President, writes: Bath Union has finished paying out upon the last year's plan of 36 cents per member to the Hadley Industrial School. The L. T. L. gave a contest and sent the net proceeds—\$8.68.

An Appeal to Mothers, in leaflet form, by Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, should be read by mothers and daughters. Price per package of ten, 10 cents; of package of fifty, 25 cents. Send direct to Mrs. Stahl.

**Benton County Institute** will meet at Oxford instead of Lochiel, May 2 and 3. A good attendance from all the Unions is desired. The county convention will be held on the morning of the 3d, at which all business may be presented and plans for the work for the remainder of the year perfected. At that meeting the County President will resign, as she will soon leave the county, and some one must be elected to fill the unexpired term. Let us all work for this to be the best institute in our history.

ELIZA F. BAKER,  
County President.

The temperance people of **Dillsboro** have been successful in securing a majority of names on the fourth remonstrance circulated since December 1, and have filed a power of attorney against further applications. This crusade was started two years ago by the women of the W. C. T. U., who were soon reinforced by other temperance workers, and the movement has grown until now we are an earnest, consecrated band, firmly established against intemperance.

The **L. T. L. Contest at Burlington**, March 21, was quite a success. Dolly Hill received the medal, seven little girls being in the contest.

The **LaFayette Union** meets semi-monthly and always serves light refreshments. Have beautiful new programs and the meetings are interesting. A returned missionary from Syria was present at the last meeting and told us of how intemperance was being introduced there by Americans, and urged that we women use our influence to have importation of liquor stopped. Neal Dow's birthday was observed last

Sunday in a public meeting at Willard Hall, in connection with the LaFayette Temperance Union. Our Jail and Prison Superintendent is doing good work. Every Sunday a religious meeting is held at the jail and the men who attend appreciate them and are respectful and attentive.

A mass meeting in honor of Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace was held by Indianapolis women at the Propylaeum Thursday afternoon, April 4. Many beautiful and touching tributes were paid to the memory of our comrade who was recently promoted.

The **Hadley Industrial School** greatly needs the following list of useful articles: Table cloths, napkins, hand towels, dish towels, sheets for single beds, pillow case muslin, gingham for aprons, combs, ivory soap, small mirrors, scissors, thread, hair ribbons and many other small items. For the dining table there is great need of good common dishes—especially do they need knives, forks and spoons. The silver plated is inexpensive and a half dozen of either cost but little. Please send some soon. Recently a spoon was used while eating there, by some one, because of the limited supply of knives and forks.

**Miss Mary Hadley** organized a Union of eight members at East Chicago, March 22 and a Y branch of twelve members at Hammond the same day. Six subscriptions were taken for the *Union Signal*. Officers of East Chicago Union: President, Mrs. S. H. Poor; Vice-President, Mrs. I. K. Ladd; Secretary, Mrs. Eva D. Fratas; Treasurer, Mrs. C. C. Smith.

**Mr. Harry H. Neal**, of Logansport, died about the middle of March in Denver, Col., where he had gone for his health. By the terms of his will, when probated, he bequeaths to the Logansport Home of the Friendless his entire property, worth about \$25,000. It consists of railroad bonds, bank stock, mortgages, cash and some real estate. The Home of the Friendless was established six years ago by the W. C. T. U. It is managed by a board of nine women, assisted by a board of trustees of nine men. The gift of Mr. Neal was a great surprise to the managers. They have no knowledge of his having taken any interest in the Home during his life, but he resided near the institution. The Home has been managed since its origin by virtually the same persons and officers. Mrs. E. L. Grable has been its President from the start. The present officers are as follows: Lady managers—Mrs. E. L. Grable, President; Mrs. S. E. Howe, Vice-President; Mrs. John Troutman, Secretary; Mrs. Jane Cornwell, Treasurer; Mrs. W. F. Giffe, Mrs. D. L. Oberholser, Mrs. James Smith, Mrs. Chas. Knauss, Mrs. VanBuskirk. Board of Trustees—B. C. D. Read, President; E. S. Rice, Henry Tucker, John E. Barns, Q. A. Myers, W. T. Wilson, Carl Wise, J. E. Crain and Dr. J. Z. Powell.

**Lake County Institute** was held at Hammond. Mrs. Harrison's account of the organization of the Lowell Union with fifteen members last year and it having increased to forty, was encouraging. By its influence a curfew law is in operation. The wearing of the white ribbon as a protest against the saloon was urged. Much interest was manifested in discussions of the needs of anti-narcotic work, Mothers' Meetings, laws promoting equal suffrage, the teaching of temperance in schools. The presence of Rev. Alice Palmer, the minister of the Congregational Church, added much to the interest of the Institute. Accessions to membership, twenty-two—fifteen active and seven honorary. Miss Hadley's illustrated lecture on Narcotics, on the first evening, was very instructive and interesting. The County President, Miss Alice Stahl, presided with dignity and grace. Much interest and enthusiasm prevailed. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. Alice Palmer, Hammond; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Solon Hayden, Lowell; Treasurer, Mrs. T. S. Fuller; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. D. Coffin.

**Rev. Anna Shaw** attended the Lake County Institute at Hammond and gave an address on Franchise. It was able, logical and entertaining.

**Beautiful Resolutions**, typewritten, have been received from the Lake County Institute, held at Hammond, but for lack of space they cannot be published now—only three hundred words being allowed for each County report.

The **Evansville West Side Union** held a silver medal contest March 16. There were eight contestants, all of whom did well. The medal was won by Miss Minnie Craft. An orchestra furnished the instrumental music and vocal solos were rendered. One of the pleasing features of the program was a drill by sixteen pupils. The women of this Union deserve great credit for the splendid success of the program and large attendance. A farewell reception was given Mrs. Anna Lewis, President of the West Side Union, by the members of the Union, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Stinchfield. Vocal and instrumental music was rendered during the evening. Ices and cakes were served. Mrs. Lewis and family leave us for a home in Louisiana. May God prosper them in their new home.

**Mrs. Martha W. Bond**, our former State Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, thus writes to the editor: "During the fall and winter I received numerous letters from new County and Local officers of S. T. I., asking for copies of our Scientific Temperance law and for instruction in regard to plans of work for this department. Many of these letters I answered, sending literature I had on hand. To others I have been unable to reply, separately, and beg

the privilege of doing so through the columns of the MESSAGE. It is unfortunate that my name appears in the State Minutes as Superintendent of this department, while ill health compelled me to resign some time since. I suggest that you give in this number of the MESSAGE a copy of this law for the benefit of new County and Local officers. I also suggest that our State Treasurer, with money appropriated for this department, have copies of this law printed in leaflet form to supply, liberally, each County and Local officer for distribution among teachers, trustees and parents. Also that they be liberally supplied with reports of the recent controversy on the food properties of alcohol, as well as a report of the recent educational association held in Chicago. Let all who wish literature for information, or for distribution, send to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull street, Boston, who is the Mother of this department and the author of most of its literature. She has gained a notable victory in the recent agitation; scientists and physicians came nobly to her assistance."

**Mrs. Mary C. Kemp** sent in a list of twenty-two names as subscribers to the *Union Signal* from Carmel, a village in Hamilton County. Temperance Day there in February was a success. The program was good and was enjoyed by the largest audience on a temperance occasion for many months. The Y's and C. E.'s assisted in the meeting.

**Mrs. Laura Cole, Phoenix**, President of Elkhart County, writes: "Mrs. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, came into Elkhart County February 25, began seeding down the field with prayer and endeavor, at Nappanee, holding one day and two evening meetings there. At New Paris a revival meeting necessitated day meetings. Our hearts were gladdened the second afternoon by the presence of sixteen Goshen white ribboners. The wave of interest reached its highest altitude at Goshen. A very enthusiastic Mothers' Meeting in Goshen, and organization of a Union at North Goshen effected. No one but laborers in the world's vast harvest field, where the icy crust of indifference meets us on every hand, among professing christians, can realize with what joy we recognized in the Mothers' Meeting at Goshen, two New Paris white ribboners. A thaw making the roads impassable to foot travelers caused a very small attendance at the country place of Dunlaps. Dunlaps has had a wonderful deliverance from the reign of evil and ought to become one of the strongest Unions in the county. I ask every white ribboner in the State to pray that Dunlaps may not be like King Ahab, 'busy here and there,' and let God's opportunity pass unheeded by I. Kings, xx chapter. A blizzard and very cold weather kept the people of Elkhart from attending. Bristol was ready with a warm welcome and 'held up our hands' most effectually. Middlebury was reached March 7, which completed the itinerancy. Mrs. Stahl gave nine lectures and held seven Mothers' Meetings. Twelve members and one honorary added to our county roster, besides the ten names that had already been secured for the Union at North Goshen. Mrs. Stahl is a very convincing speaker, because she believes in what she says, 'with all her might, mind and strength,' which is a better open sesame to hearts than mannerisms of elocution and flowers of philology. It was indeed a blessed association that we had together; and although the cry of my heart over my county is like the dear Savior's over Jerusalem, yet I feel sure the seed sown has fallen 'upon good ground,' and pray that it may 'bring forth sixty and some an hundred fold.'"

**Professor and Mrs. J. W. Davison**, of Evansville, Ind., have returned from a month's trip through the southern states. They report a growing interest in temperance work.

The four **Unions of Vanderburg County** gave a book social in Evans' hall on March 21. A book case was donated and many books were given. The object of the social was to start a jail library.

The **Press Reporter for Cambellsburg Union**, Mrs. Viletta Brown, writes a letter of exhortation to Unions in general to be enthusiastic in the work and make the meetings interesting. They rejoice over a year's good work and have a public entertainment and contest for the near future planned. They have twenty-six active members, and some of them are chalk talkers and all willing workers. They gain members at every meeting. February 8, the Union was royally entertained at the home of the Vice-President, Mrs. Mollie Wilkins. Their Union is divided into two sections, striving to see which section will gain the most members in a limited time.

**Upland Union** has a class of boys. They gave a very successful contest March 11. Door receipts, 15.20; \$12 sent to our Industrial School.

## IN MEMORIAM.

On January 23, 1901, death entered our Pleasant Lake Union for the first time and removed from our midst Mrs. Dora Tuttle, one of our best loved members. We as W. C. T. U. sisters wish to express our deepest sympathy to the husband and sons in this time of great bereavement. She was an example of the true and beautiful and was deeply devoted to her home and family.

WHEREAS, God in his providence has removed from her work on earth, our friend and co-worker, we do adopt the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That while we bow with submission to the will of the Allwise Father, we do mourn the loss of our faithful sister exceedingly.

*Resolved*, That we praise God for raising up such a sincere, earnest woman as sister Tuttle, to work in our beloved cause of temperance.

*Resolved*, That this tribute of our love and respect be placed upon our record, published in the State and County papers, and sent to the family of the deceased.

MARY FERRIS,  
LIZZIE FEGLEY,  
SARAH STATLER,  
Committee.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MUCH OF THE SUCCESS OF A UNION DEPENDS UPON THE EFFICIENCY OF THE TREASURER.

## GUIDE-POSTS OF THE FOOT-PATH TO PEACE ON THE WAY FROM BETHANY TO HEAVEN.

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends, and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can, with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors—these are little guide-posts on the footpath to peace.—*Henry van Dyke.*

The Indiana State W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Kokomo October, 4-9. Prof. John B. DeMotte will give his famous stereopticon lecture, "The Harp of the Senses," on Saturday evening. He is accorded the first place as a popular lecturer in the four great lecture courses of the world. For five years we have tried to secure him for our State Convention. This lecture is along our line.

The National W. C. T. U. convention this year will be held at Ft. Worth, Texas. Begin now to plan to attend.

## INDIANA W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT BOARD MEETING.

Will be held at Central Christian Church, Seventh street, Columbus, June 4, 5 and 6.

Program Committee—President of the Board, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 North Capitol avenue, Indianapolis; Secretary of the Board, Mrs. Julia Overman, 1802 South Bronson street, Marion; Treasurer of Board, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru.

They have spared no pains in getting out this program, which will be sent out even before you receive this MESSAGE, perhaps. We ask all County and Local officers to consider how much the work will gain by County and Local Superintendents of departments attending this meeting. Each superintendent has fifteen minutes to talk of her work, its aims and methods (not to report), and there will be fifteen minutes open parliament for questions and answers and discussion for each department. If you cannot go for three days, go the day your special department is on the program.

Miss Carrie Stout, Columbus, is Chairman of Entertainment Committee. Lunch at noon will be served in the church. Miss Belle Kearney, Flora, Miss., speaks the first night. A collection. Grand gold Suffrage Medal Contest the second night—10 cents admission. The third evening will be platform night. Music for the meeting in charge of our Musical Director, Mrs. D. E. Studebaker, assisted by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger and local talent.

## EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Committee met in Fairmount, April 9 and 10. The first session convened at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 9th, and devotions were led by Miss Alice R. Palmer. Mrs. Charlotte Sears, Superintendent of Work Among Colored People, tendered her resignation, and Miss Susan H. Clark, of 536 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, was appointed to fill the vacancy the remainder of the year. Mrs. Shelt, Superintendent of Systematic Giving, also offered her resignation, which was received, and Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute, fills her place the remainder of the year.

Mrs. Lida Outland, President of Howard County, extended an invitation to the committee for the annual convention to be held in Kokomo. This invitation was most heartily received. The time was fixed for October 4-9, subject to the program committee. Recommended that Prof. DeMotte be secured, if available, for the lecture at the State Convention.

On motion of Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, Mrs. McWhirter was made Railroad Secretary.

On motion of Mrs. Whitson, advance sheets of the Superintendents' reports were directed to be printed previous to convention, for circulation thereat, and no reports to be received after convention.

Mrs. Balch moved that the Superintendents, at the close of their reports, shall offer in writing such resolution, or resolutions, as they desire embodied in their recommendations.

After much discussion the sense of the committee was given on the subject of young men becoming full members in the Y Unions. It was voted to allow them full privileges in the local Union, except that of presidency, which would violate the constitution.

Mrs. Teats, National Lecturer on Purity, desiring appointments in our State, the matter was left with

Mrs. Balch to make dates, if agreeable to the Unions.

The Bulletin of the National Press Department was recommended for press superintendents.

Moved by Mrs. Balch, that we accept the recommendation of Miss Willard and consider the wisdom of appointing honorary vice-presidents. This question will be considered at the ante-convention executive committee meeting.

Ordered by vote that solicitors for the Industrial School shall be members of the W. C. T. U., wear the white ribbon and solicit in the name of the W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Balch reported twelve new Union organizers not in the field for lack of funds. Work done by County Presidents.

Mrs. Whitson, State Treasurer, was directed to send copies of the annual report to the Institutes and they shall be sold for 15 cents. Furthermore, it was suggested that an effort be made to shorten the annual reports and that reports shall not exceed 700 words.

The new plan for placing the State paper in the hands of our members is a charming as well as a most practical success, 3,000 copies of the paper going into the homes of White Ribboners.

The following standing committees were appointed: Resolutions—Miss Alice Palmer, Hammond; Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexandria; Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville; Sarah E. Thomas, Marion; Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.

Seating Convention—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend; Miss Clara Sears, Anderson; Mrs. M. L. Gipe, Indianapolis.

Overflow Meetings—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore; Mrs. Hendry Wooton, Kokomo.

Sabbath Meetings—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis; Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

Plan of Work Committee not yet complete. Will appear later.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,  
Recording Secretary.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

The following Y Unions observed the Frances J. Barnes meeting given in the good National program and also in the State Y program. Peru sent \$2.00 as their freewill offering for the world's work, Vincennes \$1.00, Anderson \$1.00. We hope to hear from other Unions soon, as their money must be sent to the World's custodian.

The State Y Secretary, Miss Sears, on account of serious sickness, was obliged to disappoint the Y conference held in connection with Morgan County Institute, also Indianapolis, where some dates were planned, and at present writing she cannot sit up all day. Pray for her speedy recovery, dear girls; so much work to be done, you see. How much can you do just now?

Miss Ethel McWhirter, our State Superintendent of Flower Missions, requests that at each meeting all the members be asked to report work done in the department; so a record can be kept. Let us help in every way that our Superintendent suggests and please don't forget the Flower Mission Day, June 9th. Plan for it. On April 15th Rev. Edwin J. Oliver, a member of the Peru Y, was killed instantly by a train. Peru Y's sorrow is our sorrow, and for the heart-broken young lady to whom he was to have been married our sympathy goes out, and may our Heavenly Father watch over her tenderly is our prayer.

Goshen Y's held a silver medal contest, and as there was a tie, Joy Bechtel and Zoa Shafer each received a medal. The program was fine, vocal and instrumental music helping very much. Mr. Davis, the Superintendent, is planning to take the class to Middlebury, New Paris and Dunlap. We do hope our Y's will do more work in this department the next few months.

Now, dear Treasurer, again let me urge you to collect and be ready for the third quarter's dues by June 15. Begin to collect right away.

Double your membership, girls. See which Union can gain ten new paid members by the 15th of June. Who'll try to be first?

When Y's sent their \$1.00 toward Convention fund, making \$2.00 in all, Monrovia being the first to give.

Work and pray, girls; the enemy is making headway in our great State, sidetracking our young people, so do your best for the rest of this year.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## L. T. L. ORGANIZATION.

Mrs. Hattie Brand writes: "I was instructed at the State Convention to give special attention to L. T. L. organization. I have been pushing the department at the Institutes, but find that the old obstacle, lack of leaders, still remains. The most encouraging thing I have to report, is that I have taken a large number of orders for the senior edition of L. T. L. Manuals, and Unions are promising to take up the study. This must mean better things for the future."

Before the June MESSAGE is received by you the Treasurer of your Union will have sent her quarterly report to the County Treasurer. Please urge every member to promptly pay her dues. If possible, secure one new member's dues. If you will send the name of the new member to the editor of the MESSAGE before June 5th, it will be published in the June issue.

This issue of the MESSAGE will go into over 3,000 homes in our State. Don't it make your heart thrill to know that so many women interested in what is of such vital importance to you are reading of the blessed work done in Indiana "For God and Home and Native Land?" To all who kindly and promptly send condensed items to the MESSAGE, the editor is very, very thankful. The successful method used in your Union, if known, would be an inspiration and help to another Union.

A local Union to be fully equipped for thorough work, an energetic, conscientious woman must be the Treasurer. Promptness and consecrated tact are indispensable qualities. If your Union has an indifferent Treasurer, or one who is always going to do something and lets other things prevent, you can not expect the best interests of the Union to be served. Such a Treasurer will be dilatory about collecting dues, and when collected will not be prompt in forwarding them. She will wait until the members begin to wonder why they don't get the MESSAGE before she sends their names and money to Mrs. Clara Balch, the business manager of the MESSAGE. She will seldom plan to increase the funds of the Union and if she does, it is all plans and no effective work. A woman with executive ability is absolutely necessary for a successful Treasurer.

On July 4th every W. C. T. U. in Indiana should hold a pic-nic. Now is the time to engage musicians, brass bands, if possible, and speakers. Where entire Sunday schools can be invited to sing in a contest, much enthusiasm will prevail. If each Sunday school is to sing America and a prize awarded, a crowd will be present. In such a contest numbers would be the first marking point for the judges. An offer of a prize or blue ribbon for the prettiest baby present would interest many. Baby shows always do. Very large bills posted on fences and trees through the country for a month in advance would preempt the day for the W. C. T. U. To-day is the time to begin to plan definitely for a W. C. T. U. celebration. Much advertisement and business management will secure great crowds of people. From the eating stands much money can be made, if the crowd is large, sufficient to pay all expenses and put money in the treasury. Think of it, at Eaton, a small town in Delaware county, the attendance last year was about 7,000. At Liberty, in Union County, it was 3,000. These people have kept at this plan for years. They go at it to succeed. They secure speakers of national reputation. From small beginnings they have accomplished great results. Now is the time for your Union to begin.

When a Christian woman writes a letter or postal card to another Christian woman, isn't it natural for her to expect an answer?

Do you always wear your white ribbon? The saloonkeeper knows its meaning, even if some learned man does not.

Drinking fountains in cities and good wells in towns should be supplied abundantly for the use of people, horses and dogs. Urge that the fountains be placed before the grocery or other store instead of the saloon. Notice, please, how the saloon men have secured the location of the fountains where horses drink, which increases their trade. Urge that deep wells be dug in the public places on the streets of the towns. No better summer's work can be done by a union than to have a good well made in a favorable location. Arouse to action, sisters; you can succeed.

## YOUNG CRUSADER.

Under separate cover we are sending copies of *Young Crusaders* this month. I know you will be delighted to see the change in it. From this time on it will appear in the form of a 16-page magazine, although there will be no advance in the subscription price. Will you not make special effort to introduce this paper into Sunday Schools? It is to be issued monthly and certainly there could be nothing finer in the way of a monthly Sunday School paper. While it still remains the official organ of the Loyal Temperance Legion, it will contain articles from well known writers that will interest every one, whether they are actively engaged in temperance work or not. If we could place this paper in the hands of the young people who are not especially interested in our work we hope it will be the means of awakening interest that may enlist every one who could not otherwise be reached.

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## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

### PIC-NIC AT HADLEY SCHOOL.

We cordially invite all our friends to bring their lunch-baskets and join the excursion to Hadley School on Friday morning, June 7. The train leaves the Union Station at 7:30 A. M., reaching the Home at 8:20 A. M. The ride is through a fine farming country, with pleasing landscape on either side. The dis-

tance is not great enough to tire one and the girls at the Home will furnish strawberries and cream. For a company of fifty or more the round trip ticket will be 75 cents. A silver contest will be given by the Hadley School girls. You will be repaid for your trouble and expense in meeting the girls and becoming acquainted with them and seeing the Home to which you have so often contributed. Come, all who can leave for this day.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## RECEIPTS FOR APRIL.

Martinsville	\$3 00
Clara Martin, solicitor	21 00
Denver	40
Susan Clark	50
Sedalia, contest	3 50
First Chapter King's Daughters, Elkhart	2 00
Quilts	13 00
Meridian, Indianapolis	80
Hay from farm	10 00
Mrs. Everson, solicitor	16 20
Burlington contest	3 50

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Clara Martin, salary	9 90
Mary Everson, loan	4 00
Order books	2 50
Brooms	5 00
Miss Hobart, expenses and four days' time	9 80
Mrs. McWhirter, recording deed and expenses	5 45
Printing	51 00
Groceries	19 52
Mrs. Coolman, matron	251 00

Dear sister, I insist on you holding contests soon as convenient. Only twenty-five have been held up to this time, and as we need funds each month to keep in good running order, we will appreciate your kindness very much by letting us hear from you soon. Do as our sister, Amelia Gilman, of Bloomington. She collected from friends and sent me \$10. We will be surprised what we can do when we once make an effort. Wishing you success,

REBECCA HESSONG.

## RECEIPTS FOR FEBRUARY-MARCH.

Western Grove	\$4 00
Morocco	2 30
Monrovia	3 66
Loogootee	10 00
Amboy contest	3 00
Quilts	11 94
Meridian	4 80
Central, Terre Haute	3 00
Jefferson contest	3 70
West Indianapolis property	187 35
Carthage	3 00
Hebron	6 50
Martha Church	17 00
Covington on the pledge	51 00
Ada Squier	7 20
Lochiel contest	4 00
Palmer	2 00
Petersville	3 00
Valparaiso contest	6 00
Ada Squier loan returned	4 00
Martha Church	100 00
Churubusco contest	3 61
Bristol	4 69
Tarleton	2 18
Muncie	1 02
Roanoke	3 00
Rochester	2 07
Economy	1 10
Otterbein	1 00
Upland	12 55
Miami Central	11 00
Dunkirk	1 00
Lucerne	5 50
Collette Park	3 00
Bloomington	5 00
Frankfort	17 64
Sycamore	1 50
Lindley	3 30
Broad Ripple contest	10 30

## DISBURSEMENTS.

Colbert Griffin, farm hand, old debt	\$25 00
Soap	9 50
Groceries, old bill, paid in full	54 85
Coal	30 00
Mary Pearson, teacher	15 00
Mrs. Coolman, matron	12 00
Mr. and Mrs. Steele	40 00
Emergency fund	30 00
C. J. and Nancy Hanners, back salary, paid in full	135 00
Mary Tarleton, car fare, 11½ days' time	22 10
Rebecca Hessong, postage, 14 days' time	25 21
Crackers	2 30
Potatoes	9 40
Mrs. Jackson, sewing	10 00
Flour	50 40
Brooms	5 00
Flowers for uncle Addison's funeral	3 50
Sundries	5 34
Order books	2 50
Mrs. Hobart, car fare, postage, four days' service	9 80
Martha Church, salary	35 00
Mrs. McWhirter, recording deed and expenses	5 45

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

## DEMOREST MEMORIAL AND PREMIUMS.

June 10 is Demorest Memorial Day, and these contests are one of the points on which the National Banner is awarded. Who has a good reason to give why Indiana should not hold more Demorest Memorial contests than any other State? We need the agitation, and we need the education that comes because of agitation. A contest is a ballot-maker and we need ballots; a contest is a money-maker and we need money.

Indiana has the care and keeping of the National Banner this year and we should be ambitious to keep it over next year. I believe we will do so, and with that end in view let us decide to hold a Demorest Memorial contest. Let any one who loves the cause hold these contests. One does not necessarily have to belong to a Union or to any organization to engage in this work. Having a desire to advance the cause, he may form the class, hold the contest and report the same, and He who rewards all good effort will reward this.

Order all supplies and send in your subscription for the Contest Journal, at 25 cents, to the State Superintendent, Mary E. Balch, 711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis, Ind. Send the money with your order. Pages 2 and 3 of the Contest Journal will be filled each month with suitable selections for the contest work. Every one engaged in the contests will find the paper very helpful.

## 1901 PREMIUMS.

Any one holding five contests with boys or young men may have a year's subscription free to the *New Voice*, or *Patriot-Phalanx*, or *Union Signal*, as they prefer.

Any one holding five Silver Medal contests will be entitled to a life-size picture of Woolley and Metcalf.

The county or medal worker who will hold four Diamond Contests will be entitled to a grand gold medal or a set of Miss Willard's books, free.

The county or medal worker who will hold five Grand Gold contests will be entitled to a small gold medal or a life-size picture of Miss Willard, framed, free.

The county or medal worker who will hold five Small Gold contests will be entitled to any silver medal free.

Work begins November 11, 1900, and closes October 1, 1901. It is a great injustice to contestants not to give them opportunity to complete their course and receive their diplomas. Let us do so this year.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

## PRESS DEPARTMENT.

Several months have passed since I have communicated with you through the columns of our MESSAGE. I sent you plans for work and I know you have been faithful while I have been seeking health in Colorado. I return home this month. If I can help you, please write me. Have you been saving clippings? If not, I urge you to do so. Other states are adopting our plan, so we must work to keep our place at the head of the national department. Remember my offer to the Union sending me the best report before the state convention—a white satin banner with the silver star. Which Unions are working for it? I wish you would write me if you are trying for it.

Do not fail to send short interesting articles of temperance news to the newspapers. Ask for great things and great results will follow for our temperance work.

I have offered the Union sending the best report, thinking that would give an even chance for all, as some counties are better organized than others.

MRS. MAY MOSER,  
State Superintendent Press Work.

## FLOWER MISSION.

The Unions of some localities in Southern Indiana have been requested to arrange to send buttonhole bouquets to the Reformatory at Jeffersonville. To Hon. George A. H. Shideler, of the Indiana State Prison, Michigan City, and to Hon. Alvin T. Hert, General Superintendent of the Indiana Reformatory at Jeffersonville, the same kind of a letter was sent telling them about Flower Mission Day on June 9, and asking if the Indiana W. C. T. U. could send buttonhole bouquets, with Scripture text cards attached, to the men in their charge. The following letters have been received and explain the conditions:

"Yours to the Warden in regard to Flower Mission Day received. I am instructed to say to you that we greatly appreciate your interest in our men and the kindness which prompts this offer. However, we regret that we do not see our way clear to avail ourselves of your kindly offer. The rules and regulations, which must of necessity be very strict, will not admit of a departure of this kind. We have many men who would thoroughly appreciate an act of this kind and whose lives would be the better because of it, but others are with us whose conduct makes it impossible for us to 'let down the bars' in an instance of this kind. Thanking you most sincerely, I remain,

Respectfully,

H. L. HENDERSON,  
Chaplain and State Agent Indiana State Prison."

"Replying to your favor of April 18, inquiring whether buttonhole bouquets may be sent to the inmates of the Reformatory on Flower Mission Day, I beg to say that decoration of that kind is not permitted by the management of this institution.

Yours very truly,

ALVIN T. HERT,  
General Superintendent Indiana Reformatory, at Jeffersonville."

Every Union should observe Flower Mission Day. Seek out the aged, the infirm, the incurable, sick children and those in hospitals, jails and poor houses. Go to these as individuals, if not otherwise. Take some flowers, fruits, jellies or something with you to someone. Mingle with the gift the sunshine of the Gospel of Christ. Send the girls and boys out with gifts. Take them to the poorhouses and hospitals with the W. C. T. U. In services held they will be helpful and will be helped, too. In every W. C. T. U. home, where there are boys and girls, tell them the story of Jennie Cassaday and plan to have them invite in their friends to help make bouquets. The boys will secure wire and tin foil and help the girls solicit flowers from the neighbors. This they should do nearly a week in advance. When the time comes for making the bouquets, the neighbors will already be interested—many will help. All should be invited to contribute something and should be told of the worldwide plans for Flower Mission work. For Scripture text cards, send to the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, LaSalle and Monroe streets, Chicago, Ill. Price, 25 cents per hundred. With every gift should be included a scripture quotation—a message from God.



Please invite the boys and girls and young people to assist in Flower Mission work this year. Every W. C. T. U. member can do something for this cause. Arrange with the management of Institutions early in regard to services, so that there may be no delay. Have good programs; secure the best talent; ask largely for God's cause.

Request the ministers everywhere to read the Superintendent's report on Flower mission Work in the last annual report. Give them leaflets to read on the subject and ask them to preach on this subject. Order leaflets of Miss Ethel Austin Shrigley, Landsdowne, Pa. Prices, about 50 cents per hundred. Send postage stamps and get samples.

Faithfully,

ETHEL TYREE MCWHIRTER,  
State Superintendent.

#### ORGANIZATION FUND.

Previously reported, \$15; Frances Willard Union, Indianapolis, \$10; Clinton County Life Membership, \$10; Mrs. Hattie Stechel, Mulberry, \$5; Mrs. India Smith, Milroy, \$1; Mrs. Jennie Powers, Williams-town, \$1; Rev. Cammack Gibson, Jonesboro, \$1; Mrs. Jennie Bates, Washington, D. C., \$1; Elkhart Union, Elkhart, \$1; Mr. Ancil Winslow, Fairmount, \$1; Mrs. Louisa Rush, Fairmount, \$1; Mrs. Elmira Luse, Fairmount, \$1; total, \$48.

When our Institutes have closed we must put every available organizer into the field for organization. With 1,500 new members we can go down to Fort Worth, Texas, next fall, feeling that we have done our duty. If these organizers fail to get support in the field, any deficit must come from this fund, and I feel sure you will see that it is very small for such a large piece of work. This fund has had many prayers back of it. I cannot understand why it grows so slowly. I do not know what I can say to impress our readers with the importance of the need of it and the great loss that will come to the work for the want of it.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Superintendent of the Department of Organization.

#### INSTITUTES.

**Benton County Institute** was held on the 2d and 3d of May, in Oxford. Four Unions were represented. Rev. Myres, of the M. E. church, Rev. Hall, of the Christian church, were in constant attendance, and Rev. Hostetter, of the Presbyterian church, helped also in the discussions. "Five Boys in Knee Pants," was given by the leader the first night and a contest by five little girls the second night. Miss Laura Stephens received the medal and a bright new silver fifty cent piece was given to each of the others. Miss Baker resigned the Presidency of Benton County, and Mrs. Amanda Smith, of Oxford, was elected to take her place. Miss Baker has held her position for 11 years, and figuratively speaking, they fell on her neck and wept at the thought of parting with her. She, with her mother, moves to LaFayette. To show their appreciation of her long and faithful service they made her a life member of State W. C. T. U. On Saturday we went to Talbot and held a mothers' meeting with that Union and hope to spend Sunday in Otterbein.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON.

**Cayuga Union**—Vermillion County Institute was held at Cayuga, with Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, who organized the Union a few months ago, as leader. Mrs. Brand writes as follows: "While the work is new to most of the women, they are going forward in the real W. C. T. U. spirit. On the second night of the Institute they held their first contest and it showed careful arrangement in every detail. An orchestra of more than ordinary merit furnished the music. While sweet strains pleased the ear the curtain arose and we beheld an attractive parlor scene. Palms and flowers were artistically grouped here and there and the young ladies, dressed in white, added life and grace to the scene. The medal won by Miss Shellenbarger was gracefully presented by Prof. Nolan, of the public school, and a bunch of carnations was given to each contestant, all of whom did exceedingly well."

**W. C. T. U. Institute** of Steuben County was held in Fremont, April 18, 19 and 20. The County President, Mrs. Alma Shaw, of Ashley, presided. The Secretary being absent, Mrs. Mary Birch acted as Secretary *pro tem*. Delegates from all the local Unions were present. Miss Mary Hadley, our leader, came fully equipped for her work. All she said and did in our midst was calculated to arrest thought along lines of special work—of the W. C. T. U. Many excellent papers were read and discussed. National, State, County and local plans for co-operation in this great work was ably presented by our leader and different members. We were cheered and greatly aided by the presence and helpful words of Rev. Mason, of the U. B. Church; Rev. Frost, of the Congregational Church; Rev. Fuller, of Hillsdale, Mich., and Rev. Hunt, of Hicksville, Ohio, who were all presented to the convention. Rev. Mason gave a very effective talk of twenty-five minutes from "When Does Expediency Become Compromise?" He proved without a doubt that we can never compromise with evil and not reap bad results. Miss Hadley's address Thursday evening, on "The Relation and Attitude of the Church and Saloon," was excellent. Platform evening was greatly enjoyed by all. Rev. Neal, of Angola, spoke on "The Imperialism of the Rum Power." The good people of Fremont greatly appreciate Rev. Neal's lectures and presence everywhere and always. Rev. Frost's subject was "The Supremacy of the Church." Professor Dudley's subject, "What is Temperance and how can it Best be Pro-

moted." Fremont is noted for its musical talent, and they aided the institute greatly in all sessions and was much appreciated. Several new members were added, also two honorary members.

**White County Institute** at Chalmers resulted in a Y of fifteen members and a visit to the schools in the interest of scientific temperance. Miss Mary Hadley leader.

**Clinton County Institute** was held on schedule time and place, Sedalia. We started from home in good time, but train being late we did not make connections at Frankfort, so was driven over by a livery man, and arrived there about noon. The institute was not represented as well as a great county like Clinton could have done if she had done her best. But sickness and other lawful excuses were given. Mrs. Saylor, who exerts herself to the utmost to bring herself up to high water mark, was not well nor able to be in all the time. A matrons' contest was held the first night and Five Boys were given the second night. The name of the woman who received the medal has gotten away from us. Not the woman, but the name. We tried to hold a children's meeting on Wednesday morning, but a constant rain prevented but few children from coming out.

**Marshall County W. C. T. U. Institute**, held in Plymouth, April 16 and 17, was an unusually earnest meeting. Four of the resident ministers gave very encouraging addresses. State Senator Parks was present through two sessions and talked on personal responsibility. There was much said to turn the thoughts in that direction. Mrs. Trish was the life of the meeting and did not miss a session. One night was a medal contest and the second night Rev. Davis gave his stereopticon lecture, "The Women of America vs. the Saloon." It was good and well illustrated. I wish I might, through the MESSAGE, recommend Rev. Davis' stereopticon lecture to the Unions wanting this kind of an entertainment. He has prepared it to illustrate the great enemy of the home and is along our line of work throughout. He is a brother of the Rev. Davis in whose church the State Union held its convention in Marion, one year ago. Ill health compels him to resign from the ministry for a time.

**White County Institute** was held 30th of April and 1st of May at Wolcott. We had a matron's suffrage contest for the silver medal. Mrs. Sarah Barber, of Monticello, gained the medal. Our attendance was not large, but great interest was manifested. During her stay in Wolcott, Miss Hadley organized a fine Y branch of fifteen, including three teachers in the public school. Several were also added to the W's. Miss Hadley is still in our county doing good and efficient work.

**St. Joseph County Institute**, held at South Bend, opened with a good attendance. Platform night, which was the first session, was devoted to speeches. Rev. Eli Phillips Bennet, of the First Methodist Church, and Rev. Rice, of the Christian Church, represented the churches of the city. Miss A. E. Hill, drawing teacher, represented the public schools. City Attorney George Clark spoke on the good effects of the curfew law, which went into effect about four years ago, due to the efforts of the W. C. T. U. of South Bend. All sessions were well attended; in fact, no previous institute has been so well attended or so much real interest shown. All papers and discussions were well rendered, showing much thorough and concentrated effort on the part of those preparing them. Already several of the articles have appeared in the *Phalanx*. The second evening a silver medal contest was held, with a full class of boys and girls equally divided. Margaret Linard won the medal.

**Wells County** annual institute convened in the Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. Cammack Gibson, of Marion, in charge of the session, which lasted two days. "Results from this Institute" and "Plans of State Work" were presented and ably discussed. Mrs. Martha McBride, of Bluffton, presented in a forcible manner the subject, "God's Plan of Dealing with Evil," which was highly commended and appreciated. Prof. W. A. Wert, of the Bluffton High School, had been secured to prepare a paper on "What is Temperance?" which denoted careful preparation. Scientific Temperance was discussed by him, showing that it must be taught in the school, in the church and above all in the home. Local option and eventually prohibition seems his idea of suppressing the traffic. Rev. C. G. Miller ably discussed the question of "No Compromise with the Traffic," which was a valuable aid in the promotion of our cause. Rev. D. F. Kain, a pioneer prohibitionist and a firm friend to the W. C. T. U., gave a short talk that inspired all to a more faithful performance of Christian duty. Rev. Lester presented "What Will the Church Do with the Saloon?" The Church is supreme only when it is supreme spiritually. A spiritual Church has no use for a saloon or any other organization not being actuated with the spirit of Christ. Purify the Church and the Church will soon banish the saloon by winning all men to the Church and the saloon would be unnecessary and die for lack of support. Rev. J. M. Miller discussed the Church and Saloon in a very able manner and was an inspiration to all who heard him. His idea was an earnest Christian effort, thoroughly organized against all evils and especially against this giant, the legalized saloon, would soon bring about its overthrow. The Anti-Cigarette League has been carefully and prayerfully organized and is doing effective work under the able superintendency of Mrs. R. G. Marcy. All honor is due to all those

faithful, earnest Christian gentlemen who so ably assisted and encouraged us during the entire session. The County Recording Secretary, Miss Cora Hood, having resigned, Mrs. Hannah Rife, of Bluffton, was chosen to fill the unexpired term. The Ladies' Quartette kindly furnished some excellent music during the session of the Institute.

**Daviess County Institute** held at Washington, was very profitable indeed. Mrs. Pearce was the leader and gave the "Outlook Greeting." Our Local Treasurer gave the Duties of a Treasurer. Mrs. Pearce then gave a fine talk on "The Significance of our Badge." The following subjects were taken up: Cigarette, Mrs. Bryan; Purity, Mrs. Smith; Equality in Citizenship, Mrs. Goshorn; Institutes, Loyal Temperance Legion, Hadley Home, Law and Statistics, Mrs. Pearce giving us much information. The Y work was discussed and it was decided to use Wednesday morning for visiting and working for a Y Union. A Parliamentary drill was given by the leader. Am I my Brother's Keeper? was recited by Mrs. Fannie Overton; Advancement of Woman, by Rev. Cantrell; The Twentieth Century Woman, by Prof. Allen of the city high school, followed by discussion. The leader organized a Y. W. C. T. U. Miss Grace Brown was made President, Miss Mamie Schofield, Corresponding Secretary. A medal contest was held in the opera house with a very good audience. Receipts, \$32.30. Two young ladies and three young gentlemen contested. It was beautiful to see those dear young people upon the platform, each wearing beautiful cut flowers and a smiling face, as one by one they presented the strong temperance sentiment, our hearts swelled within us. The audience was very enthusiastic and all pronounced it a success. Miss Eula Canady won the medal. The averages were very close, however. The lecture by Mrs. Pearce was very interesting. Our Union is wonderfully pleased with our dear sister, Mrs. Pearce, and we were loathe to give her up. All who met her were in love with her. Pray for our Y workers, that their numbers may increase.

**W. C. T. U. Institute** of Miami County was held at Amboy, April 4 and 5, with the County President, Mrs. Kilmer, of Peru, as leader until the afternoon of the 5th, when Mrs. McWhirter arrived and took charge. Representatives were present from three of the four Unions in the county; beside the home workers. Mrs. Bond, President of Delaware County, and Mrs. Outland, President of Howard County, aided much in the work. Miss Edgerton, Prof. Marshal, principal of Converse high school, Wm. Outland and others had part in the work. Mrs. Kilmer conducted the work in an ideal manner. On Friday evening was held a gold medal contest, which was exceptionally good. Miss Maud Osborn, who graduates from our high school this year, was awarded the medal. On the evening of the contest more than forty persons were present who were wearers of medals, either gold or silver. Saturday evening Mrs. McWhirter gave a rousing address, which was well received by those present; in fact, her whole theme and service from her arrival was soul inspiring and a wonderful blessing. The white ribbon cause has been much helped by this Institute.

**Fulton County** had the best Institute ever held in the county at Kewanna, April 1 and 2. Miss Mary Hadley was the leader. The State program was used. Monday afternoon a motion was made and carried that a petition signed by all the parents who attended the institute be presented to the town council asking that a curfew law be enforced. We now have such a law. The meetings were well attended. Thursday evening a reception was given to the public. Ten subscriptions were taken for the *Union Signal*. Fourteen names were added to the local Union and a Loyal Temperance Legion of thirty-six members was organized.

**Pulaski County Institute** was held at Star City, Miss Mary Hadley, leader. A very interesting program was carried out. The discussions on the following subjects were very interesting: The Significance of our Badge; The Attitude of the State and National Legislators Towards Measures of Prevention and Reform; and The Imperialism of the Rum Power. The parliamentary drill by Miss Hadley was of unusual interest. Among those who participated in the program were Miss Hulda Dunn, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Blue, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Grant, C. W. Dunn and Revs. Raven and Yount. The illustrated lecture by Miss Hadley on "The Hidden Path of Alcohol Revealed" was very interesting and instructive. The oratorical contest was good. The medal was awarded to Glen-nie Gier. The instruction given and the interest manifested during the entire Institute will no doubt result in great and lasting good.

**Newton County Institute** was held at Morocco. Mrs. Gibson, leader. The following subjects were discussed: "God's plan of dealing with evil. The significance of our badge. The cigarette and franchisee." The President gave a talk on the army canteen. Tuesday's session the following topics were discussed: "Purity, the Loyal Temperance Legion and Methods of Department Work." The pastors of the U. B. church, the Christian church and the Methodist church handled their subjects most eloquently. A good interest was manifested throughout the sessions. Monday evening a narcotic contest was held in the opera house, there being ten speakers. Master Kenneth Deardurff carried off the silver medal. Tuesday evening Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a lecture, Five Boys



in Knee Pants. She had the audience deeply interested for an hour, and we are sure great good will be the result.

**Huntington County** held a very interesting Institute in Warren, March 28 and 29. Our State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson, was with us and added to the interest of the meeting. We held a suffrage contest on the evening of the 28th, Mrs. Zent, of Roanoke, capturing the medal. The W's gained twelve new members and the Y's two. Previous to our institute we had Rev. Anna Shaw to lecture on "The Fate of Republics." Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson was our institute leader.

#### FIELD NOTES.

Throughout Mrs. Brand's section the contests have been of an unusually high character, and with very few exceptions the proceeds have paid all institute expenses and placed snug sums in the county treasuries. A minister at Terre Haute, who attended all the sessions of the Institute, said: "We have had a high grade lecture course this winter, but I have learned more from the sessions of this Institute than from the entire lecture course. This is christianity practically applied." He said very complimentary things about Mrs. Brand's leadership, and said our businesslike methods were a revelation to him. There is an increased attendance in the county membership and much more interest manifested in the study of methods and plans. A special study of Parliamentary Law and many drills have been given at the Institutes. The women have taken it up much better than previously during the past two years. This will cause a great improvement in the manner of conducting local and county meetings. The lack of form and dignity is detrimental to the advancement of a Union.

**Newton County W. C. T. U.** Institute was held at the scheduled place and time and the program was filled. The three resident ministers were particularly helpful. Civil Government and Enforcement of Law was very ably handled by Rev. Traxell, of the M. E. Church. Imperialism and the Rum Power, by the Rev. Tuggle, of the U. B. Church, should set the members of the Institute—as well as others—to studying and thinking. The discussion, "When Does Expediency Become Compromise?" was led by the Rev. Watkins, of the Christian Church, and many facts and opinions, and some history, were presented. The same gentleman had a thoughtful paper on "The Supremacy of the Church and What Will it Do with the Saloon." On Monday evening, the Anti-Narcotic contest, in charge of the Local President, Mrs. McConahey, was held in the opera house. There were eight girls and two boys, but a boy won the medal with the Tobacco Parable. Besides these ten contestants, there was a class of ten girls—trained by Mrs. Traxell—singing against tobacco. While the judges were out, the large audience was entertained with a beautiful duet, one of the singers being the mother of the Archibald Brothers, who sang for Prohibition over the State last summer, and there was a fine recitation by Miss Lowe, a graduate of an Illinois school of oratory. On Tuesday evening, Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave her lecture on "Five Boys in Knee Pants," which was the most practical, convincing and up-to-date lecture we have had and will be appreciated wherever heard. The Institute closed on Wednesday forenoon, May 1, but she spoke to the children in the afternoon and gave a lecture on Scientific Temperance Instruction in the evening.

**Public Meetings** should begin exactly on time. No whispering should be allowed upon the platform. The person presiding should have a completely arranged program, so that after she goes upon the platform she need not leave it or show to the audience that she is at all disturbed. If a speaker or singer fails to arrive on time, do not be disconcerted, but go on with the program. Never keep an audience waiting for any one or two persons. If the person who has been asked to open the meeting with a devotional service is late, invite some one to either read short Scripture lesson and offer prayer, or just to offer prayer. Under no circumstances let a tardy person cause a woman's meeting to be delayed in its opening.

**Attention!** All buttonhole bouquets with Scripture cards, intended for the Reform School for Boys at Plainfield, should be sent on Saturday, June 8, addressed to Superintendent E. E. York. Suitable books for boys would be greatly appreciated. Those sent should contain the name of Union and individual sending. Because of the dampness of the flowers, tie the ribbon in the cards and place where they will keep dry.

By request of the teachers of the public schools at Wolcott, Miss Mary Hadley spoke on scientific temperance to all the grades. Afterwards she organized a Y of fifteen members, including one high school and several other teachers. President, Miss Josephine Miner; vice-president, Mr. Lovell Taylor; second vice-president, Miss Fae Hackley; corresponding secretary, Miss Bertha Boulder; recording secretary, Miss May Collins.

**Mrs. Julia Morgan**, the energetic superintendent of Sabbath Observance for Indianapolis Meridian Union, held a mass meeting in the interest of her department, in the North Congregational church. Much interest was manifested. The subjects discussed were "Non attendance at Church services," "Sunday in the home," "Sunday newspapers," "Sunday amusements," and "Road houses." A nice collection was taken for the department. Two persons each gave one dollar.

**Mrs. Frances G. Boyer** was recently made a life member of the Frankfort Union. This Union now has two life members.

**Clinton County** is planning to hold a grand temperance rally and celebration July 4.

**Frankfort Union** gives its superintendents an appropriation. Some of them receive as much as State superintendents.

**James C. Gipe**, who was for several years the splendid president of our State L. T. L., has won great distinction by taking the honors in the contest of the State High School Oratorical Association held in Indianapolis. His comrades carried him out on their shoulders. James is a fine young man, an excellent student, a prohibitionist and a loyal christian temperance worker.

**The Joint Gold Medal Contest** given by Burlington and Sedalia Unions, on Thursday evening, April 18, was quite a success. Miss Weltha Clouse, of Sedalia, receiving the medal. We received almost \$12.00 at the door. The program was fine. We heartily thank all who helped us with music and other help also. The program being two hours long.

**Mrs. Stahl** visits Eastern Franklin County. Feeling anxious that the department of Mothers' Meetings should be brought before the people, we planned to have State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Stahl, with us a few days. She came April 24 and held two Mothers' Meetings for women only—one at Bath and one at Mt. Carmel. The women seemed very much interested and in her heart to heart talks, there were but few dry eyes in the audience. She gave three evening addresses. The well-filled churches and the interest manifested in her work greatly encouraged us and we feel that she has done us good. Many are the words of praise from those who heard her. We wish we might keep her longer and assure her of a welcome when she returns.

**Miss Eliza Baker**, who served Benton County eleven years, resigned at the Institute and Mrs. Amanda Smith, of Oxford, was elected. Miss Baker and her mother move to LaFayette.

**At the Contest** held in Newton County at the Institute, Master Kenneth Deardorf received the medal and the remaining nine contestants each a Carrie Nation Hatchet.

**Mrs. C. C. Robinson** entertained the LaFayette Union last week. It was flower mission day and each member-in attendance took an offering of flowers. The devotional exercises that opened the meeting were conducted by Mrs. Henry H. Budge. A sketch of the life and work of Miss Jennie Cassady, the originator of the flower mission, was given by Mrs. A. L. Green. A paper by Mrs. Horace George and a story by Mrs. C. C. Robinson were other features of the program. Vocal solos were given by Miss Anna Robinson, recitations were given by Miss Phoebe George and Miss Emily Wilgus. A social hour followed the program and refreshments were served. The flowers that had been brought by the members were arranged into bouquets, tied with white ribbon and were distributed among the sick of the city.

**Mrs. Anna Kilmer**, President of Miami County, will visit Converse Union in the near future.

**The W. C. T. U.** loses a staunch friend in the death of Rev. Edwin Oliver, pastor of the Evangelical church, at Peru, who was instantly killed by a Wabash train in that city recently. He was returning from his Conference and arrangements were perfected for his going, on the next day, to Aurora, Illinois, to claim Miss Elfrink as his bride. He was a member of the Peru Y. The Peru papers speak in highest terms of him. The *Journal* said, "His was a majestic christian character, such as inspires regard for the faith in the heart of the unbeliever."

**In response** to beautiful invitations issued by Mapleton Union for a Young Peoples' Debate, to be given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Whitson, on the evening of May 3, over one hundred representative people were present. The subject, "Resolved, That the elective franchise should be given to woman," was ably discussed by young men and young women amidst great interest and enthusiasm. Afterwards, ice cream and cake was served and a social hour enjoyed.

**Mrs. C. A. Remington**, of South Whitley, Whitley County, writes about the Institute: "Good meetings all through; nine members added; three *Union Signal* subscriptions; an L. T. L. of one hundred and twenty-six members organized; a good contest held, also a good meeting the second evening. Overflow on Columbia City."

**Sunday Evening**, April 4, Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, spoke in the First Baptist Church of South Bend, which was filled to its utmost capacity, seating about one thousand people. Her address was full of new thoughts and was well received by the people and many new names were added to the W. C. T. U. South Bend has been blessed by her coming.

**The National W. C. T. U.** is preparing for an exhibit at the Pan-American Exposition, to be held in Buffalo this year. The exhibit will be similar to the one at the World's Fair and will aim to demonstrate the principles of the organization, its objects and its department work.

**Huntington Union** congratulates itself on having been able to treat its members and friends to so able a speaker as Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi. Her lecture, on April 12, was delivered in her ready, pleasing manner and was a delight to all.

**Warren Union**, also of Huntington County, has made the county proud by having secured the services of Rev. Anna Shaw to lecture and by having further added to the success of the County Institute by the addition of the State President as guest.

**LaFayette Union.** Mrs. P. C. Vawter, Jail Superintendent, and Mrs. George Jameson, evangelist, visit the jail every Sunday afternoon, with blessed results.

**Indianapolis Northeast Union** recently held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Clark. A nice collection was taken for the Sabbath Observance Department.

**Mrs. Georgiana Moser White**, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, formerly our State Superintendent of Literature, is Vice-President of her W. C. T. U. district and is responsible for a successful Y of sixty-five young men and women. The now one year old W that was organized in her home has fifty members. Thus continue the efforts of this precious young life. Miss Moser attended the State Convention at Marion. At the mass meeting on Sunday afternoon she followed Miss Anna Gordon in a plea for young woman's work. Within a few days afterwards Mr. White, of Colorado Springs, claimed her as his bride. By her request he wore a little bow of white ribbon on his wedding day.

**For years Angola**, the seat of one of our excellent normal schools, has been without a licensed saloon, in spite of the fact that saloon interests have made persistent efforts to secure license in the face of a majority of 150 remonstrants in the city and townships. Crandell, who for many years sold liquor by the drink and of late years sold in five-gallon lots, has moved to Indianapolis. In the Steuben Circuit Court, in order to settle pending cases, the Cantliver Brewing Co., of Fort Wayne, and its agent, Sowle, who have been conducting a five-gallon establishment at Angola, agreed to abandon the business there at the close of the week. Strangest of all, the ladies of the W. C. T. U. have cleaned up the old building, occupied by Sowle as a saloon for forty years, and in the midst of billiard tables and a well worn bar are conducting a rummage sale.

**Frankfort Union** has given each Superintendent such a sum of money as is considered necessary to carry on her department. Some of them received as much as ten dollars. Frankfort W. C. T. U. purchased a life membership and the Union voted unanimously that Mrs. Frances Boyer should hold it. We celebrated Neal Dow day in connection with the Prohibitionists, bearing half of the expense of the all-day meeting. We have held two medal contests this winter and sent money to the Hadley Home fund, paying up our assessment for last year. Mrs. Emma Saylor, County President, did the work of getting up the contest class.

**Miss Major**, President of Martin County, writes: "Our Institute was held in Shoals, and was a very profitable session, with a good attendance. Our dear leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, did excellent work and her talks along all lines were pointed and logical. She worked her way into the hearts of the people, especially the young, who with ready hands and willing hearts assisted in making the institute interesting. We hope to have an ingathering as the result, and we pray God's blessing upon our dear sister as she goes into other fields."

**Willard W. C. T. U.** of Lexington held their annual meeting at the Presbyterian church, Saturday afternoon, April 13. The reports from the various Superintendents were given, and interesting as well as instructive talks were then given by Rev. Lawson, of Lexington, Ky., and Rev. Hall, of New Washington, Ind. These two gentlemen were made honorary members of the Union. We hope that in the past year we have sown seeds which will in time bring us an abundant harvest.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Lewisville W. C. T. U.:

WHEREAS, An inscrutable but all-wise Providence has called from works to reward our beloved sister, Ella Martin, and we desire, however inadequately, to express our sense of loss. Therefore be it

Resolved, That our Union has lost a highly valued officer, the cause of social purity an able exponent in life and conduct, as well as in precept, and the community has lost the example of a model wife and mother.

Further, That we commend our dear friend's life as an example well worthy of imitation, and that we hope to meet her again when we form a more perfect union in the home beyond.

Posey County's first W. C. T. U. President, Mrs. Maria Barrett, was called home in April. She was born in New Harmony, and spent her whole life in that county, going home to rest and reward when she was 74 years old.

One by one we are gathering home,  
Gathering there at the Father's call—  
Life at best is a passing day,  
The summons of death must come to all.

On April 17 death entered the home of our sister, Mina Gentry, and removed from our midst a bright little son. We as sisters of the W. C. T. U. wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the family in this their time of sorrow. Sister Gentry is one of our best members of Sycamore Union.

Brother's gone: he's no more on earth,  
God has called him home.  
His prattling tongue, so stilled in death,  
With beckoning hands he bids us come.

Since in His all-wise providence our heavenly Father has seen fit to remove from our midst little Gladys, daughter of our highly esteemed President, Mrs. Alice Rynerson,

Resolved, That we bow in humble submission to his righteous will; that we as members of the Columbus W. C. T. U. extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy and commend them to Him who said, "I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you." That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy of them be sent to the family of the deceased and that they be published in the papers of the city and in the MESSAGE.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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READ BY MRS. M. A. LEAVITT AT MEMORIAL MEETING  
HELD IN HONOR OF ZERELDA G. WALLACE.

Magnanimous and wise and good;  
So gifted, gracious and serene!  
A noble type of womanhood—  
Among her peers a very queen.

Her radiant passage to the skies  
Is rainbowed in a mist of tears;  
For our fond hearts and favored eyes  
Have seen the glory of her years.

Those years were eloquent with love—  
With love for lost humanity;  
Her heart, all selfish aims above,  
Thought not of honors nor degree.

In holy fervor for the right,  
Hers was the voice that led the van  
Amid the hosts where ribbons white  
Waged fearful war for brother man.

Tho' shot and shell around her fell,  
Conviction's courage held her fast;  
And all her gentle band, as well,  
But louder grew Truth's bugle blast.

Her own brave shibboleth of war  
Rang out its clarion call at will—  
"The women of the nation are  
Versus the Liquor Traffic still."

Amid the foemen's bitter clang,  
Inspired by her—led by her hand,  
Her watchword and our chorus rang—  
"For God and Home and Every Land!"

While kindred hearts were stirred and swelled  
By her life's purpose—"Doing Good,"  
Hers was the eloquence which held  
Spell-bound the listening multitude.

While from the platform, o'er and o'er,  
She hurled her giant argument,  
How sin-shrunk, shame-faced, to the floor!  
How truth triumphant, soaring went!

Majestic mind! that made the law  
Of helpfulness its living creed;  
A graciousness which felt and saw  
Only a tempted brother's need.

To break the tempter's power and sway—  
Protection 'round the home to wind,  
She pleaded, in her own wise way,  
For equal rights for womankind.

With all the gifts of womanhood,  
And all the fervent fire of youth,  
She pleaded for justice. Ah, she stood  
An advocate for God's own truth.

O, for those old, heroic days!  
O, for "our Deborah's" heart of flame—  
Lit from the crusade's holy blaze,  
Unskilled by scorn, or hate or blame!

For us who marched close by her side,  
Whose courage led us through the fray,  
O, leader great—now glorified—  
What words can tell our loss to-day?

O, for her mantle; may it fall  
On us who in life's conflict stand,  
And down the years and over all  
Who bear Truth's banner thro' the land!

Still drifting toward eternity,  
With life-work mirrored in its flow,  
Beyond the tides of Time's wide sea,  
May her sublime example go.

We are indebted to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull street, Boston, National Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction, for the following item: "The new medical magazine, *American Medicine*, for May 4 and 11, contains a very able series of articles by Dr. John Madden, formerly professor of physiology in the Wisconsin College of Physicians and Surgeons, on the 'Food Value of Alcohol and Prof. Atwater's Experiments and Teaching.' Dr. Madden's position is that 'alcohol is a violent protoplasm poison,' that instead of protecting the nitrogenous tissues from undue waste, it hastens their waste; that instead of increasing tissue activity, it markedly diminishes it and hinders also mental processes. Dr. Madden's stand on this subject is that taken by the *Journal of the American Medical Association* and the *Boston Medical and Surgical Journal*. The appearance of his contribution in this new magazine, 'founded, owned and controlled by the Medical Association of America,' adds one more to the list of medical journals that have published articles showing the fallacies of Prof. Atwater's claim of food value for alcohol. Dr. Madden has recently become a member of the advisory board of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union."

At our last State L. T. L. convention, James Gipe was elected State L. T. L. Organizer. He offers to give his school vacation to field work, beginning the latter part of June. Unions can correspond with him for dates and terms by addressing James L. Gipe, 808 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.

By winning the High School oratorical prize, in February, and the State oratorical prize, in April, James has added new honors to those already won in the W. C. T. U. medal contest.

I hope Unions will hasten to engage our enthusiastic young L. T. L. Organizer and give him the opportunity to organize for them, Senior and Junior Loyal Temperance Legions.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
General L. T. L. Secretary.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

At the last National Convention a committee was appointed to revise our L. T. L. Seal Course. They have been at work ever since, but have not yet completed the work, as so important a service requires plenty of time. Many books must be carefully read by the committee in order to select the very best.

As we had decided not to purchase our State loan library of seal books until after the proposed revision, we have not been urging the payment of the money so generously subscribed at the Frankfort convention. We now ask all who have not yet redeemed their pledges to send the money to K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester, as soon as possible.

A number of Legioners and some W. C. T. U. members are reading for seals. Each graduate should be at work winning seals for their diploma and should be studying Vol. 2 of the lesson manuals, for which they receive one of the most important seals. The county receiving the greatest number of seals this year, will receive a desirable reward at our next State L. T. L. convention. "Eyes Open" is out of print and the mercy seal course is complete without it.

Our *Young Crusader* has been enlarged and is now in the form of a magazine. The publishers offer to send a sample copy to each L. T. L. girl or boy in Indiana. Leaders, please forward the postoffice address of all your members to Dept. L. Y., *Crusader*, Room 1110, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Helen G. Rice, National L. T. L. Secretary, says: "I see great possibilities for helpfulness in the L. T. L. literature extension scheme adopted at our last National L. T. L. conference. While, as stated there, it had special reference to the *Young Crusader*, I think we should broaden it to include all L. T. L. supplies. In order to make the work definite, I greatly desire that each of the older States shall adopt some special mission field and that its Legioners shall send to that field the lesson manuals, song books and other supplies no longer needed for their own work; also that they may, when able to do so, devote some money to subscribing for the *Young Crusader* and to furnishing badges and other new supplies for their mission field."

Shall Indiana adopt such mission field? What are we doing with our old manuals, etc.? Whoever is willing to help carry out this plan, write to me.

Knowing that the County President in her responsible position is anxious to have her county active in the work for the girls and boys, I have undertaken a plan of sending into the counties, through the County Presidents, sets of traveling leaflets, whereby every childless Union may be reached and urged and helped to take up our greatest work. I earnestly solicit the co-operation of County Presidents in this plan and their earnest endeavors to push the work of the L. T. L. in their county.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
Gen'l L. T. L. Secretary.

BESSIE STRAW,  
Associate.

## SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

We give dates again for our W. C. T. U. programs:

Pine Lake, August 2; Maxinkuckee, July 31; Wionna, July 11; Bethany, August 3; Island Park, August 5 and 6; Acton Park, August 1 and 2.

Island Park and Acton are to have W. C. T. U. headquarters, to open July 24 and close August 15.

For officers of these assembly W. C. T. U. Unions in charge—see page 76 of our Annual Minutes.

There will be W. C. T. U. teaching on L. T. L., Y., Mothers' Meetings, Physical Culture, Health and Hereditary and possibly on other departments. No effort will be spared to make the most of the time and place for our cause. Battle Ground and Zionsville not heard from.

Unions in the regions around about these assemblies should get full of enthusiasm and work up a crowd—marshal the children with banner and song—and, above all, don't forget to join the Assembly Union. Send to Superintendent of Summer Assemblies for constitution.

Miss Alice Palmer, at Pine Lake, speaks on "The Past and the Future of the W. C. T. U." Mrs. M. A. Tompkins on "The Twentieth Century Woman," and Mary E. Balch on "Our Work at Pine Lake."

Rev. Cammack-Gibson gives her famous lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," at Maxinkuckee and the children demonstrate and orate and finish up with a gold contest.

Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, Lexington, Ky., speaks at Bethany, Acton Park and Island Park.

Programs are not perfected yet. The Summer Assemblies is Indiana's W. C. T. U.'s opportunity. A Christian audience, under favorable auspices, with the liberty and chance of greatly increasing the audience and financial aid, not to be found under any other circumstances. Dear White Ribboners, do ap-

preciate our advantages at our summer assemblies and do your very best to make our organization a success. Dear sisters, we work for success; we pay for success—and then it will be wise to add, pray for success.

MARY E. BALCH,  
State Superintendent.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

State Secretary Miss Sears will go to Steuben County, the 10th of June, for two weeks' work among the young people. From there she will go to South Bend, depending upon our Father for strength and health. June 8 will be observed by many of our Y's as Flower Mission day. Keep an accurate account of bouquets given and make our Flower Mission Superintendent, Miss Ethel McWhirter, glad of the work done by our young women. Our ranks are strengthened by the addition of some new Unions—Walcott, Chalmers, Washington and Hammond. There is room for a Y Branch in every W. C. T. U. in the State.

Dr. Cook, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. of Anderson, gave a heart talk to young men on Purity, May 17, and it was so much appreciated that he was requested to repeat it. Mrs. McMahan, a member of the Anderson Y, gave a talk to women and girls and repeated it by request at the County Institute held at Elwood.

Girls, invite your County President to visit your Union and get acquainted with her. She can help you. Mrs. Retta Jones visited Anderson Y, June 3, the Carrie Nation evening, and gave them a very helpful talk.

Now that school has closed, plan your contests and put some money into your treasury for local work. The Secretary has sent out thirty-one report blanks for the third quarter's report. Collect dues, invite visitors, be prompt, study God's word and go often to Him in prayer and the victory is yours.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

I have not taken any of the valuable space in the MESSAGE for two months because I thought the Marys would need it all during the institutes; but now as they are about closing, I would like to say to you that I hope every worker feels that she is greatly strengthened by the help of our leaders for the days that are to come, so that for the last quarter of our year's work we may every one try very hard to get some other sister to join our ranks. We need her and she needs to become interested in our great cause. If our dear friends will continue to contribute to our organization fund, as so many have already done, may we not believe that many more will be added to us? Let us avail ourselves of the opportunity to bring our work before the public, especially at prohibition rallies and open-air meetings that will be held during the summer months. I believe the contest is growing in favor with the people. In almost every neighborhood a class could be organized with the children or young people that would be a great benefit, not only to themselves, but also to those who come to hear them speak. Then let every White Ribboner say to herself, "What can I do to arouse the people of my country to the great sin and destruction of the saloon?"

EUNICE P. WILSON.

Will you kindly announce in your State Paper the Temperance Topics for Chautauqua, New York? They are as follows: Tuesday, July 23—"Obstacles to Scientific Temperance Instruction," Mrs. S. M. D. Fry. Wednesday, July 24—"A Model Mothers' Meeting," Mrs. Helen L. Bullock. Thursday, July 25—"School Savings Banks as Character Builders," Mrs. S. L. Oberholtzer. Friday, July 26—"Saloon Revenues, Minus Saloon Damages, Equals What?" Mrs. Carrie L. Grout. The Temperance Topics are under my supervision, but they are a part of the Woman's Club work, the same as Home, Education, Philanthropy, Social Ethics and Missionary Topics. Mrs. B. T. Vincent, Greeley, Col., is President of the Club and has been for many years. I have the honor to be one of the Vice-Presidents. The Club meets every morning from 9 to 10 o'clock in the Hall of Philosophy. We are believing that many W. C. T. U. women will make it convenient to be present on our Temperance days, as July 31 has been selected for our W. C. T. U. Congress at Buffalo and the two can easily be combined. All the papers before the Woman's Club are open to discussion.

SUSANNA M. D. FRY.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in November at Fort Worth, Texas. Greatly reduced railroad rates will be granted. Now is the time to begin to plan for such a trip. Many will go from Indiana.

ASK ALL MINISTERS TO OBSERVE TEMPERANCE SUNDAY, JUNE 23.



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JUNE, 1901.

## QUESTIONS FOR EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

Are you keeping a careful record of your work? Have you received a copy of the Plan of Work? If not, please let me know and I will see that you have it immediately. I have been unable to reach some of the unorganized counties, as I have no names for reference. I am very anxious that each County and Local Superintendent should have my Plan of Work. It will not be my fault if you do not have it. Have the County Superintendents send to the Locals the copies furnished them? Dear co-workers, your State Superintendent earnestly desires your co-operation. I believe you will not disappoint her. Let us make this the best year in our history. I am expecting to do some work in Benton County in June and could stop, going or coming, for a few days' work.

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

## TO EVERY UNION IN THE STATE.

Mrs. Searles, of Wabash, the State Superintendent of Colored Work, has removed to the West. On this account she resigned her position. I was appointed in her place to fill the unexpired term of a few months and as they are so few, I must speak quickly to all the Unions through our organ, the MESSAGE, instead of taking time and money to write. Take this then as a personal matter, and I would ask the President or Secretary of each Union to read at their next meeting my plan of work, which I give below. Act promptly, do something and then let me hear from you, so the work can be reported at the next State Convention. If you have already been at work along this line, let me hear from you and you will have the credit.

SUSAN W. CLARK.

## PLAN OF WORK.

Send to the State Superintendent answers to the following questions:

1. Give number of colored people of your community? 2. Have you held gospel temperance meetings with them? If so, how many? 3. Number of mother's meetings held? 4. Number of children's meetings held? 5. Number of signatures to total abstinence pledge? 6. Number of pages literature distributed? Number of cards given away? 7. Number signatures to the Sunday school? 8. Number of W. C. T. U.'s and L. T. L.'s organized? 9. What is the outlook for work among them? 10. Do they manifest much interest in the temperance work?

Each local Union can see that if they select one or more of these questions as their basis of work, and then do the best they can to carry it out, what a report we can have! Appoint a local superintendent. Where will you begin? Just as near to your home as you can; each individual or union in their own locality. Choose some church or Sunday school; help gather children into it. Try to be there on Temperance Sunday; ask to present some temperance truths, and have literature ready to distribute. A few mothers can be gathered together in a home or a church. This mothers' meeting can be made interesting and very profitable, for the colored people are accustomed to talk in their religious gatherings. A gospel temperance meeting can be held in some of the churches, the ministers aiding by announcing such meetings from the pulpit. This would be a good thing to do, because in this way the men could be reached. And still farther, quarterly mass meetings, arranged with even more care. These can be held in different parts of the city, grouping together several churches in same locality. At each meeting have the pastors of these churches given a place on the program. Have pledge cards for old or young to sign.

Perhaps some will feel inclined to take up the L. T. L. work, which we know is so important. Perhaps you can so interest a band of mothers that eventually you can have a new union to preside over.

Now, dear sisters, I have given my plan, or suggested some work you could do, and I do hope I will

not have to say, "The harvest is great but the laborers are few," but that all will do their part, so that in the near future your county can have a good report along this line.

SUSAN H. CLARK,  
State Superintendent.

## DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION.

How the 1,500 new members are coming in!  
Marion County, Riverside Union, organized by Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.

White County, Monticello Union, by Miss Mary Hadley.

Vigo County, Prairie Union, by Mrs. Ada L. Squires.

Allen County, East Side Union, Fort Wayne, organized by County President Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.

Floyd County, Beulah Union, by Mrs. Dr. Jones, New Albany, County President.

Putnam County, Bainbridge Union, by Miss Hadley, at the close of their Institute.

Bartholomew County, ten new members, the result of Mrs. Brand's visit, with promise of several more.

We wish to call the attention of our County Presidents to this effort for organization and an increase of 1,500 members by September 15. The department of organization will send an organizer to the county that wants one and will get ready for her upon these terms: Make a route for a week; advertise the meetings in all the county newspapers; read written notices from the pulpits; bulletin boards in public places; advertise the worker by the same mediums; advertise the work. Write personal letters to reliable friends and enlist them to help in the work of advertising. If there are special meetings going on anywhere in your county, send a notice of this work with a list of the meetings and a word concerning the worker, to the chairman of the meeting and ask him to read it and urge attendance. Arrange to entertain the speaker. Use all the arts known to secure liberal collections at the meetings and the department will not hold you responsible for any deficit in the finances. Write the chairman of the department of organization at once. First come, first served. Who is the chairman of organization? Mary E. Balch, 711 East 11th Street, Indianapolis. If our members would have a desire to secure one member and work for it, our increase would stir the world. Dear sisters, I have tried it often enough to know it is a task to get one member, but it can be done.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

Will you not put forth an earnest effort to bring up the temperance work in the Sunday Schools on our next Temperance Sunday, June 23? This will be the most auspicious Temperance Sunday of the year—except Universal Temperance Sunday—for pronounced and effective work. Lesson text, Rev. 21, 1-7; 22-27. Topic, "A New Heaven and a New Earth." Golden text, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be His God, and He shall be My Son."

## TEMPERANCE TEACHING POINTS.

1. The liquor traffic is the fruitful source of tears, death, sorrow, crying and pain, from all of which Heaven will be free.
2. There is hope even for the drunkard in the promise, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things."
3. Every righteous ruler of himself will add some brightness to the glory of Heaven.
4. Total abstinence from that which will defile the body is essential in order to the highest moral and spiritual development.

I trust that these points may prove beneficial to many and that you will let me hear from you, the visible results from this day's work.

Last December, Indiana won the banner from the National Department of Sunday School Work, for the greatest increase of Local Superintendents. If you will report faithfully the names of Superintendents appointed this year, there is no doubt but that we may keep this beautiful banner yet another year. Otherwise, we must give it over to another State.

Write to me

ALICE G. GEARY,  
State Superintendent.

## A HELPER IS NEEDED IN MANILA.

I do not think it would be wise to ask each Union to give toward this fund. It does seem, though, as if it would be an easy matter to raise \$1,600 by the following plan: Ask 200 people to give \$1 each—\$200; 300 people to give 50 cents each—\$150; 1,000 people to give 25 cents each—\$250; 5,000 people to give 10 cents each—\$500; 10,000 people to give 5 cents each—\$500. This \$1,600 would pay for a helper and a room and also furnish the room. The money must be sent from Local to County, from County to State and from State to National Treasurer, and the National officers should select and have charge of the White Ribboners sent. Many people are fearful about collecting money, thinking perhaps that the soldiers will be returned from Manila, but there are from 40,000 to 46,000 to stay there. Think of it! A standing army of that many being debauched and diseased by their vicious lives in that country! Oh, how much they need the help of a good woman! They are surrounded by a great many bad ones. White Ribboners would be glad to give a nickel at least, and then there would be nothing compulsory. It would be a free-will offering. Please, dear friend, help a little.

ELLA M. THATCHER,  
National Superintendent Soldiers and Sailors.

## DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE.

The thirty-seven State Superintendents of the Indiana W. C. T. U. are organized into a board, with President, Secretary and Treasurer. The duties of these officers are those usual to the office, and they also serve as program committee for an annual conference.

The third annual conference of this board convened at Columbus, June 4, 5 and 6, and the growth of the work, as was indicated by the attendance and subject-matter given to the people, was most encouraging. The officers of the board were present. They are, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Indianapolis, President; Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion, Secretary; Mrs. Anna B. Kilmer, Peru, Treasurer. The following members were present: Mesdames Balch, Clark, Boyd, Hadley, Vayhinger, Stahl, Woody, Haughton, Wood, Tompkins and Gresham. Bessie Straw, L. T. L. Associate Secretary, was also present. Mrs. E. D. Hardy sent regrets and a letter approving the continuance of the Board Conference and one dollar for its support. Mrs. Etta Ayers sent a substitute—Mrs. West, of Columbus. Mrs. Moser sent letter of regret and \$5 for organization fund. Mrs. Jennie Irwin sent a substitute in the person of Mrs. Frances Metz, of West Indianapolis. Miss Lavina Bailly was represented by Mrs. Jennie Guffy, of Hope; Mrs. Dr. Jessup-Smith by Dr. Homer J. Hall, Franklin, department of Non-Alcoholic Medication; and Miss Ethel Tyree McWhirter by Mrs. Kilmer.

Every department had its literature on the table and a letter or card of regret. No pains had been spared by the local committee to advertise and to entertain and make the delegates welcome. Every Union in the county was represented, Petersburg winning silver medal for the best attendance. There were from twenty to thirty Local and ten County Superintendents in attendance. The following Crusaders were brought to the platform: Julia Overman, Marion; E. A. Haughton, Richmond; Mrs. Kominger, Hope; M. O. Tompkins, Elkhart; Mesdames West, Stucky, Beech, Buxson and McLeod, Columbus; and Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City. The State workers paid visits to and held services in the jail, city hospital, poor farm, orphans' home, colored church and some Unions. A colored Union was organized and an L. T. L., and nine names taken for a Y. A number of additions to the local Union and a donation of \$5 to the Industrial School were secured by one of the solicitors. Subscriptions were taken for the Union Signal and Young Crusader and literature sold and given away. Home-defender badges shone on a number of the ladies' dresses, which means attention to law enforcement. Mrs. Hattie Brand represented the Y Branch, Miss Sears not being present.

The conference members took their dinners on the roof garden of the church, something entirely new and most enjoyable. Miss Boyd gave thirty minutes lessons in physical culture at 8 A. M. and 5 P. M. each day and the pathetic story of Jack the Fisherman, with stereopticon illustrations. Miss Kearney was not able to fill her place on the program and Mrs. E. M. Haughton was chosen to take her place, and she gave the audience a real enthusiastic, stirring, up-to-date address. Bartholomew county gave \$6 to the board, and this was a great delight to the Treasurer, who must have the books balance, "no debt" being the white ribbon rule of conduct.

The following is an extract from a letter from one of our Indiana White Ribboners who now lives in Ohio:

"Oh, how I did want to go to the Frankfort convention! I was there in spirit. The Frankfort papers, which I ordered sent to me during the convention, were a great comfort and blessing. I still keep in touch with Indiana and take the MESSAGE. I mean no flattery when I say that I like it much better than I do the Ohio state paper, the Messenger. The latter is larger and contains more printer's ink, but in my opinion it is not nearly so helpful to the rank and file. I also have a copy of Indiana Minutes and have been comparing them with those of Ohio. I have been learning what a difference there is in the work of the two states, and I confess that it surprises me. I consider Indiana's Plan of Work by far the best; but, you know, they haven't any Mrs. Mary Balch here. I always knew that we had a bright and energetic set of women, but now I appreciate them as I never did when I was with them. They don't seem to do much along department lines; they need the Institute work badly. Here, we only have one county meeting a year. Another thing I cannot get accustomed to, is that they have no White Ribbon hymnals. They do not know our special songs, not even 'Some Glad Day.'"

The Indiana W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Kokomo, October 4-9. On account of the splendid location, the cordial invitation the magnificent church accommodations and the generous hospitality of the Kokomo people, we will no doubt have an enthusiastic convention. Every Union should send delegates.

On Temperance Sunday the ministers should be asked to preach on some phase of temperance. Agitation is absolutely necessary to bring ultimate success. In the Sunday Schools this subject should be presented in an interesting manner. See to it Sunday School workers; consult the superintendent and teachers and arrange for a program.



## FRANCES E. WILLARD'S PLEA FOR ORGANIZATION.

Alone, we can do little. Separated, we are the units of weakness; but aggregated, we become batteries of power. Agitate, educate, organize—these are the deathless watchwords of success. The fingers of the hand can do little alone, but correlated into a fist they become formidable. The plank borne here and there by the sport of the wave is an image of imbecility, but frame a thousand planks of heart of oak into a hull, put in your engine with its heart of fire, fit out your ship, and it shall cross at a right angle those same waves to the port it has purposed to attain. We want all those who are like-minded with us to put down the dram-shops, exalt the home, redeem manhood and uplift womanhood, to join hand with us for organized work according to a plan. It took the allied armies to win at Waterloo, and the alcohol Napoleon will capitulate to a no less mighty army.

It is the way commerce has marched across continents and captured them for civilization, one by one; it is the way an army is recruited, one by one; it is the way Christ's Church is built.

Our badge—a bow of white ribbon. Hour of prayer—noontide.

"Tis always noontide somewhere;  
And across the shining continents from shore to shore,  
Somewhere our prayers are rising evermore."  
—Adapted from Longfellow.

We are one world of tempted humanity; the mission of the white ribbon woman is to organize the motherhood and maidenhood of the world for the peace and purity, the protection and exaltation of its homes. We must send forth a clear call to our sisters yonder across all seas, and to our brothers none the less. We must no longer be hedged about by the artificial boundaries of states and nations. We must utter as women what good and great men long ago declared as their watchword: "The whole world is my parish, and to do good my religion."—*Frances E. Willard.*

We have but to stand firm to that which we know is right; to look out and on even when the darkness seems to close around us and, above all, to hold out hands to those whose steps are feebler than our own, whose eyes are dimmed and who have not seen the light.—*Lady Henry Somerset.*

## ORGANIZATION FUND.

Previously reported.....	\$48.00
Gulie Shugart, Jonesboro.....	1.00
Bennet Shugart, ".....	1.00
Flora C Joy, ".....	1.00
Iona L. Joy, ".....	1.00
Cynthia Winslow, Fairmount.....	1.00
Mary Bond, ".....	1.00
Ella Dougherty, ".....	1.00
Hannah Murry, Marion.....	1.00
Anna Joy, ".....	1.00
Mary Shugart, ".....	1.00
Elma S. Thomas ".....	.50
Mary Bradford, Jonesboro.....	.50
Rena P. Smith, Michael.....	.50
Eliza Baker, Life Membership, by Benton Co....	15.00
Central Union, Indianapolis.....	5.00
May Moser, Loogootee.....	5.00
Total.....	\$84.50

The *White Ribbon Banner*, of Connecticut, says: "According to our constitution, the duties of a W. C. T. U. Treasurer are more comprehensive than those of the Treasurers of most other organizations. A Union's President may plan her campaign every so wisely; her Secretaries may record and forward her orders as faithfully and promptly, but unless an energetic Treasurer provides the 'sinews of war' the victory gained will be but doubtful. She must be ever alert to 'devise ways and means to increase the funds in the treasury.' It is not enough that the Treasurer attend the annual and succeeding meetings to receive the fees brought her there. There are many 'shut in' members to be visited. They form no small part of our army. Their prayers supplement our work, or rather, our work supplements their prayers. Then there are the members who forget or are too busy to attend meetings, but are ready to pay if called upon; the members who 'belong to so many societies,' 'don't think it amounts to much,' 'can't attend meetings,' so won't renew. The Treasurer needs to exercise infinite tact to meet all these cases. She must be thoroughly informed, that she may be able to tell of the grand achievements of national and world, as well as state and local workers. She should so speak that not a member will be willing to lose the privilege of sharing in this work. She should never let a name be dropped from her list through her neglect. In large Unions it is advisable to divide this work, each Vice-President or a collector taking the members in her own church. The list of honorary members is too small in all our Unions. A good Treasurer will seek to remedy this. Choose a time when a business man is not hurried and wear your most stylish and becoming street dress, never forgetting the white ribbon. Tell him briefly about home and general work. In all the different lines followed, you cannot fail to find something in which he is interested and you will usually be rewarded

by the dollar and his interest in your efforts. If he is not willing to sign the pledge and become an honorary member, he will probably become a 'contributor.' Any sum promised should be faithfully collected.

"Mrs. Fry, in the *Union Signal*, tells of an instance where five dollars promised annually was only called for once and another five dollars entirely overlooked. A membership receipt book is a great convenience and shows a treasurer to be business like in its use."

Many of our Indiana Treasurers are efficient.

If a treasurer is faithful, the President and other officers should be appreciative and let the burden of advancement lay heavily upon their hearts. When this is done, every Union will become aggressive. Each officer has a special work to do. Each Superintendent has a special work to do. If for any reason any one of these cannot do the work, it is usually best for someone else to be given the work to do. Inactivity of officers and Superintendents indicates lack of interest. By their fruits ye shall know them.

If you are going to move into another part of the State, or elsewhere, be sure and get a new member to fill your place. If a member goes to heaven, her place should be filled by another without delay. We should not have our ranks broken. See to it, sisters, that such may not be the case in your Union.

## FOURTH OF JULY.

In every community there is opportunity for a grand temperance Rally on July 4, if plans are arranged in time.

We must not let this National Holiday be entirely given over to the foolish expenditure of time and money. In many places the day is greatly dreaded by the good citizens, because it brings with it the burning of much powder and drinking of great quantities of liquor. This condition must be changed and the temperance people can do it if they will.

We are rejoiced to know of the many Unions that have planned for a grand rally day. In every instance, if a good program is arranged, good musicians engaged and much advertising done for weeks in advance, a large crowd will be in attendance.

To insure success, business men advertise largely. By their experience we must profit and do likewise. Where immense posters for a Fourth of July Rally are seen at the cross-roads and in prominent places in the towns adjoining, a large crowd may be expected.

If your Union is small and you have not engaged speakers and arranged a program, have a picnic, distribute literature and hold a medal contest. Take the older people and the boys and girls to the woods for the day.

The Bay View W. C. T. U. Institute forms a regular part in the Bay View Assembly program this year as usual, the Institute beginning July 17 and continuing until July 27.

Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, President of the Texas W. C. T. U., is the leader. Her assistants are Mrs. P. J. Howard, of Petosky, Mich.; Mrs. Harriet Kells, President Mississippi W. C. T. U.; Rev. Frances Townsley, Vassar, Mich.; Mrs. Upham, President Wisconsin W. C. T. U.; Mrs. Hattie Brand, State Organizer of Indiana; Mrs. Mary Read Goodale, President Louisiana W. C. T. U.; Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mrs. Hopper, Corresponding Secretary Illinois W. C. T. U.; and Mrs. L. Ormiston Chant, of London, England.

There are special rates to Petosky and Bay View. At no place on the Great Lakes are there to be found so many White-Ribboners.

## DEPARTMENT OF ORGANIZATION.

Perhaps there is room for one more last word, for a whole month, on this very important theme. Now when there is so very much to do we need new members. The rum traffic says the Anti-Canteen law must be set aside—the War Department says the same. It will take a hard contested effort to defeat their will in this respect. There are cogent reasons for doubling our membership. How many yet believe that beer is a life-giving beverage? Not only the sot and brewer, but Christian mothers in a gospel home and land—intelligent women with influence, taking the side of beer. There is a call, an urgent call for a beer crusade. Give us the new members and the new workers.

If counties will make a route of a week for an organizer, advertise the meetings, and entertain the speaker and correspond with the Chairman of Organization, we can arrange to have the work done and our 1500 new members secured. "I'll try, did wonders," we have been telling the children, and I believe it is true. Not a moment to lose; not a worker idle; and every one help the organization fund, more or less as they can.

## BLANKET REPORT BLANKS.

It comes to our knowledge that some are ignorant of the action of the State to send out the blanket report blanks only once—the last quarter of the year. If every one who should keep a record is doing so, the blank will come on time and we shall have good reports.

Do not order literature of the Corresponding Secretary, but of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago, Ill.

## FIELD NOTES.

Eaton Union held successful medal contests on March 20, May 13 and June 3, at their Institute, when Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave her startling address, "Five Boys in Knee Pants."

Y. W. C. T. U. of South Bend is holding a series of Purity Meetings. They have secured a large hall, centrally located, and have the meetings open to the public. These meetings will be addressed by Miss A. E. Hill, one of the city high school teachers; Dr. Martha V. Thomas and Miss Brennen, of the city hospital, all fine purity speakers. Much good will certainly be derived from these meetings. Two of them have been held already and there was an unusually large attendance at each.

The Young Abstinents' Club—local name for the Y—gave a banquet to their new members last Thursday evening. They had a good literary and musical program. As soon as school commencement is over they will give their first medal contest. Leader, Alice Ruth Palmer, 547 N. Hohman street, Hammond, Ind. They meet every Thursday evening and if anything interferes, they choose another evening, but they will meet and they all attend.

Deer Creek (country) is a circulating Union and moves about regularly among the different churches within a radius of ten miles. We have 39 paid-up members and 12 honoraries, and are in a thrifty condition. Our treasury shows \$16.00 on hand. We are just now arranging to specialize in our parliamentary department and are soon to have a called meeting for a drill.  
MISS ANNA THOMAS, Reporter.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson conducted the Fountain County Institute, in Covington, on May 10 and 11. Owing to the house-cleaning, the day sessions were not well attended, but the evening meetings and Sabbath services aroused much interest. Rev. Fowler, of the Presbyterian Church, invited Mrs. Gibson to preach for him on Sunday morning. The contest netted \$8.40 and the collections about \$5.00.

Jay County Institute was held in the M. E. Church, Pennville, April 4 and 5. Mrs. Haughton was our leader. Mrs. Ada Coleman, of Bryant, our County President, and a large number of members of that Union, two being honoraries, Rev. Coleman and Mr. Logan, attended every session of the convention. Rev. Rusley, pastor of the church, Rev. Charles Underwood, of the Christian Church, and Rev. Canfield, of Indianapolis, were also with us. The topics on program were ably discussed and several interesting papers read. Mrs. Haughton was an able leader and a deep spiritual earnestness pervaded the entire session. The evening session was a medal contest. Miss Pearl Butcher, of Bryant, won the medal. Mrs. Coleman's little daughter sang a solo, "Carrie Nation's Hatchet." Mrs. Maud Hoover ably led the music during every session. Fine life-size portraits of Frances Willard and Mother Wallace adorned the walls. The meeting closed with memorial services for Mother Wallace, led by Sarah Mason. Rev. Canfield and others also offered tributes to her memory. A few days after the close of our Institute, our most able helper, Brother Josiah V. Jones, was called suddenly from work to reward. He had been an honorary member of our Union ever since its organization and to him this meeting owed much of its success. The cause of righteousness and prohibition has lost its most earnest advocate in our community. We pray his mantle may fall on other shoulders.

Wayne County Institute was held May 21 at Richmond. At a previous meeting of the Executive Committee a full program was arranged, which was carried out, all being promptly on hand for their respective duties. The Institute was held in the North End Mission Church, which was built and is controlled by the Mary F. Thomas Union of the city. A good Sabbath School and regular preaching and prayer services are held here and a branch Union and L. T. L. have also been recently organized here. The Sunday School young ladies furnished music on organ and piano, and the L. T. L. for the evening meeting. There were good reports from all the Unions. The County donated \$5.00 to Island Park Assembly, though Wayne County is not represented on the program. Mrs. Dr. Hopkins read an excellent paper on "The Significance of Our Badge." Mrs. E. M. Haughton, National Evangelist, conducted the Bible reading. Rev. Kemper, of the M. E. Church, and Rev. Spicer, of the Disciples, made excellent addresses at the evening meeting. The dinner was served in the church. All felt benefited and encouraged by the words of cheer and reports of success.

Mrs. Louisa H. Swartz, President of Nappanee Union, writes: "The entertainments given by the Rev. C. E. Davis, of Marion, were indeed fine. Local Unions would do well to secure him, even if he should charge ten or fifteen dollars a night."

The Frances Willard Y was organized in the Seventeenth Street Church, Indianapolis. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Josie Oakley, 1715 Columbia ave.; Vice-President, Miss Minnie Ebert, 422 W. Washington st.; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Flo. Bush, 2223 Columbia ave.; Recording Secretary, Ora Morris, 1715 Columbia ave.; Miss Mamie Statin, Treasurer, 968 West Washington st.; Superintendent of Departments, Flower Mission Department, Miss Hazel Sparks, 1710 Columbia ave.; Contests, Mr. Wm. Oakley, 1715 Columbia ave.

JULY 4 SHOULD BE OBSERVED BY THE TEMPERANCE PEOPLE EVERYWHERE.



## FROM MISS MARY HADLEY.

Reaching Chalmers on Saturday evening, I occupied the Baptist pulpit on Sabbath morning and the M. E. pulpit in the evening, the latter on the urgent request of the minister, who was present. A lovely Y branch of thirteen members was organized with Mrs. Louisa E. Darling, of Chalmers, a consecrated young woman, as the efficient and willing leader.

The W's are justly proud of this most hopeful acquisition and have gone to work at once to help the new branch to grow.

This work, following that of Wolcott, at and following their Institute, causes dear White County to rejoice in the victories she is scoring. Their able County President, Mrs. Etta White, and Local Presidents, Mesdames Wilson and Pettit, are most earnest and sacrificing. I have just reached Monticello. Pray for the work here.

## PLAN OF WORK COMMITTEE.

County Presidents—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore; Mrs. Emma Saylor, Frankfort; Mrs. Sadie Eves, North Vernon.

State Superintendents—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Indianapolis; Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis.

Organization—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.

This committee is to prepare the Plan of Work and to put it in print ready to place in the hands of the delegates at our next annual convention, that every one may have time to consider the plan before voting on it.

## RESPONSIVE READINGS FOR LOCAL UNIONS.

They are convenient, instructive, up to date, direct in teaching, and it is greatly to be desired that Local Unions have their W. T. P. A. agents order samples of the very latest and try them, and then take a year's subscription, thirteen copies coming to one address for a year for \$1. They can be addressed to your President or Secretary, as you choose, and then handed out at your regular meetings, like Sunday School lesson leaves. Having used them in your meetings, they are still good to gather up and hand out.

**Dearborn County Institute** was held in Dillsboro. Leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute. Mrs. Vayhinger, the County President, has an excellent corps of workers, who greatly aided in all the work. Miss Hattie Van Dolah was made Secretary, Miss Grace Pate, Press Reporter and Miss Bertha Stout, Treasurer. The following address on "What Results May We Expect?" by Mrs. Vayhinger, was able, logical and convincing. The local newspapers speak in very commendatory terms of the address. A general discussion followed, by Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Ella Rose, Mrs. Lucy Smith, Miss Edith Spencer, of Moore's Hill, Mrs. Jennie Ward, of Guilford, Mrs. Emily Walker, Mrs. R. A. Perlee, Mrs. Eva Garrison, Miss Maggie Stout and Mrs. Kate Libbert. "Temperance Literature" by Mrs. Lucy Smith. Rev. C. T. White conducted a spirited song and testimony service, which was inspiring. "Duty of a Treasurer" was earnestly presented by Mrs. R. A. Perlee, the County Treasurer, followed by an animated discussion. "The Cigarette" by Mrs. Stout, was of vital interest. Mrs. Lucy Smith read an interesting paper on "The Drink Evil, Including the Army Canteen," followed by a general applause. Mrs. Cobb, of Aurora, spoke on the same subject and was tendered a vote of thanks. "Laws for Promoting Purity," prepared by Mrs. Virgil Faulkner, was read by Miss Medlin. An excellent paper on "Promoting Equality in Citizenship" was read by Miss Lizzie Perlee, which was one of the leading features of the day. Mrs. Ward spoke on the L. T. L. and was requested by the boys and girls to organize a legion. "Why Should We Wear Our Badges?" by Mrs. Pearce, was followed by discussion. A practical letter on "County Fair Work," from Mrs. Ida Eubank, of Guilford, was read. Mrs. Eubank will distribute temperance literature at the Lawrenceburg Fair. Words of encouragement from Drs. A. G. Miller, J. W. Dashiell, J. A. Sargent, C. T. White and Rev. C. M. Croft were greatly appreciated. "How Can a Temperance Reformation Best be Promoted?" was presented by Miss Grace Pate, and followed by discussion. A parliamentary drill by Mrs. Pearce was greatly enjoyed. "When Does Expediency Become Compromise?" was handled in a masterful manner by Rev. C. T. White. Dr. Dashiell's stirring address on "The Advancement of Woman" was highly appreciated. The helpful words of Rev. Allen Helms and Mrs. Alice Jewett added to the interest of the meeting. The reception was well attended and all enjoyed the talks by Rev. Sylvester and Prof. Vayhinger, and the special music. The Institute is reported in the local papers as a "glorious success, and all who attended were greatly benefited."

A short, but good, session of Institute at Wolcott, County President, Mrs. Etta White, faithfully in charge. Following Institute, on request of the teachers of the public schools, I presented Scientific Temperance to all the grades, then organized a most interesting Y of fifteen members. President, Miss Josephine Miner; Vice-President, Mr. Lowell Taylor; Vice-President, Miss Fae Hackley; Recording Secretary, Miss May Collins; Corresponding Secretary, Bertha Boulder; Treasurer, Miss Maude E. Geiger, all of Wolcott. This hopeful organization includes the high school teacher and two other leading teachers. Work well begun here. Pray for Monticello, where I go soon.

MARY HADLEY.

**South Bend** has a new L. T. L. under the supervision of the Willard Memorial Y. Miss Mabel Jeffries, Superintendent; Miss Myrtie Huey, assistant.

**Madison County Institute**—Monday morning, May 5, the Madison County W. C. T. U. Institute was called to order by the Leader, Mrs. Cammack-Gibson. Quite a good number present, considering the rain. The County President, Mrs. Retta Jones, was ready at all times to help and entered into the discussions at 3:45. Pupils of the Elwood High School came in, and Mrs. R. W. McMahan, of Anderson, gave an address on "Social Purity," and the young people said they were helped. In the evening, besides good music, Mrs. Gibson delivered her lecture on "Five Boys in Knee Pants." We wish that parents could be reached by her earnest and helpful words. The papers on "L. T. L. Work," Mrs. Adair; "What is Temperance?" Prof. Fitzgibbons, Superintendent Public Schools—he donned the White Ribbon and became a member; "When Does Expediency Become Compromise?" Rev. Sarah Stoner, of Pendleton; "Woman in the Past Century," Mrs. Edith Cascadend, Lapel, were among the good things. Second evening, a fine contest was conducted by the County Superintendent of Medal Work, Mrs. Carrie Quinn, and one of the best County Institutes was enjoyed. The Y. W. C. T. U. of Anderson will entertain the fall convention.

**Mrs. Rose Pearce**, of Terre Haute, gave Free Speech at Galena, Floyd County, for the State on Sabbath, May 12, and was well liked. This Union has an L. T. L. of fifteen members.

**Union County** held its convention May 9. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley was again chosen President on the informal ballot. Held a contest in the evening, Miss Katie Douglas, of College Corner, Ohio, winning the medal.

**Monon Union** feel greatly benefited by a visit from Miss Mary Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Institutes, who has been doing excellent work in different parts of White County. While with us, she spoke in the M. E. Church, Sunday morning, May 12, to a fairly good audience, most of whom appreciated it very much. She also presented the subject of "Scientific Temperance" by chart to the pupils of the High School. Her work in that line is excellent and it is a subject that should be presented in that manner in every school in the State.

**Fairmount Union** is preparing for a Fourth of July celebration at the Wesleyan camp ground. We aim to invite the surrounding Unions and everybody else. We will secure good speakers and expect large results.

**Morgan County Institute** met at Mooresville April 29 and 30, and each session was very profitable under the leadership of Miss Hattie Brand. A matrons' silver medal contest was held Monday evening, in which three different Unions were represented. Mrs. Mamie Utter, of Martinsville, received the medal. The Y's took charge of Tuesday afternoon's meeting and three excellent papers were read by Y girls. Monrovia invited the County convention the last week in September.

**Madison County Institute** was held at Elwood, May 27 and 28. Notwithstanding the heavy and continuous rains, it was a successful meeting. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson led the services in her usual capable manner and delighted the audience with her lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," on Monday evening. Our faithful County President, Mrs. Retta Jones, was on hand. A medal contest was held on Tuesday evening. Madison County Unions are in good condition and all work together harmoniously.

**Center Union**, Marion County, held a silver medal contest on May 24, with a class of five—four girls and one boy—which was a fine success. Miss Mary Starbuck received the medal. Subject, "The Bridal Wine Cup." Receipts, \$6.05.

**From a Live Union**—It is with pleasure that we publish the names of the following new members of the Converse Union secured during this quarter: Rev. Samuel Trawn, Mrs. Nettie Trawn, Miss Louise Ryder.

**Putnam County Institute** was held at Bainbridge. A large delegation from Greencastle was in attendance. Leader, Miss Mary Hadley. The welcome address was made by Miss Mary Kough; response by the Leader. Miss Gertrude Bissell, of Greencastle, read an excellent paper on "Woman in the Past Century." Mrs. M. A. Jackson, of Bainbridge, spoke on "God's Plan of Dealing With Evil." Mrs. Thomas Bayne, of Greencastle, read a paper on "Narcotics." A parliamentary drill was much enjoyed. A solo by Miss Gordon and a duet by Miss Gordon and Mr. Black were much appreciated. Miss Mattie Hasleman gave an address on jail work. Mrs. S. B. Jackson gave "A Little Talk for Jesus." "The Supremacy of the Church—What Will It Do With the Saloon?" was discussed by Rev. B. D. Beck. Mrs. L. E. Wilkinson read an original paper on "The Present Status of Woman." "What is Temperance and How Can It Best be Promoted?" was a paper by Rev. Vandament. Rev. Oscar Lane discussed the duty of the citizen and the law-maker in regard to reform laws and their enforcement. A lively discussion followed, participated in by Miss Hadley, Mrs. Sherfey, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Webb. The ministers were very helpful. Much interest was manifested and we hope great good will result from the Institute.

**North Vernon Union** was favored with the company of Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger on the evening of June 3. She stopped over night on her way to Columbus and addressed an audience composed largely of young people, in the M. E. Church. Her apt illustrations and happy style of speech were enjoyed by all.

**The South Bend Y** held a very enthusiastic and largely-attended Sabbath Observance meeting at the home of their President, Miss Ina Burton. The devotional exercises were conducted by the County President, Mrs. Kate W. Holler. Subjects discussed were, Sunday Travel, Sunday Newspapers, Sunday Calls and Receptions. A general discussion followed, in which the visitors took an active part. The parliamentary drill was conducted by Mrs. Holler. The Y will hold a medal contest June 10.

**Company A**, Dearborn Division of Indiana Loyal Temperance Legion, was organized at Wright's Corners, May 26, by Mrs. Jennie Ward, County Branch Secretary of Indiana L. T. L. Names of officers are as follows: Leader, Mrs. Alice Pyles; President, Miss Beulah Kyle; Secretary, Louis Randall; Treasurer, Miss Edna Mendell. Moore's Hill and Dillsboro have both voted for an L. T. L. Our W. C. T. U. has taken up the study of L. T. L. lesson manual.

**Milroy** held an Apron Bazar and cleared \$10 for Hadley School. Sent the money and two dollars' worth of unsold aprons. The State Superintendent does not give second prizes in medal work. It is the Union that does it.

**Now is the time** for the W. C. T. U. to urge the town boards to have wells dug in prominent places so that during the hot days of July and August, thirsty people may have good cold water to drink.

**If you are a Local or County Superintendent** of a department, you should read the report of your department for last year in the Annual Report. Borrow a copy of your President—or better still, send 15 cents in postage to Mrs. M. E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh street for a copy for yourself. Superintendents cannot afford to be satisfied with little effort made. The need is great and requires the efforts of consecrated women who have conviction. If Jennie Caseday could accomplish so much, confined to a sick-bed for so many years, what might you do with health and innumerable other blessings? God help you to be found doing something for temperance every day.

**Wear your White Ribbon** on all summer gowns. Traveling and at hotels it will bring to you congenial people. It will preach little sermons far more eloquently in its purity and silence perhaps than you can now fully appreciate.

**The printed Annual Programs** of some of the W. C. T. Unions are very beautiful this year. In publishing the State Reports the faces of many of the State Superintendents were used. The cuts then used are still good and no doubt would be loaned to Unions desiring to use one or more on the next year's program.

**Home Defender**, of Chicago, says: "There seems to be an intense hatred against temperance and its promoters, even in church circles. Dr. Swallow, editor of an independent paper and manager of the Methodist book rooms at Harrisburg, Pa., recently attacked ministers and the Methodist Church in general for its laxity in regard to the liquor question, and in consequence we understand church and Sunday School workers have gone so far as to boycott his paper and his church material. If this is the case we think the matter has been allowed to run too long, and the time is ripe for church workers who are in sympathy with Dr. Swallow to come forward and make his sales better than before."

**As to what** the National Union has done for the Prohibition party, Miss Willard said: "We have simply let it be known to the whole world that we have discovered that the saloon is entrenched in politics, even more firmly than in law and that our sympathies, appreciation and gratitude must necessarily go with the voters who carry this issue straight to the caucus, the convention, and the ballot box, voting only for men who are pledged to give us prohibition."

**Mr. Robt. Leck**, the husband of our State Superintendent of Fairs and Outdoor Meetings, met with a very painful accident recently. In an effort to stop his runaway team he received serious injuries, from which he is slowly recovering.

**Mrs. Carrie Quinn**, Madison County Medal Contest Superintendent, recently held a contest at Elwood. The contestants were Medda Shores, Carrie Bockover, Georgia Woods, Lizzie Lloyd and Gladys Drake. The medal was won by Georgia Woods. Despite the rainy weather, the receipts were \$6.60. A Musicale and Oratorical Contest is being planned for the near future.

## IN MEMORIAM.

AMBOY W. C. T. U.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His providence has seen fit to remove from our midst one who has been a member of our Union from its first organization, Elizabeth E. Iamb, be it

**Resolved**, That while we deeply feel the loss of our sister, whose life has instilled within it the principles of virtue and truth, a mother and wife of unselfish love, we render unto Him, the Great Healer of broken hearts, praise and adoration for such a noble life.

**Resolved**, That we tender our heart-felt sympathy to those near and dear to her, in their great sorrow. We recommend them to the Father of Love, who doeth all things well.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## WHAT IS A FRIEND?

A safe in which one can trust everything.  
A link in life's long chain that bears the greatest strain.  
A star of hope in the clouds of adversity.  
One who understands our silence.  
A jewel whose luster the strong acids of poverty and disaster cannot dim.  
The jewel that shines brightest in the darkness.  
Friendship is one soul in two bodies; the essence of pure devotion.

"Friend is a word of royal tone.  
Friend is a poem all alone."

—Mispah.

## JULY 21, PICNIC DAY.

Birthday of Anna Gordon, our World's Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion.

## AUG. 6, LITERATURE AND FRANCHISE DAY.

The birthday of Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace, Indiana's first President. Observed by special efforts to extend the circulation of leading reform papers, especially the MESSAGE, the Union Signal, Woman's Journal, the New Voice and the Patriot-Phalanx.

The Indiana W. C. T. U. was organized September 3, 1874, at Indianapolis, with Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace as President. There have been during these years but eight Presidents, as follows: Mrs. Zerelda G. Wallace, seven years; Mrs. R. T. Brown, two years; Mrs. M. L. Wells, two years; Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols, six years; Mrs. Mary E. Haggart, one year; Mrs. Lena M. Beck, four years; Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, four years; Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, elected at the last convention. Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Brown were both called to their eternal rest during this year. Mrs. Nichols left us in 1897. Mrs. Haggart is living in Pennsylvania, Mrs. Wells in Tennessee. The others are still actively interested in the Indiana W. C. T. U.

## Y. W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

Miss Sears has returned from a three weeks effort for the building up of organizations and to organize new Unions; going to Steuben County, where the faithful County President, Mrs. Alma Shaw, had the plans laid for work, and with her help organized a W. C. T. U. at Orland and Salem. At Pleasant Lake Miss Sears organized a W. Y. C. T. U. with six members, Miss Nellie Kendel, President. At Ashley a Y. W. C. T. U. of eleven members was secured, Miss Reba Cahow, President. Twenty-eight public meetings were held, forty active and honorary members secured, and thirty-two signatures to the pledge.

The Secretary had the pleasure of spending one afternoon and night in the home of the Secretary of the Goshen Y. W. C. T. U., Mrs. Amanda Kauffman. The Y's are faithful and were preparing for an entertainment, the "Old Maid's Convention," for funds for the Y Reading Rooms, and believe the entertainment would attract the citizens and trust they realized a good sum for their work.

July 25th was the date for South Bend, and there, too, the work was all planned; advertised as only the temperance people can. On Friday evening the Y's held a reception in the Progress Club rooms, to which the young people had been invited. Music, recitations and refreshments, and a talk by Miss Sears, presenting the Pledge. Ten new members were secured by the efforts of those faithful workers, and we pray Father bless and prosper all their efforts to put down the liquor traffic.

Blanks for the 3d quarter have been filled by the following Unions and returned to me: Goodland, Goshen, South Bend, Martinsville, Anderson, Peru; only six out of thirty-four blanks. I call your attention to the condition and ask that your Corresponding Secretaries be prompt, for the next blank will be the Annual Report Blank, and collect dues and secure as many new members as possible. Again I urge all to activity. Let the last quarter be the best.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## WHITE RIBBON SPECIAL TO FT. WORTH.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Ft. Worth, Texas, Nov. 15-20. Greatly reduced rates will be granted by the railroads.

By special arrangement the Indiana delegates and visitors will go through in a special coach from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth without change.

The routes selected are the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis; the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Texas & Pacific from St. Louis to Ft. Worth. The distance from St. Louis to Ft. Worth is seven hundred and forty-three miles. The route passes through Little Rock, the capitol of Arkansas; Mal-

vern, which is located twenty-two miles east of Hot Springs; Texarkana, Marshall, Longview, Minneola and Dallas, Texas.

Now is the time to begin to plan for the going to Ft. Worth. We would especially urge parents to take their boys and girls. By travel, much of a liberal education is gained. Ten days of travel and attendance upon a great National Convention of Reform Forces, will wonderfully stir the hearts of the youth.

Those desiring information in regard to this great trip to the Lone Star State, apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis.

W. C. T. U. COTTAGE, ISLAND PARK, ROME CITY, INDIANA.



White Ribboners, I take pleasure in giving you the picture of our home at Island Park; and in justice to the management there I want to tell you that they are appreciative of our cause and generously help support it. In return, will you plan to visit there on program days (Aug 5 and 6) and longer if possible? If you have not received a copy of the program, write to J. F. Snyder, LaGrange, Ind., for the June Chautauquan. You had better plan to spend the three weeks there from July 24 to August 15. Write to the President of the Assembly W. C. T. U. for particulars.

MARY E. BALCH.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

Dear Sisters and Comrades—It takes a great deal more energy to be a faithful white ribboner when the mercury in the thermometer is dancing about the one hundred mark than when the weather is pleasant and everybody is enthusiastic over some victory won. But what about the enemy we are pledged to fight? Do the saloons ever take a vacation or go to the mountains for the summer months? Do they lock up shop when the air is chilly with December frost? Oh, no. If the deadly work of the legalized saloon stopped but for a day some mother's boy might possibly be saved. Fewer dimes would be taken from the drunkard's starving family for the pockets of those who "putteth the bottle to his neighbor's lips." His business must, therefore, go steadily on. Even while you and me are taking our rest in sleep, thousands of these death traps are running wide open. We should not leave anything undone that would in the least thwart the purposes of those who seek the ruin of others that they may gain. Please do not allow any trivial excuse to keep you from the regular meeting of your local Union. We are making our record on the last quarter of the year now, when so much depends upon the officers of every local Union in the State to gather items of interest. Report all work done. Collect every dollar of membership dues, so that our Secretary and Treasurer can (as our baby often says) "have something nice to tell you" at our coming State Convention at Kokomo.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## PEACE CONGRESS.

"The Peace Congress of all Nations" is the title of a novel and instructive entertainment given recently in Indianapolis under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. and the Young Peoples' Society of the First Friends church, both of which organizations are in favor of Peace and Arbitration, as opposed to war. The church was decorated with the flags of all nations, most prominent among which was a large peace flag. The members of the congress were represented by the following well known people in costume:

Czar of Russia, Thos. Hessong; Aginaldo, Wm. Lacy; Emperor of China, Edward W. Clark; Emperor of Japan, B. F. Watson; Sultan of Turkey, Dr. C. E. Day; Pope Leo, G. E. Brewer; King of England, Orvil Jones; Queen of Holland, Maud Baker; Queen Regent of Spain, Clara Balch; President McKinley, F. T. McWhirter; Paul Kruger, W. P. Socwell; President of France, Chas. Ragan; Emperor William, Wilson Doan.

Mr. F. T. McWhirter, as President McKinley, presided with dignity. As he introduced the characters Mrs. Hattie W. Brand played the national air of the country being represented.

After a motion in favor of disarmament was made by the Czar of Russia and seconded by the President of France, each member presented arguments in favor of or against the motion. Much valuable information concerning general conditions was given, but the consensus of opinion was in favor of peace.

It was difficult to tell whose speech was most enjoyed, but those of Paul Kruger, Aginaldo and the Emperor of Germany were greatly appreciated. The Emperor of Germany cast the only opposing vote, declaring that the strength of his army kept Europe at peace.

At the close, Miss Lavinia Baily, Secretary of the Peace Association of America, made a short address in which she expressed the wish that other organizations might bring the question before the public in this delightful way.

This entertainment was due to the effort of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson and Mrs. Hattie W. Brand. The Y. P. S. C. E. received a per cent of tickets sold and the profits to the W. C. T. U. were placed in our State treasury.

[This entertainment will be given, by request, at several places later in the season, the profits to be divided between the Local Union and the State Treasury.—Ed.]

## TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

All members of a Local Union who will answer at least 50 per cent of the questions on the MESSAGE, the Annual Minutes, the Union Signal and the Annual Leaflet, and a few leading questions as to what our temperance education law requires and what can be done to secure the best enforcement of it, also similar questions pertaining to our anti-narcotic law, shall have their names printed in our Annual Minutes for 1901. Examination papers to be sent to the Recording Secretary, who will prepare the list and report the same to the convention and publish in the Minutes. This will necessitate the careful reading and study of these documents. List of questions to be published in the MESSAGE. Do not wait to begin the reading and study until the questions are given—that is not necessary.

I must call your attention to the above. The year is passing by so rapidly. In the April MESSAGE a list of the questions were published. In making your answers number them to correspond with the questions; don't fail to do this. Send your answers to Rev. Cammack Gibson, Jonesboro, and send by September 1. This is the last call. It will not be spoken of again in the MESSAGE. You need a copy of the Plan of Work or you will lose some premium your Union might win. Send your order for Plan of Work to Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis. Let us do our best.

## SIX PAPERS OF NOTE.

No. 1. "Bible Proof for Teaching Abstinence." Chairman of committee, Mrs. Nellie Virtue Chambers, Westphalia.

No. 2. "Great People Who Were Abstainers." Chairman, Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.

No. 3. "Startling Incidents of the Evil Effects of Social Drinking." Chairman, Mrs. Laura M. Thompson, Greensburg.

No. 4. "The Victories in 1900 in Our Reform." Chairman, Mrs. J. K. Carpenter, 152 East Berry street, Fort Wayne.

No. 5. An L. T. L. story of 1,500 words. Chairman, Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

No. 6. "Personal Reminiscences in W. C. T. U. Service." Chairman, Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.

These papers not to be over ten minutes long, to be written by any White Ribboner and to be in the hands of the Chairmen by August 15, sending stamps for return postage. The Chairmen will select two others and judge of the merits of the papers received, notifying the Corresponding Secretary of the number of papers prepared and sending subject and name and address of writer of the paper considered to be the best, by August 25. The chosen papers to have a place on the State program.

White Ribboners, have you been so busy that you almost forgot these papers of note? Have you a copy of the Plan of Work? If not, will you write me for one at once, if you need it in rounding out the year's work? Please consider, these papers must be in the Chairmen's hands by August 15. We must have a hearty response to this call; it means so much for the added intelligence of our workers. MARY E. BALCH.

The following is quoted from an article urging united effort in regard to the treatment of the flag and indicates the estimate of the power of the W. C. T. U.:

"The Daughters of the American Revolution with organizations in nearly every State in the Union, can draw a lesson from the success of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, which recently stirred public sentiment throughout the country—influenced votes at the poles—made Representatives drop political buncombe, and compelled Congress to pass, by a large majority, the army canteen bill."



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EDITOR, MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

All communications intended for the MESSAGE should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

JULY, 1901.

Dr. R. E. Pretlow, of Danville, preached an able and convincing temperance sermon on April 28, at the Friends' Quarterly Meeting at Paoli, Orange County, the result of which has been the closing of two saloons and the shaking of the foundation of a third. What a power the united efforts of the ministry would be if arrayed in open hostility to the saloon business in every community! Extermination would soon follow.

Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, President of the Texas W. C. T. U., visited her niece, Mrs. Prof. Masters, in Thorntown, en route to Bay View, Mich., where she is the popular leader of the W. C. T. U. Institute, which opens July 17 and continues until July 27.

The rum power is entrenched in custom, hence we must follow it into society; it shields itself behind false theories of science, hence we must follow it into the schools; it is hedged about by the safeguards of law, hence we must follow it into government; but law is based on majorities, hence we must swell the majority who, in the nature of the case, will vote for prohibition, and that means the women-folks.—*Frances E. Willard.*

## A PATRIOTIC FOURTH.

On the Fourth of July there were about sixty places in Indiana where temperance rallies were held. Some of these were largely attended and addresses, excellent music and oratorical contests were the order of the day.

Every true patriot realizes that the time has come when America must not depend upon the victories of the glorious past, but must seriously consider the present and the future. There is indeed little that she has to fear from a foreign enemy, but much from an internal foe. To-day the stars and stripes float over legalized saloons. By the sanction of law the liquor traffic is granted the privilege of dealing out liquid destruction to the bravest, fairest and best young people of which a nation ever could boast. In every place where a rally or outing was held this year, begin now to plan for another next year. We must work if we expect success.

Certainly the more than sixty meetings in our beloved State, conducted by W. C. T. U. Unions and Prohibition leaders, will bear much fruitage for the cause of temperance and the overthrow of the legalized saloon. The day for oratory as a power for moulding and stimulating public opinion is dawning. Before very long the platform, in its advocacy of human liberation from the bondage of rum and of patriotic restoration of the people's opportunities as against the usurpation of spoilsmen and professional politicians, will rise to such eloquence as has not been witnessed since the days of Clay, Phillips, Sumner and Garrison.

## CANTEEN.

In the present agitation of the canteen question these facts should be kept prominently before the public: (1) that seventy-five per cent. of our army are new recruits—mere boys—not "old soaks" who "will drink at any cost;" (2) that eighty-five per cent of our soldiers are in tropics, where intoxicants are doubly deadly; (3) that eighty-five per cent are stationed where the war department controls the outside saloons, from which the canteens are falsely supposed to wean the soldiers.

Even if it could be proved that drunkenness and rioting had increased since the abolition of the canteen, it would not change the principle which is the basis for such abolition. There are no conditions which can make it wise or right for the government to sell liquor to its soldiers. The strongest argument of the friends of the canteen is the existence of the "outside saloon." If those who are clamoring for the restoration of the canteen are honestly and conscientiously aiming to secure the highest welfare and greatest efficiency of the soldier, they will work to abolish the outside saloon, if not from the entire

country, at least from the vicinity of the military forts. The remedy for "increased drunkenness" is not the removal of restrictions within the post, but the placing of more restrictions outside; not the opening of more places of temptation, but the closing of those which are universally admitted to be a menace to army morality and discipline.—*Union Signal.*

## MICHIGAN.

The W. C. T. U. State Convention was held at Marshall. The old officers were re-elected, viz: President, Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, Portland; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Julia R. Parish, Bay City; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. H. Johnson, Flint; Treasurer, Mrs. Stella B. Roben, Big Rapids.

From the State Treasurer's report we glean: Receipts from dues, \$2,000; miscellaneous receipts, \$500; twentieth century thank-offering, \$54; miscellaneous offerings, \$87; total receipts, including balance on hand, \$4,572.87. Expenses for various purposes, \$2,089.09, leaving a net balance of \$2,483.87. This is an increase of \$600 over the previous year. In the State there are 350 unions, with a paid membership of 7,965, a net increase of 225 over last year.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

The past two months have been busy ones at the home. The spring was cold and wet and the entire work of planting, both farm and garden crops, was crowded into the month of May. Our plans for garden have enlarged with the increase of numbers in the school. Instead of planting patches, we have planted acres to garden products. The wheat and hay harvest is near at hand and give promise of fair returns. The strawberry crop was fine and greatly enjoyed by all and put a neat sum in the emergency fund. The picnic of June 7, was a success. A special coach was provided by the railroad officials and left on the track near the grounds for the day, for the accommodation of the picnickers. Nearly seventy persons went down from the city and many neighbors and friends came in to enjoy the day and eat strawberries and cream which were furnished by the home. Many of our State workers were in attendance and gave encouragement by their presence and words of sympathy and appreciation.

Two contests were held during the day by the girls of the home—the small girls in the morning and the larger ones in the afternoon. This was followed by a stirring speech from Mrs. McWhirter, after which a collection was taken. The amount received was sufficient to provide the library with a table and couch and pay for papering the girls' sitting room.

We have just secured a victory in the matter of our day school. Our home now constitutes one of the school districts of the township and from now on will receive its full share of the public money to support its day school in the home. This is a great step in advance. It has been our practice in the day school to follow the State outline of school work, but having no public funds, did not require our teacher to hold a county license. From this on she must hold a license granted by Hendricks County Superintendent and be subject to the rules governing the public school teachers. The township trustee kindly allows us to make choice of the person who is to teach and lead our girls.

The leading citizens of this vicinity are lending their influence in the matter of securing donations of wheat to be placed in the flouring mills to the credit of the Hadley School to be drawn in flour as needed. We feel greatly encouraged by this unexpected help and thankful to these good citizens for so much of the "staff of life."

The aim of this school is to give the girls a chance to become self supporting and useful members of society. The nearer it reaches this goal the greater its claim on the benevolence of its friends.

L. HOBART.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

### RECEIPTS FOR MAY AND JUNE.

Goshen Contest.....	\$4 10
Lebanon.....	6 15
Huntington.....	6 00
Miley Apron Sale.....	10 00
Richmond.....	5 00
May Evertsen.....	20 00
Clara Martin.....	13 30
From Cox Farm.....	50 00
Thorntown.....	2 13
Bridgeport.....	2 84
Mrs. Church.....	50 00
Emma Weatherwax.....	5 00
Laotto Century Pledge.....	2 00
Donation.....	3 00
Dunkirk.....	90
Hadley, Grant County.....	3 00
Mary Moody on Century Pledge.....	1 00
Rochester.....	99
Fountain City.....	1 26
Anna Gordon, Indianapolis.....	10 00

### DISBURSEMENTS FOR MAY AND JUNE.

Mrs. Coolman, matron.....	\$25 00
Mr. Henderson, farm work.....	32 34
Parrott & Taggart.....	2 35
May Pearson, teacher, in full.....	15 00
Mr. and Mrs. Steele, on salary.....	80 00
Groceries.....	23 22
Mrs. Jackson, sewing.....	22 50
Seed potatoes.....	13 50
Soap.....	15 40
Crackers.....	2 40
Potatoes.....	9 60
Emergency Fund.....	29 00
Washing Machines.....	1 50
Sundries.....	8 32

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

## W. C. T. U. DAYS AT WINONA SUMMER ASSEMBLY, JULY 10-12, 1901.

JULY 10.

- 1:30. Praise Service.....Mrs. S. M. Stahl.  
Review and Prevision of Victories,  
    { Mrs. Mary E. Balch.  
    { Mrs. Clara Remington.  
4:00. Children's Meeting, Chart Illustration,  
    Mrs. Cammack-Gibson.

JULY 11.

- 9:00. Devotions.....Mother Trish.  
Music by W. C. T. U. Quartette, Eaton, Ind.  
Business Meeting.  
Assembly W. C. T. U.  
President's Address  
Report of Officers of Assembly W. C. T. U.  
Election of Officers.  
11:00. Gold Medal Anti Narcotic Contest (Boys).  
Address by State President Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson.  
2:00. Devotions.....Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart  
Music.....W. C. T. U. Quartette  
Poem.....Mrs. M. A. Leavitt, Vernon  
Address.....Miss Maria C. Brehm,  
National Franchise Lecturer, Chicago.  
4:00. Children's Meeting.....Mrs. K. T. A. Straw  
Col. Bain's Address in the evening.

JULY 12.

- 9:00. Devotions.....Mrs. S. W. Crouse, LaFayette  
9:30. Symposium on Temperance and Suffrage, Mrs.  
    Retta Jones, Mrs. Jennie Irwin, Mrs. Hattie  
    Brand, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.  
Music.  
Gold Medal Contest.  
Noon Hour of Prayer.

## MARY E. TEATS.

In our State for Purity work. She will begin at Hoagland, August 11, coming to us on the 10th. Her terms are \$5, entertainment and expenses one way from the last place. Please write at once and secure your date, with some advertising matter which Mrs. Teats furnishes. If you will arrange for an afternoon parlor meeting, let it be a reception; and then in the public night meeting you will surely be blest in her coming. Mrs. Mary E. Teats, Evangelist of the Purity Department, National W. C. T. U., is a consecrated Christian woman. Her coming is a blessing to any community. I commend her, not only to the W. C. T. U. workers, but to pastors and educators generally.

MARY WOOD-ALLEN, M. D.,  
National Superintendent Purity Department.



MRS. ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON, State Evangelist,  
Richmond, Ind.

The Mary F. Thomas Union, of Richmond, held the second annual Mothers' Meeting at the North End Mission, June 28, under the care of Mrs. S. Childress, Superintendent of that department. A good attendance, especially of young mothers with their babies. After the exercises, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to all present.

Edwardsport had six new members added during their Institute.

Bloomington W. C. T. U. is responsible for a curfew law, which it is now anxious to have enforced. Wherever there is such a non-enforced law, our Unions should agitate and agitate until enforcement is assured.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson spoke at Cedar, in Randolph County, June 14, the first day of the three days' meeting held at that place every year under the management of Mr. John Lamb.

The Greensburg W. C. T. U. entertained the public in the Court House Park, the Fourth, with a class of three young ladies and as many young gentlemen to contest for an oratorical medal. Cream, cake and lemonade were served. Flags, banners, bunting, galore. A large attendance.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1900-1901.

**President**—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.  
**Vice-President**—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
**Corresponding Secretary**—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis.  
**Recording Secretary**—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
**Treasurer**—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## BRANCH SECRETARIES.

**General Secretary Young Woman's Branch**—Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 West 14th street, Anderson.  
**General Secretary L. T. L. Branch**—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

## I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

**Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.**  
**Organizers**—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
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**Work Among Colored People**—Miss Susan Clark.  
**Work Among Foreigners**—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

**Health and Heredity and Physical Culture**—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

**W. C. T. U. Normal Institute**—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
**Sunday School Work**—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.  
**Scientific Temperance Work**—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Ave., Indianapolis.  
**Parliamentary Usage**—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
**Medal Contests**—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
**Temperance Literature**—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.  
**The Press**—Mrs. May Moser, Loogootee.  
**Purity**—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.  
**Purity in Literature and Art**—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
**Mothers' Meetings**—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
**Anti-Narcotics**—Mrs. Elizabeth Drake, Ft. Wayne.  
**Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Home and Homeless Children**—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, 72 West Main street, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
**Peace and Arbitration**—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
**Relation of Temperance to Labor, and Law and Statistics**—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
**Household Economics**—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.  
**Non-Alcoholic Medication**—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.

## IV. EVANGELISTIC.

**Evangelistic**—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.  
**Systematic Giving**—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
**Work Among Railroad Employees**—Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 N. 8th St., LaFayette.  
**Department of Mercy**—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
**Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners**—Mrs. Ellen Denny, Vincennes.  
**Work Among Soldiers and Sailors**—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
**Unfermented Communion Wine**—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.  
**Sabbath Observance**—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

## V. SOCIAL.

**Flower Mission**—Miss Ethel Tyree McWhirter, DePauw University Greencastle.  
**State and County Fairs**—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

## VI. LEGAL.

**Franchise**—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
**Christian Citizenship**—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.

## ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Anna Eldridge, Irvington.  
 Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
 Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
 Mrs. Belle Flowers, Shelbyville.  
 Miss Eveline Riley, Marion.

## ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

Rev. Mattie O. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Terre Haute.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

## FIFTEEN HUNDRED NEW MEMBERS.

North Vernon has four new members.  
 Steuben County has a new Union at Salem Center.  
 Mrs. Mertie Wilson, Secretary.  
 Ripley County, Loeb Springs: President, Mrs. Sadie E. Williams; Secretary, Mrs. Rosa French; Treasurer, Sarah L. Williams; W. T. P. A. Agent, Mrs. Amanda Tucker.  
 Floyd County, Greenville: President, Mrs. Ora Davis; Secretary, Miss Onie Davis; Treasurer, Mrs. Hope Main.

No, you cannot organize a Union. I feel sure you could get a new member. There are more than enough women in the old Unions who could get one new member to make the 1,500. Will you try, in Jesus' name?

## PRESS.

Are you working with a will and determination? Are you getting to the people through the press every line of our work as much and as often as you can? Are you clipping every line of it and pasting on muslin to send to Kokomo in October? If not, I urge you to action, that Indiana may continue in the lead. You will receive the report blanks by last week in August, so your reports can all be in by September 15.

MRS. MAY MOSER,  
 State Superintendent.

## SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS.

The following is the list of questions to be answered for the yearly report of the Department of School Saving Banks:

1. Have you a County Superintendent? Her name and address.
  2. How many pages of literature have you distributed?
  3. To how many public schools have you recommended the School Saving Banks teaching?
  4. At how many public meetings have you spoken and on what subjects?
  5. How many articles have you written for newspapers on the subject?
  6. In how many schools of the county is the S. S. B. system used?
  7. Can you give a little more time to this great branch of W. C. T. U. work, which develops self-responsibility, fosters good habits and decreases crime and drunkenness, next year that you have done this?
- I have given out more than 1,000 pages of literature and have only heard of four Superintendents appointed. Dear workers, will you not appoint a Superintendent and send for literature and push this great branch of work?

CULLA J. VAYHINGER.

DEAR LITERATURE SUPERINTENDENTS—The year is fast drawing to a close and we must keep at work earnestly, that at the close of the year "We may come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves." We desire to make this the best year we have ever had. In order to accomplish anything definite we must work earnestly all along the line. You will remember that in the circular I sent out I recommended that bound copies of temperance books be placed in school libraries. I now make the following offer: To the Superintendent placing the greatest number of volumes of bound books on some phase of the liquor question in school libraries, I will give a cloth-bound copy of The Daughter of a Republican. Dear sisters, let us be in earnest along this line, for if we can get the school children thoroughly aroused on this question we will have accomplished a great deal along the line of banishing the saloon from our midst. I trust that at the close of the year I may have a good report from each of you. Please report number of pages in volumes placed in school libraries.

ETTA AYRES,  
 State Superintendent.

Miss Belle Kearney will give us a few dates in September and October. Write at once and secure this wonderful orator.

## FIELD NOTES.

South Bend Y's, assisted by Miss Clara Sears, State Y Secretary, held a series of public temperance meetings in different parts of the city, beginning June 25 and closing July 1. Considering the very warm weather, the attendance was good and many new members were added to the roll. On Friday evening, June 28, a public reception was given in the Progress Club Rooms, to which all the young people of the city were invited. Many responded and a pleasant evening was spent. On Sunday afternoon, June 30, a mass meeting was held in the First Christian Church. At this meeting the different young people's societies of the churches were asked to report what they are doing for temperance and reform work. Seven responded, each society being allowed five minutes on the program. Miss Sears gave an excellent address, full of good thoughts and suggestions on the needs and work of the Y's. Monday evening, July 1, the last of the series, was a patriotic meeting, held at the home of Miss Myrtle Huey, the principal thought being "Women as Patriots." Solos, addresses and patriotic games were the features, making an enjoyable as well as a helpful meeting. The outcome of these meetings must be an advance in the temperance work, and all feel gratified with the results.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson held her last Institute in June in Howard County, and organized an L. T. L. at Sycamore.

Miss Mary Hadley, State and National Superintendent of Institutes, writes: "The prolonged Institute season has prevented the Committee on County Roster from doing their work as early as they otherwise might have done it. But the beautifully prepared Registers have been a continued delight as they have come in one by one. The readers of the MESSAGE will be favored later to know who is best among those who have so ably registered the working forces of their respective counties."

Rev. C. E. Davis, of Marion, gave two most excellent illustrated lectures at Jonesboro under the supervision of Mrs. Cammack-Gibson. The first evening, a free offering was taken and a 5 and 10 cents admission fee charged on the second evening. "The Home Versus the Saloon," "The State Versus the Saloon," are the subjects of these lectures. The illustrations upon the canvas hold the eye while Brother Davis pours the truth into the ears. Unions would do the cause great good by having these lectures given to the public.

Grant County is holding a great many contests. Shouldn't wonder if she carried off all the prizes.

East LaFayette Union has an L. T. L. of thirty members.

Decatur County furnished two of the grand gold contestants for Broad Ripple the Fourth of July—Grace Dickey and Flora Duncan. Flower Mission Day was observed by the W. C. T. U. holding their annual meeting at the Poor Farm, five miles north. Gospel service in the grove, after which the inmates were invited to the dining room, where ice cream, cake, bananas and flowers were served to all. The crowd was estimated at 300.

Among the many successful fourth of July meetings was one held at Connersville in the beautiful grounds formerly owned by Ex-U. S. Treasurer Houston. The patriotic address was delivered by Hon. F. T. McWhirter, in which the necessity of legal prohibition was especially emphasized. Rev. Slutz followed, pointing out the danger of pernicious seed sowing.

Marion County, at Broad Ripple, held a grand Fourth and the address of Quincy Lee Morrow was a powerful, convincing effort. The entire program a real success. The W. C. T. U. grand gold contest in the morning, with a class of six young ladies, was most excellent. Miss Lena Belle Baker, Indianapolis, won the medal and becomes a member of Island Park class.

During one of the recent storms lightning struck the home of our own Laura M. Thompson, at Greensburg, three miles out. It took fire, but was easily extinguished. But a stock barn nearby shared the same fate and went up in smoke, but the stock were all rescued. We are making arrangements for a week's work in our county by Mrs. Hattie Brand, of Indianapolis.

Loogootee—On Flower Mission Day (Sunday, June 9) the Martin County W. C. T. U. visited the county poor farm, together with a large number of other citizens. They took flowers and presents to all the inmates and the ladies held the mission services, assisted by the Christian minister from Shoals. The services were held in a beautiful maple grove near the home, where the superintendent of the poor farm had provided seats for the occasion.

By far the greatest temperance rally ever held in Marion county was that held on July 4th at Broad Ripple Park under the auspices of the Prohibitionists and the W. C. T. U. In the morning a grand Gold Medal contest was held by Miss Maud Baker, county superintendent of the Contest Department. The orators of the day were Hon. Quincy Lee Morrow and Rev. J. S. Sproule.

Prof. John B. DeMotte will give one of his famous stereopticon lectures at our State convention at Kokomo.

The Indiana State Convention will be held at Kokomo, October 4 to 7. Every Union should plan to send its full quota of delegates—the president, one delegate-at-large and one for every twenty paid members. To how many delegates will your Union be entitled? Yes, I know that will largely depend upon how persistent the Treasurer is in collecting dues. If your dues are not paid, please call on the Treasurer and pay them now.

Miami County, at Amboy, held a rousing Fourth. Mr. Ed. Warne won the grand gold medal, and will go to Island Park August 6 for diamond medal.

I think the MESSAGE gets better every month and I am so glad it has been managed so that every member gets it. Say, dear sisters, I think our organization the best and most far-reaching of any organized body in the world. No wonder, though, with such a spiritual leader as we had for so many years. May the MESSAGE prosper and the work expand, is the prayer of your sister in white ribbon bonds.

MRS. E. W. CANNON.

Island Park Assembly Management has not only been kind, courteous, considerate and cordial to the W. C. T. U., but has been most wonderfully co-operative and magnanimous. Everybody interested in temperance, and especially in the W. C. T. U., ought to go to Island Park for August 5 and 6, W. C. T. U. days. Be sure to go and take the young people. The Assembly program is exceptionally fine this year. The Kaffir Boy Choir will be there again this year. To hear those South African boys is well worth your going. They are little fellows brought by Christian missionaries from Heathen Africa, several of whom know only the Kaffir language, but whose musical notes are so rare, so sweet, that they thrill the hearts of all hearers. Be sure and attend the Assembly at Island Park.

The following is the list of Life Members in the Indiana W. C. T. U., each representing the payment of \$25 for an organization fund: Mrs. Addison Hadley, Mrs. Martha Hadley, Mrs. M. E. Sherritt, Mrs. R. C. Travis, Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Miss Mary Hadley, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Mrs. Margaret Ross, Mrs. Malinda Ridgeway, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.

At next meeting of your Union ask your Treasurer if as many members have paid dues during the first three quarters of this year as paid during the same time last year. If for any reason there are less, will you please consider what that would mean if all Unions were in the same condition? Please urge the payment of dues and seek new members. We need the influence and efforts of a few more women in every community. Will you seek one more? God help you to try.



**Delaware County Institute** was held at Eaton, May 31 and June 1, in the new First Christian Church. The attendance was not as large as was anticipated, but the enthusiasm of the speakers, the lessons, the drills, etc., made up for the lack in attendance. With Mrs. Cammack-Gibson as leader, the meeting could not be anything but a success. Rev. Aspy, of the Christian Church, and Rev. McNary, of the Methodist Church, were present at most of the sessions and gave some excellent talks on the different subjects. The medal contest was a success in every respect. Six young ladies recited, but only four were eligible for the medal. This was awarded by the judges to Mrs. Mabel Ryan Babb. The music was furnished by the Eaton Quartette, a solo by Miss Bessie Barley and a solo, "Mother's White Ribbon," by Miss Virgie Vineyard. Miss Dessie Shidler gave a recitation and little Miss Lois Shaffer, of Selma, won the hearts of the audience, by the recitation she gave from "Josiah Allen's Wife." Mrs. Gibson's lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," was given in the Methodist Church to a large and appreciative audience. A vote of thanks was tendered to the trustees of the Christian Church for the use of their beautiful new house of worship, to the Eaton Quartette and others for the music, and to the ladies who decorated the church with flowers, flags and bunting, and with the beautiful picture of our dear Miss Frances Willard. Four boys from the L. T. L. deserve special mention, as they were present early and late acting as pages.

**All the Unions** of Clinton County observed Flower Mission Day, and hundreds of sad hearts were cheered. The Y's had charge of the services at Sedalia.

**Frankfort Union** met at Willard Hall and arranged for Flower Mission Day. Flowers were sent to the sick and aged. We also sent flowers to the hospital and services were held at the jail and county house. Rev. Frank Mikels assisted in the services, which was very greatly appreciated. The inmates took part in the singing and testimonials. The Superintendent of the County Infirmary is opposed to religious services and opposed our coming, but our Flower Mission Superintendent, Mrs. Lizzie Dwyer, insisted that we were coming despite his objections.

**Muncie Union** observed Flower Mission Day. Bouquets were sent to the jail and to the sick.

**Converse Union** is much alive. They stopped Sunday base ball and kept one man from getting a saloon license. They deserve much credit.

**On June 4** the three Unions of Allen County united in holding a picnic at Swinny Park, Fort Wayne. The Flower Mission program in the afternoon added much to the interest. Following it, short addresses were made by the County President, Mrs. Emily McIntosh, and several ministers. Flowers were distributed on June 9. On July 4 the Allen County President distributed much literature at a church picnic. This constant agitation is what counts.

**Peru L. T. L.** is holding its meetings this summer in the open air. The woods along the river are so cool and pleasant. We had an L. T. L. picnic last Thursday; had our lessons also. The children were delighted. Peru Y is steadily growing. New members are added and they are in earnest. They had a successful lawn fete recently and cleared nearly \$10.

**Converse W. C. T. U.** observed Flower Mission Day by distributing bouquets to the sick with scripture texts attached, and 50 bouquets were made and sent to the State Reform School for Boys at Plainfield. Rev. Samuel Traum, of the Christian Church, in his sermon on the evening of June 9, spoke at some length of the work being done by the Flower Mission Department of the W. C. T. U. The Union will make an effort to keep a saloon off our fair grounds during the coming fair. This will be done by having sermons preached on the subject, arousing public sentiment and agitating the necessity of some action being taken that will bring definite results.

**Miami W. C. T. U.** joined the Prohibitionists for a Fourth of July picnic at Amboy.

**Peru W. C. T. U.** took fifteen fine bouquets to the hospital, with text cards and white ribbons attached. The Union will make more bouquets this summer and celebrate Flower Mission often.

**Wright's Corner** (Dearborn County) organized a Legion May 26. Mrs. Alice Tyler, Leader; Miss Bulah Kyle, President; Lewis Randall, Secretary; Edna Mendell, Treasurer. Moore's Hill and Dillsboro have voted to organize an L. T. L. and Guilford Union has taken up the study of Lesson Manuals. So writes the energetic County L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward.

**Jeffersonville Union** observed Flower Mission Day on Saturday, June 8, holding services at the orphans' home, the county jail and the deaconess hospital, visiting each with flowers, scripture texts and words of cheer and encouragement. The railroad men's reading room, fire department and police station were also visited.

**Mrs. S. M. Stahl**, of Hartford City, arrived in Bedford May 30, and was entertained at the hospitable home of Mr. John Rowe, a Prohibitionist who votes as he prays and is a loyal helper of the W. C. T. U. Friday, Saturday and Monday afternoons mothers' meetings were held in the Christian, First M. E. and German M. E. Churches. "The Responsibility of Motherhood in the Home" was the theme of Mrs. Stahl's eloquent, heartfelt talks in all these services.

Friday night the address on Alaska was given in the M. E. Church and was highly enjoyed by a good sized audience. Sunday morning a gospel temperance sermon was preached by Sister Stahl in the M. E. Church at Limestone, by invitation of the pastor, Rev. Russel. At the close of this service another meeting was arranged for the afternoon. The people here would like to have kept her a week, and seemed hungry for the "old, old story of Jesus and His love." Arrangements were made for a party of white ribbon workers to come out from Bedford and hold a mothers' meeting in Limestone. Monday night Mrs. Stahl gave a temperance address at Trinity, which was listened to by a crowded house (many people standing) for an hour and a half. Five hundred people must have listened to her eloquent and spiritual words during these four days spent in Lawrence County. She received invitations at all these meetings to come again and stay longer. The Bedford Union was happy to receive eleven new members, and we are sure her earnest, convincing words and prayers will bear much fruit in the future. She will be warmly welcomed in our city should she decide to visit us again.

**Converse** had their County President address them at a meeting two weeks ago. Their musical program was fine. Though very warm, the church was filled.

**Mrs. Swartz**, President, Nappanee, writes: "I wish to say that the MESSAGE is very helpful. We do not know how we could accomplish our work without it."

**Mrs. Anna Palmateer**, Police Matron of Terre Haute and our State Superintendent of that department, in company with Miss Parlman of the same city, visited the Indiana Reform School for Boys at Plainfield, on Flower Mission Day, June 9. They saw 572 boys march into the chapel with white ribbons on their coats. The Superintendent had them repeat the texts that were on their flower day bouquets. Mrs. Palmateer spoke to them briefly during the morning service and in the afternoon. Miss Parlman told them the story of our Jennie Casseday and her mission. Many of the boys were seen to look at their bow of white, which evidently had a new meaning in it. Superintendent E. E. York made the ladies royally welcome. He is doing a grand work and is a grand good man, supported by an excellent Board of Managers, the President of which is our loyal, Christian neighbor and friend, the Hon. W. C. Van Arsdell.

**Mrs. Emma Saylor**, Contest Superintendent of the Frankfort Union, has held four contests in the last quarter and has two more classes in training. One, a gold medal contest, will be held in the Baptist Church in the near future. Miss Mabel Sheffler is training the class. A class of eight colored children was trained by the Superintendent and a successful contest held, the proceeds of which were divided between the colored Junior Endeavor and the Hadley Home. The songs by the colored children were greatly enjoyed and heartily enquired.

**Jefferson Union** has invited the colored contest class to their city.

**Sedalia and Burlington Unions** will hold a gold medal contest soon.

**Mulberry Union** gives the girls a place on every program and finds it a good plan to hold the Y's. Neat printed programs have been prepared, the Y's having charge of the music. We meet in the homes and our meetings are well attended. At our last meeting fifteen were present. Our music was inspiring. Mrs. Maxwell sang "Mother's Bow of Ribbon White," and Miss Josie Stechel sang "Crept in with Mother." Mrs. Addie Peelle had charge of the devotional exercises. Subject, "Mothers of the Bible." This was a mothers' meeting and was held two miles in the country.

A very pleasant feature of the recent State Board meeting of Superintendents was a visit to Frances Comfort Orphans' Home by a number of local and visiting members. The children are very comfortably situated in a nice home and are bright and intelligent. They listened eagerly to Miss Mary Hadley as she explained the work and pledge of the Loyal Temperance Legion. A Legion of forty one members was organized, which will be known as Columbus L. T. L., and will be under the care of Columbus W. C. T. U., with Miss Rhoda Welding as Superintendent.

**South Bend East Side Union**, on Flower Mission Day, took bouquets to the sick and graciously remembered the newspaper editors.

**South Bend Colfax Avenue Union** took flowers to the jail on Flower Mission Day and held a service. The Y's went to the Orphans' Home, where their smiles and flowers were greatly appreciated.

**Mrs. Teats**, the Purity worker, of California, will lecture for the Hoagland Union.

**Indianapolis Palmer Union** held a mothers' meeting at the home of Mrs. A. E. Devore, Tuesday, June 25. Our hostess read a very interesting paper on "Child Culture." Many good thoughts were brought out by the discussion which followed. Mesdames Lemmer, Moore, Hart and Thomas were among the guests. Several new members were added. The County Superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art sold a number of Frances Willard's pictures, requesting that they be placed in the most conspicuous places in the homes.

**The County President** writes, James Gipe was a decided success as a Fourth of July orator at Free-landville, and great good was done.

**Hartford City**—We are still pushing the battle as best we can by the educational method, sending the MESSAGE, Union Signal and Phalanx to our unconverted friends, praying that God will bless the means to open their eyes to the awful responsibility that they bear to the saloon in their community. We are putting a little money into the treasury by the per cent we get from the sale of Miss Belle Kearney's book "Twenty-five or thirty have subscribed for the book "Two," hoping to help somebody to see the awful curse of rum and the remedy. Our meetings are quite well attended by thoughtful, earnest, loyal women. Some have moved away, a few have backslidden, but we are still moving on and adding new members to fill up the ranks. The men are still adding saloons. We see by the paper that we are to have a saloon on the north side of the square; then our beautiful court house will be surrounded by these death traps. A friend said, "My! Won't Brother ——— regret to have a saloon on the north side?" I said, "Oh, I guess not; he still votes for them." Oh, when will men see that we never can destroy the curse by legalizing the crime?

**South Bend Central Union** sent 75 bouquets to the County Poor Farm, to which were tied scripture text cards. Twenty-five other bouquets were distributed. South Bend Chapin Park observed Flower Mission Day at the hospitals.

**At the last meeting** of Greencastle Union, Miss Ida Riley read an instructive and interesting paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication, which will appear in the Patriot-Phalanx. Mrs. Prof. John B. DeMotte and Mrs. Hamilton joined the Union. Although the day was warm, there was a goodly number present.

**Indianapolis Palmer Union** held memorial services at Congregational Church, June 30, in honor of our deceased member, Mrs. Ella Smith, who died June 2. Rev. W. A. Hendrixon read a scripture lesson; Mrs. A. E. DeVore offered a tribute in behalf of Palmer Union; Rev. Thomas Smith spoke in a most appreciative manner of her ever-willing services in the church; Mrs. Sims, in behalf of Marion County White Ribboners, spoke in tender words of her services as a local worker, fully realizing that local workers are the foundation of state and county organizations.

**Mrs. Cammack-Gibson**, aided by Marion Unions, is working most energetically to run an excursion to Winona on July 11, over the Michigan division of the Big Four.

**School savings banks** have been instituted in the public schools of Los Angeles, Cal. Five thousand school children there have \$11,000 to their credit in bank, saved through this excellent system of taking care of the pennies. Miss Culla Vayhinger, of Moore's Hill, is our State Superintendent of this department.

**The Chicago Postoffice** will hereafter employ no boy who smokes cigarettes or who is known to have once been addicted to the habit, since only the best equipped boys, mentally and physically, are wanted in this service.

**Col. Van Horn** has abolished the private canteen of officers at Ft. Sheridan, near Chicago.

**The American saloon**, under the full sanction of the law, flourishes in Hawaii as never before.

**In forty-three** of the forty-five States of the Union there is agitation and effort to drive out the cigarette.

**The School Board** of Marinette, Wis., has decided to prohibit football in the public schools and to refuse the use of the name of schools in designating teams. The action was the result of popular prejudice against the game.

**Jennie Powers** writes: "We use Contest Journal for a prize in our contest at Richland." It would be so very wise for all our Contest Workers to do this.—Ed.

**Mrs. M. L. Hobbs**, Ireland, receives premium of Metcalf & Woolley pictures for five silver medal contests.

**Porter County** has enjoyed a visit from Miss Palmer, of Hammond, and two Unions are in view after the harvest and a little cooler weather is ours to be thankful for.

**Mount Vernon Y's** are reading Miss Willard's life at their regular meetings.

**Bath** is preparing a medal contest for the farmers' meeting in that county. They write that the three county papers are open and friendly to W. C. T. U. news and articles.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

Our dear sister, Charlotte Stancomb, departed this life May 29, 1901. She had been an invalid many years, yet bore her sufferings with true Christian patience. She attended our last W. C. T. U. spring Institute, held at Amboy, in March, and at that time she enlisted with the white ribbon army and became a loyal member of Amboy Union. Her last work was assisting in preparing the church for the funeral of one of the W. C. T. U. members. Her stay with us was short, and like our great chieftain, Frances E. Willard, and many others, she has been transplanted to a world beyond and is now realizing how beautiful it is to be with God. She leaves a husband and daughter and many relatives and friends. To them we extend our sympathy in behalf of the Union.

Mrs. Martha S. Moore, a charter member of Hanover Union, passed to her reward June 12, in the 73d year of her age. She rests from her labors and her works do follow her. The Union carries her loved ones in prayer and the God of all comfort.

Death visited Indianapolis Palmer Union on June 2, taking one of our loved ones, Mrs. Ella Smith. She had been an active member of Palmer Union since its organization, and too well do we realize the impossibility of finding her equal. Mrs. Smith leaves a husband, with whom our entire community sympathizes.

The Avon Union mourns the loss of Miss Maggie Minnings. She was always found on the right side of every question—faithful to do all she could for the promotion of every good work.



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## THE INDIANA STATE W. C. T. U. CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT KOKOMO, OCTOBER 4 TO 7.

How many delegates will your union send? The fifty cents from each union for a convention expense fund for the unions entertaining the convention should be sent very soon to the State Treasurer.

## LIFE MEMBERS.

Indiana W. C. T. U. whose names were not published in last Annual Report; Mrs. Sarah Stevens, Mrs. Frances Boyer, Miss Eliza Baker.

## WHITE RIBBON SPECIAL TO FT. WORTH.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Ft. Worth, Texas, Nov. 15 to 20. Greatly reduced rates will be granted by the railroads.

By special arrangement the Indiana delegates and visitors will go through in a special coach from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth without change.

The routes selected are the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis; the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Texas & Pacific from St. Louis to Ft. Worth. The distance from St. Louis to Ft. Worth is seven hundred and forty-three miles. The route passes through Little Rock, the capitol of Arkansas; Malvern, which is located twenty-two miles east of Hot Springs; Texarkana, Marshall, Longview, Minneola and Dallas, Texas.

Now is the time to begin to plan for the going to Ft. Worth. We would especially urge parents to take their boys and girls. By travel, much of a liberal education is gained. Ten days of travel and attendance upon a great National Convention of Reform Forces, will wonderfully stir the hearts of the youth.

Those desiring information in regard to this great trip to the Lone Star State, apply to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

Last year in accepting an invitation for field work in some of the Southern States, Miss Mary Hadley, our Vice-President and National Superintendent of Institutes, went over the Iron Mountain route. She thought the trip not only delightful, but replete with historic interest, relative Southern customs, habits, etc.—an object lesson more educational than the study of volumes of the best written history.

## THE CALL.

The twenty-eighth Annual Convention of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the Grace M. E. Church in the City of Kokomo, October 4 to 9, 1901. EUNICE P. WILSON, President.

## TAKE NOTICE.

The State Convention will be held in Kokomo instead of Logansport, as per letter recently sent out to Treasurers. The mistake is deeply regretted.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

## PERSONAL MESSAGE.

I have one message for every Union and Y in the State. Consult last year's minutes and see how many members paid dues and before the books closed Sept. 25, and that is not very far off, see to it that you have as many members or more this year than you had last year. To have less is to go backward. A gain of 1,500 is what we aim for. If you allow your Union to fall behind, you make it hard to make this gain. No white ribboner should feel satisfied short of growth in herself for usefulness and growth in the Union as to activities and members. If these two things are assured, there will be growth in the state, the nation and the world and our organization will become more powerful and respected.

MARY E. BALCH.

## A CURE FOR DRUNKENNESS AND THE OPIUM HABIT.

In the life of John Vine Hall, commander of the Great Eastern and father of Rev Newman Hall, who wrote a series of leaflets entitled "Come to Jesus," he gives the following recipe:

Five grains sulphate of iron, ten grains magnesia, eleven drams peppermint water. Mix—use twice a day.

To the above may be added one dram spirit of nutmeg if desired. This acts both as a tonic and stimulant.—*Cor. White Ribbon Banner.*

Now is the time to elect your delegates to the State Convention. Each union is entitled to send the President one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

## NATIONAL PROHIBITION CONFERENCE.

The leading prohibitionists of the United States assembled at Buffalo on August 1 and 2 to take a general outlook and to confer together as to plans for further aggressive work. Many States were represented and very able papers were read upon the work of different officials, from that of State Chairman to County Chairman and also upon what those who may be elected to office can accomplish. Indiana was honored by its National Committeeman, F. T. McWhirter, presiding at the first session. Altogether, two days were devoted to a splendid program full of interest and very profitable. Among other noted speakers, Frank S. Regan, late member of the legislature from Rockford, Ills., Prof. Samuel Dickie and Homer L. Castle, delivered fine addresses.



MRS. FRANCES E. BEAUCHAMP, OF LEXINGTON, KY., PRESIDENT OF KY. W. C. T. U. AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Beauchamp is one of the most brilliant women of the Southland. By her eloquence, logic and forceful presentation of our cause at Acton, Bethany and Island Park Assemblies, she stirred the hearts of the people and aroused enthusiasm that must result in greatly increased activity. Mrs. Beauchamp is an entertaining and convincing speaker, with few equals on the American platform.

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Secretary—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.

Treasurer—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## A BAN ON HABIT AND WILL DISCHARGE VIOLATORS.

CHICAGO, ILLS., June 6.—To-day the hired hands of Libby, McNeill & Libby are reading this card, tacked to the walls of their workrooms: "Notice—Tobacco chewing is strictly prohibited. Any person breaking this rule will be discharged immediately." Libby, McNeill & Libby employ 3,000 men and 2,000 chew tobacco.—*Wis. Motor.*

The Pan-American ought to abolish the vulgar and demoralizing sideshows of its Midway and follow the example of Philadelphia's centennial by closing on Sundays. If the attendance should fall short it may serve as a lesson to future exhibitions in both of these important features. At least two of the Midway exhibits are positively disgraceful and self-respecting commissioners should promptly close them.

## GETTING READY—ACTION OF THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Advance sheets of the Superintendents' reports were directed to be printed previous to convention for circulation thereat, and no reports to be received after convention. Constitution, Article II, Section 3. All reports of Superintendents shall be in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days previous to the State Convention. Why? That there may be no delay in getting out the State Minutes; and this year the additional reason that they may be in print in the hands of the women at the convention. This is of the utmost importance.

## PREPARATORY.

Superintendents, at the close of their reports, shall offer in writing such resolution or resolutions as they desire embodied in their recommendations. The action of the Mid-Year Executive. Why? They should become a part of our Plan of Work and not a part of the report of the resolution committee, as they are supposed to give us a declaration of our principles and not to tell us how to do our work. Further action of Mid-Year Executive: Reports shall not exceed 700 words. Why? Printers' ink costs money and our Annual Minutes are too long. Now, these three acts of our executive will prove the trinity of economy, power and good order, if we observe to do them. To do less is childish.

MARY E. BALCH.

## PLAN OF WORK COMMITTEE.

County Presidents, Mrs. Lida Outland, Emma Saylor, Sadie Eves. State Superintendents, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Ada B. Leck, J. R. Wood. Organization, Mary E. Balch. This most essential and indispensable document to be in print and in the hands of the women at the opening of the convention.

Constitution, Article I, Section 8. The program committee shall consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents.

## THE COMMITTEE.

Eunice P. Wilson, Mary E. Balch, Amanda T. Whitson, Ada B. Leck and Julia Overman.

Any woman may become a member of the Indiana W. C. T. U. by endorsing the constitution and paying an annual membership fee of \$1, of which 40 cents shall be paid for State dues, 20 cents for county dues, 15 cents for local dues and 25 cents for the official organ—the MESSAGE. From the 40 cents State dues the State Treasurer pays 10 cents for National and World dues. Thus the dues of every member are so divided that she is a member of not only the local, county and State, but of the great National and World's W. C. T. U., besides receiving a monthly visit from the MESSAGE.

## ORATORICAL CONTEST AT BUFFALO.

Twelve speeches by young men from twelve states was a great feature in the National Prohibition Conference on August 2. New York, Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana and Illinois each had a speaker. Every oration was a gem. Each oration showed careful preparation and the delivery was without hesitation on the part of every speaker, with force, ability and great earnestness. The twelve orations would make a fine compendium of modern thought on the great issue of prohibition. At this date we have not learned who won the first prize of \$75, the second prize of \$50 or the third prize of \$25. Through the efficient work of the College Association, a great many institutions of higher learning have become interested in this movement. Mr. D. L. Colvin, an alumnus of Ohio Wesleyan University, whose address is now Chicago, Ills., is President of the Association and Mr. Harry S. Warner, of the University of Chicago, Ills., is its Secretary. This movement deserves the encouragement and hearty support of every White Ribboner.



### 100,000 SOULS.

The liquor traffic is responsible for the death of 100,000 souls annually in the United States. It is responsible for more misery and degradation than all other causes combined.

In view of these facts and that no drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of Heaven, why is it that many of our ministers and Sunday School Superintendents have to be asked to hold special temperance services?

I verily believe that if each White Ribboner in Indiana will candidly study these conditions, secure facts relative to the gigantic power of the liquor traffic, its methods and influences, it would not be more than two years until Indiana would have a prohibitory liquor law.

By the information thus gained and the consequent enthusiasm and determination to help on this fight to the finish, every one of our many thousands of members would become a power in her own home, church and community against the saloon and saloon-drugstore.

For the first year, limit each member's influence to ten people (besides the boys and girls, and they are a wonderful power in any movement) and a mighty army of intelligent persons would be arrayed against the liquor business. The rates of gain would be increased and the momentum would be so great during the second year that, combined with the valliant prohibitionist of to-day, an army would marshal its forces against the liquor business, with God as leader, for the victory of no license laws on the Statutes of Indiana—a complete victory for a prohibitory liquor law.

Just in proportion to your hatred of the liquor business will you work against it.

Is it reasonable to suppose that a Christian woman, who is well informed upon the conditions pertaining to the liquor traffic, can be satisfied outside the ranks of some organization working for its overthrow?

### LIVES THAT LIVE ON.

From Miss Willard's address at the World's Convention, at Toronto, we quote:

"One day a young nobleman on horseback rode impatiently up and down the streets of a village in Cornwall. He was seeking for a public house where he could get a glass of that concerning which our Shakespeare said, 'Alas, that men should put an enemy in their mouths to steal away their brains.' But his search was in vain, and coming upon a white-haired peasant on his way home after a day of toil, the young man said, with rising anger, 'Why is it that I cannot get a glass of liquor in this wretched little village?' The man replied, 'My lord, about a hundred years ago a man named John Wesley came to these parts,' and the old peasant walked on. 'A hundred years, and he was living still; that dauntless, devoted disciple of our Lord! Cornwall has never been the same since John Wesley went there to preach the gospel of a clear brain and a consecrated heart. Of whom will such great words be spoken when a century has passed in those dear countries of the English-speaking race from which most of us have come? Who doubts but that in Maine some good man going to his safe and happy home, will be saying in answer to some unfriendly wight, vexed because he cannot get his dram, 'a hundred years ago a man named Neal Dow came to these parts?' Who does not believe that in Canada some loyal voice will give the explanation, 'a hundred years ago Letitia Youmans came to these parts?' Verily, comrades, we are building better than we know. It is a holy thing, this influence that reaches on and away into illimitable distance; this coming to be one of the wheels within the wheels that are the wheels of God."

America and the world has had Frances Willard, whose life lives on. Each State has had lives that live on, and do you realize that in Indiana every county and almost every town has had lives that live on and those that will live on, for the work they have done for the home against the legalized liquor traffic?

To-day it takes more moral courage to stand in the forefront in the temperance army than to face the battery of a foreign enemy on the field of battle.

### GLEANINGS FROM VICE-PRESIDENT.

Bainbridge W. C. T. U., organized July 9, 1901. President, Mrs. Jessie Lane; Vice-President, Mrs. Lydia E. Wilkinson; Secretary, J. S. Black; Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Tillie Pickel; Assistant, Mrs. Lucy Priest; Superintendant Contests, Mrs. Lydia E. Wilkinson. Other departments taken up to be filled later. Active members, fourteen; honorary, three. Bainbridge is now free from saloons and expects to remain so. These brave and loyal women will co-operate with the Good Templars, who have been so active and successful in keeping out those influences which have so demoralized an otherwise good town.

Notwithstanding the excessive heat, a bright and hopeful Union was organized at Roachdale, July 12, with twenty seven active members, six Y's and six honorary members; total, thirty-three. President, Mrs. G. W. Irwin; Vice-President, Mrs. M. Ada Rich; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. O. Rice; Recording Secretary, Miss Emma Hanna; Treasurer, Mrs. Jessie Young. Department work was taken up, to be

filled at the following meeting. The well-chosen Treasurer was a bride of but a few days and wrote her name for the first time as Mrs. Young as a member of this great organization, which is working so effectively for the uplift of humanity. Her many friends said almost with one voice, "This is a good omen." Another bright woman (Mrs. Brake), who expected to be a resident of another city in a few weeks, said, "I've always wanted to be a member of the W. C. T. U., so I'm not going to miss this chance if the ladies will allow me to belong here." Of course they were delighted to receive her and so she has bestowed this beautiful benefaction upon the town where she has for some years been an esteemed resident and by so doing she has set her face like flint against the ravages of the rum traffic.

Roachdale has sent greetings to Greencastle and Bainbridge Unions and invited them to meet at Roachdale for county organization August 27 and 28. Invitation accepted. In the meantime, Cloverdale is to be considered and will be invited to join the great fraternity, "For God and Home and Native Land." It seems Putnam County is to again wheel in line and take a stand against evil worthy of herself as a county of good advantage and good citizens.

### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

In some cases the space of time covered by one month seems almost endless, owing to the severe conditions in which one may be placed. The past month has been like unto this at the Hadley School. The burning heat, accompanied by the scarcity of the water supply, and no rain to cool even one moment of time, with the sure knowledge that almost the entire garden and small fruit crops are to be failures, has tried the already tired nerves and brains of those connected with the school. The one comforting thought is that no omission of the workers is responsible for the ravages wrought by the drought. We meekly submit to the inevitable, and when the ground shall receive her baptism of water, another heroic effort will follow with later varieties of food-producing plants.

Young chicks are doing well. More than 500 of them gather around the "chicken girls" asking for food and water. When the proper time comes they will pay it all back.

The milk supply grows shorter as the length of the drought grows longer. The older heads grow serious over these conditions, but the younger ones are satisfied that the trials of the present are sufficient without peering into the future.

Mr. Clyde Carmack is working right along finishing up the fourth story of the dwelling, and he abounds in cheerful looks and pleasant words as he drives the nails of self-sacrifice into this noble structure. Many girls are asking for admission to our home, and when the increased room is ready for them a few more can be accommodated.

We feel most happy in the friendship extended to the school by the neighbors and friend in Hendricks County. We know that in union there is strength. As these girls grow and develop into tender womanhood, their changed appearance awakens new interest in those who witness the change. Timely aid given the young often makes large returns. L. HOBART.

### INDIANA ASSEMBLIES.

W. C. T. U. Day at Lake Maxinkuckee was a success. Mrs. Cammack Gibson spoke in the evening. Subject, "Five Boys in Knee Pants." A gold medal contest was held in the afternoon. Miss Lena Yedman won the medal. The assembly management gave the ground upon which to build a W. C. T. U. cottage, and for that purpose \$105 was subscribed amidst enthusiasm.

AT WINONA much interest and enthusiasm were manifested in the W. C. T. U. days. An excursion from Marion took two hundred white ribboners and their friends to Winona at one time. The contests were good. In the first, Mrs. Frank Havens won the medal and in the second Hezlep W. Clark was the winner. Miss Marie Brehm, National Superintendent of Franchise, gave a very logical and eloquent address on "Equal Opportunity" before an appreciative audience. Col. Geo. W. Bain, of Kentucky, spoke in his characteristic, forcible manner on "The New Woman and the Old Man," without touching much upon intemperance and ignoring the remedy—prohibition. Mrs. Daub sang "If I Were a Voice," Mother Trish sang "Some Mother's Boy," and Miss Brehm, who is always ready to help by the use of her voice, also sang. Short addresses were made by Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, our State President; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Mrs. Jennie Irwin, Mr. Webb, of Warsaw, and Miss H. Anna Quinby, of Edenton, Ohio.

The officers for next year are as follows: President, Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro; Secretary, Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion; Treasurer, M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart; First Vice President, Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Jennie Irwin, Bourbon; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw. These serve as a program committee for next year and began their planning at once and negotiated for a cottage of fourteen rooms. Every effort will be made to advance our cause at Winona next year.

The finances of the Assembly Union are in good shape; bills paid and money in the treasury. The success of the enterprise is largely due to Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Tompkins. The management gave one-half

of the gate fees of the excursionists to the treasury of the Assembly Union, and it just made it easy for them to meet their bills. The expenses last year were in the neighborhood of \$150, with a balance of 56 cents in the treasury. Possibly it will be more this year.

The counties represented were Marion, Madison, White, Wabash, Kosciusko, Elkhart, LaGrange, Tippecanoe, Miami and Posey.

### ISLAND PARK.

The W. C. T. U. headquarters were open one week to-day. We were very pleasantly surprised to find the cottage furnished throughout. White Ribboners receive a hearty welcome here and are shown every courtesy.

Mrs. Ada L. Squier and little daughter have arrived and are making themselves felt in many ways. Mrs. M. S. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, is with us and doing good work. One of the attractions of the Island is the W. C. T. U. literature booth. Large quantities of literature is being distributed. Two silver, one gold and one diamond medal contests will be given during our special days (August 5 and 6). Mrs. Squiers is arranging for a large parade for the morning of August 5, which will be led by the assembly orchestra. Our White Ribboners have begun to arrive and we believe the capacity of the Home will be tested. Mrs. Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., will be with us. We have had a large number of callers; our enrollment up to this date is one hundred and sixty. Mr. J. V. Combs, of Maxinkuckee, called and assured Mrs. Balch of a hearty welcome; when she came to them said, "we intend to give you a cottage next year. How many days can you use to advantage? You can have all the time you want." Secretary of Bay View Course also called with the pleasant information as to what the W. C. T. U. were accomplishing at their assembly. He also showed us the massive, beautiful building which the Bay View Reading Circle share with the W. C. T. U. White Ribboners are welcome there.

Dear Mrs. Balch left us Tuesday to attend the assembly at Maxinkuckee, July 31. She will also visit Pine Lake and endeavor to work up an interest there and lay plans for next year. We are expecting Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Rev. Tompkins and others to return with her. It would require too much space for me to tell you of the beauties and opportunities of Island Park. But I count it a special blessing—this privilege of spending the Chautauqua season here. Our home is the happiest place and only wish more of the dear White Ribbon sisters could be with us.

MARY E. EVERTSON.

### ACTON ASSEMBLY.

The W. C. T. U. cottage at Acton was opened July 24, by Mrs. Clara Balch, Secretary of the committee in charge. She was joined a few days later by Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand and Mrs. McDermid. The general attendance at Camp Acton was not large this year, and there were few visitors or lodgers at the cottage previous to August 1 and 2—our W. C. T. U. days.

Central and Willard Unions, of Indianapolis, came with good delegations. On the morning of the first, neat copies of our program were distributed among the cottagers and resulted in a fair audience at the tabernacle. The program was good throughout. "Children's Hour" is always interesting, and the bright faces of the boys and girls from the Orphans Home, L. T. L. and Central Union's A. C. L., who gave a creditable program of readings, recitations and songs, were a prophesy of better things and an inspiration to more zealous work to save the boys from rum and cigarettes. State Superintendents and others ably presented various phases of our work, and the evening addresses were given by Mr. Chas. Lemmon and Hon. Wilson Doane, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, of Kentucky. Mrs. Beauchamp is a national officer and a forcible speaker. Her subject was, "My People Perish for Lack of Knowledge." She said people were densely ignorant on the liquor question, and attributed it largely to the fact we are a newspaper reading people, from which source we do not get scientific, social or political truth in regard to rum.

Mrs. Clara Sears was not present, owing to the serious illness of her brother. Her time was taken by Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter. Her earnest words always reach the hearts of her hearers and her presence added enthusiasm. Central Union won the prize for the largest delegation.

### MAXINKUCKEE AND PINE LAKE ASSEMBLIES ADDED TO THE ROLL.

The programs at each place were fully carried out, with some additions. Officers at Maxinkuckee: President, Mrs. Ada L. Squiers, 620 Cherry street, Terre Haute; First Vice-President, Miss Emily Stacy, Plymouth; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Clara Collane, Flora; Secretary, Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora; Treasurer, Mrs. Quincy Lee Morrow, Indianapolis. Twenty-five members. The management donated a lot to build a cottage on and Dr. Collane, unsolicited, arose and said he would give \$25 toward building the cottage and then Messrs. Morrow, Coombs, Voorhees and others made the amount \$100, and Mr. Coombs, the Superintendent, said no doubt there would be another hundred donated. The Secretary and Treasurer were made a committee to solicit and receive the donations.



Now, dear sisters, sing the doxology; our cause is moving on.

Officers at Pine Lake: President, Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, Hammond, Ind.; First Vice-President, Mrs. S. M. Farber, LaPorte; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend; Secretary, Mrs. Esther Vail, 1409 Main street, LaPorte; Treasurer, Mrs. Brown, Michigan City. Nineteen members.

LaPorte Union received the silver medal for the largest delegation in LaPorte County. South Bend Y received the silver medal for furnishing the most members to the Assembly Union of any Union outside of LaPorte County. The medals are to be used in a contest and the receipts go into the treasury for the general work. It was promised that a cottage would be at the disposal of the program committee for next year. We trust that more and more White Ribbons will see the wide open door of opportunity that there is for us in this assembly work and lend a hand. They are distributed in such a manner as to cover the entire northern and central portion of the State.

Mary E. Teats spent a week at Island Park.

Mrs. Teats' dates: Hoagland, August 11; Roanoke, August 12; Andrews, August 13; LaFayette, August 15, 16 and Sunday, 18, resting on Saturday, the 17th. Apply at once if you want Mrs. Teats.

MARY E. BALCH.

#### BAY VIEW (MICH.) ASSEMBLY.

The Inter-State W. C. T. U. Institute opened in Evelyn Hall, July 18, with Mrs. Helen Stoddard in the chair as conductor. It continued for ten days and was pronounced one of the most successful features of the assembly. Mrs. Stoddard's assistants were Mrs. Mary Wood Allen and Rev. Frances Townsley, of Michigan; Mrs. Mary Hopper, of Illinois; Mrs. M. A. B. Smith, of Wisconsin; Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, of Indiana. Mr. Hitchcock, Superintendent of the Bay View Assembly, said in his address of welcome that the foundation thought of the Bay View Assembly was a better life and they welcomed the W. C. T. U. because it stood for better and higher things.

The 9 o'clock Bible hour, conducted by Frances E. Townsley, was one of the most popular and helpful features of the Institute. With clear logic and persuasive eloquence she reached the hearts of her audience, inspiring them to nobler purposes and more complete surrender to the Master.

Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, Mrs. P. J. Howard, Mrs. Fannie Calkins, Mrs. Samuel Dickie, all of Michigan, and others, were on the program.

A fine breeze from the bay kept the atmosphere delightfully cool. The program was practical and helpful in every way and the interest and enthusiasm increased with each session.

Mrs. Ormiston Chant, of London, England, who is known around the world as a speaker and purity worker, made the auditorium speech and conducted a woman's conference. She spoke particularly of conditions in England, but made a strong plea to mothers, saying that the lines of heredity cross and that the increasing drink habit among women is one of the most serious features of the drink problem. The last hour was given to the audience and was filled with testimonies of appreciation and help received.

Mrs. Stoddard possesses the rare gift of drawing from people their best and seemed to never forget any detail which would add to the character of the Institute or the comfort and pleasure of those about her. Her workers are indebted to her for many a delightful and refreshing hour spent on the water or following a romantic trail through the woods.

#### A BIG DAY FOR ZIONSVILLE.

Wednesday, August 7, is Temperance Day at Zion Park camp meeting. Co. A, Boone Division Loyal Temperance Legion, of Zionsville, which was organized ten years ago, holds a reunion at this time. The forenoon will be occupied with a program of old time songs, toasts and testimonials, followed by a union basket dinner in the beautiful grove back of the school building, where so many memories cluster of old time experiences.

Rev. R. V. Hunter, of Indianapolis, will speak in the afternoon. A medal contest will take place at night, following the custom which has been observed for years every temperance day. The participants in the contest this year will be the senior class of 1902, of the Zionsville High School. The day is looked forward to with unusual interest, as the occasion is to celebrate the L. T. L. "box opening."

It is expected that two hundred persons will march in procession to the grove as representatives of the L. T. L., headed by the Zionsville brass band and many of the officers and superintendents of the L. T. L. and W. C. T. U. The procession will stop on its way at the Alford Bank and take from the vault a tin box, which was deposited there ten years ago, at the time of organization. The box contains the names of the charter members, the honorary members, the list of officers, teachers and superintendents, a copy of the first minutes, the constitution and rules, the triple pledge, the badges used, the Zionsville Times' account of the welcome meeting held to acquaint the public with the purpose of the organization and also the Times article describing the event when the box was placed in the bank vault. There were more than a hundred children in procession at that time, headed by the band. The Superintendent of the public schools, M.

D. Avery, with the Superintendent of the Legion, Mrs. A. J. Clark, marched at the head of the company; also the young President of the Legion, Harry Ball, and the captain of the company, Charles Felton. Then followed the Legion classes by platoons, each having a banner, an ensign and the teacher of the platoon. A lasting impression was made as the long procession filed through the principal streets of the town, with a large American flag flying at the front side by side with another bearing the words, "The Children are Afield for Temperance."

The L. T. L. met regularly at the school building and the children were taught by divisions, according to their grades in school. Bands of Mercy were formed in addition and seventy-five copies of "Black Beauty" were distributed among the families in town. The heartiest co-operation was given the Legion Superintendent by the School Superintendent and force of teachers, by the President of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Rachel Felton, and other members.

In 1893 the older girls were organized into a Y. W. C. T. U. and the older boys were associate and honorary members. The younger boys and girls were organized into Co. B, L. T. L., superintended by Misses Minnie Anderson and Maud Alford, former members of Co. A.

Temperance sentiment is good in Zionsville, and the citizens have been able to defeat innumerable efforts to get a permit for a saloon in the place. The local W. C. T. U., though small in membership, has never relaxed efforts to keep the various lines of its work progressing; and the President, Mrs. Frank Anderson, and other members, would be much rejoiced on this occasion if other active and aggressive members would join the ranks. The Union sends out a general invitation to any who may wish to attend Wednesday.

#### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

A new Legion of seventeen members was organized at Sycamore with Mrs. Flora Mendenhall as leader. They have ordered a full line of supplies.

South Whitley L. T. L. of one hundred and twenty-seven members, and Mrs. Jennie Weaver leader, was organized by Miss Hadley at time of their County Institute.

Lincolntonville has paid dues for twenty members and nineteen graduates have paid their 25 cents annual dues to the State Legion Treasurer, Felix M. McWhirter, 2312 Collevue avenue, Indianapolis.

Roanoke L. T. L. has a class of six juniors ready for certificates.

A class of fifteen of the Marion Legion have taken the examinations and are ready for their diplomas at time of State convention.

Kewanna has a new Legion organized by Miss Hadley.

North Vernon L. T. L. will have a class to graduate by State L. T. L. convention; they are also making their block for the State L. T. L. autograph quilt.

A Legion of sixteen members was organized May 26 at Wright's Corner, Mrs. Alice Pyles leader.

Moore's Hill and Dillsboro have each voted to organize an L. T. L., and Guilford Union has taken up the study of the Lesson Manual—so writes the energetic County L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward.

Indiana claims to have the oldest L. T. L. graduate—Mrs. Frances E. Potter, of the class of 1900, who is 71 years young.

Sims L. T. L. observed Flower Mission Day on June 8 by carrying a hundred and seven bouquets, with text cards tied on them with the white ribbon, to railroaders, factory men, merchants, clerks, sick and shut-ins and received many "thank you's." One conductor treated them to candy in return. They also had a Flower Mission exercise Sunday evening, June 16.

Marion County L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Beckett, has ordered enrollment cards and record book for infant grade work.

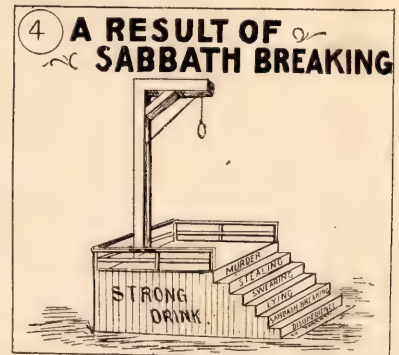
The W. C. T. U.'s of Amboy, Guilford, Goodland and Greentown have taken up the Normal L. T. L. grade by forming classes of women for the study of the L. T. L. Temperance Lesson Manuals.

Any one who is over 12 years of age and signs the L. T. L. pledge, may become a graduate of the L. T. L. and secure the L. T. L. diploma by passing a satisfactory written examination (answering correctly seventy-five per cent of the questions), in the four numbers of vol. I of the Senior Temperance Lesson Manuals. The examinations are conducted in a similar manner to the high school examinations, always in the presence of a committee appointed for that purpose. The papers are graded and the average per cent attained on the four numbers of the volume and reported to State L. T. L. Secretary by said committee. Printed examination questions can be obtained of State L. T. L. Secretary at 10 cents per set for one volume. Diplomas must be ordered of the State L. T. L. Secretary and the order be accompanied by the grade and the statement that the applicant has signed the L. T. L. pledge and is of proper age. Diplomas, 10 cents each. Girls and boys under 12 years, secure junior certificates by passing similar examinations on vol. III and on vol. II. Certificates, two for 5 cents. In ordering, state for which volume they are desired.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW.

The wide awake counties have already arranged for their annual conventions. At every convention a grand Gold Medal Contest should be held, to which the admission fee ought to be twenty-five cents.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.



This cut shows that Sabbath desecration is a first step to many other evils. It is an exact copy of a gallows, drawn by a young man on the wall of his cell the afternoon before he was executed. The inscriptions are just as he placed them and tell the pitiable but true story of his life. Upon the side of the platform he placed the words "Strong Drink," to indicate that this sin was not only a step to his ruin, but was a part of the whole course of his sinful life, which ended in murder. With this man, as with others, one of the first steps to a criminal career is some form of Sabbath desecration. Ninety-five per cent of the prisoners admitted to the Massachusetts State prison in one year, testified that they were there through Sabbath breaking. Would it not be well, in the light of these circumstances, to impress upon the youth of our day, by precept and example, the commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy?"

There is no time in the year when it is so hard to work as during the summer season. Neither is there a time when our work is so much needed as when Sunday excursions are being run from almost every city and town to some place of interest; and when the Sunday ball game, with paid admission, which is contrary to the laws of the State, is better patronized than are the free Gospel services of the churches.

Many towns and cities in Indiana are having great victories for Sabbath observance. At Warsaw the merchants have all agreed to keep their establishments closed on Sunday. Terre Haute is doing excellent work and their efforts are telling for God and humanity. At Kokomo, even the livery stables are closed, responding only to calls of mercy. Through the efforts of Miss Kate Leebrick's Union at Sims all stores there have been closed. South Bend has also had some victories along the line of Sabbath closing. May others be encouraged to press forward to the work.

Continue the circulation of literature and keep up the agitation continually. Last year the L. T. L.'s of Pennsylvania distributed 73,229 pages of Sabbath Observance literature. Indiana L. T. L.'s can do better than that if they will.

God is our helper.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.



#### MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings, women of the White Ribbon army, mothers everywhere, does not this little baby face appeal to you for protection from the evils of to-day? Is it possible that any mother in this broad land of ours can be indifferent to the cries of murdered innocents? Upon the mothers of to-day there rests a grave and important responsibility. One has said, "no office in the world is so honorable as the mother's, no priesthood so holy, no influence so sweet and strong and lasting. The father has equal responsibility with the mother in the home. God held Eli responsible for his failure in family government. 'His sons made themselves vile and he restraineth them not.' It has been said, 'any country will be twenty five years from now just about what the mothers of that country are at the present time.' Here is where the widest scope is given to talent, wisdom and Godly life to form the character of the young and train them for future usefulness. The highest type of woman is the model mother, and multitudes of blessed women in humble walks of life have moulded the characters of their sons and daughters for heaven and for exalted positions on earth from Ennis and Lois, who trained Timothy, down to the present age. The inconsistent home life of many professing Christians has destroyed the faith of the children and made infidels of them. Home is the place where pretence is dropped and what is in the heart comes to the surface. There is the place where 'religious cloaks' are laid aside and masks pulled off. A great need of the times is a revival of family religion, pure and undefiled. Mothers, let us do all in our power, in every sense, to bring this about.





Facsimile of Badge worn by Members of Cradle Roll.

The year is fast drawing to a close. I have been happy to look into many of your faces, to clasp hands with you, to mingle our prayers and tears together, to petition our God, who does hear and answer mothers' prayers. My heart has been deeply touched by the kind words and deeds of some of you dear women, but I must not make my letter so long. What I want now, or will soon, is reports, reports, reports. Please, sisters, send them in on time. Remember I formulate my report by yours and I must have my report in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days before State Convention. If I had sent my report last year five days before convention, several would have been left out. Please be prompt.

Mrs. S. M. STAHL,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Geneva Union** is very small and we are endeavoring to keep the fire burning on the altar for temperance and purity.

**The Colfax Avenue Union**, of South Bend, held a very pleasant and profitable meeting and picnic July 31, at the suburban home of the President, Mrs. M. G. Huey, who spared no pains to make the day one of pleasure and the meeting a success. Many of the ladies were present with well-filled lunch baskets and took dinner in the grove. Sometime since it was decided that each member of the Union should earn 50 cents and tell in rhyme what she had done to earn the money. These reports were had and many interesting responses were given. Mrs. B. F. Wert received the prize for the best rhyme. By this method the treasury was augmented by quite a neat sum. Several visitors present made liberal donations. A very pleasant day was spent by all.

**Washington County—Campbellsburg W. C. T. U.** As it has been some time since I have written to the MESSAGE, I will write concerning our Union. I believe I am safe in saying we have the largest and best Union in Southern Indiana. We have a large membership and are active in every direction. We have been successful in circulating one remonstrance, but since failed on one. Have stopped Sunday baseball and are now working on our business houses for closing on Sunday. The W. C. T. U. conducted a grand Fourth and had the most orderly crowd ever assembled in our county. Our program was carried out to the letter. We had with us Mrs. Hattie Brand. She complimented us by saying we had made a grand success. We had able ministers, of different churches, recitations by orators, solos and songs by able singers. Also a number of special premiums were given on that day. Among the premiums were a fine Rocking Chair to the oldest lady present; a walking cane to the oldest gentleman; a silk parasol to the prettiest lady; a jewel box to the oldest married couple; a sack of flour to the youngest married couple; a pair of baby shoes to the prettiest baby; a pair of Belgian hares to the boy that could jump the highest. Every prize was well worth competing for. The editor of the Campbellsburg Graphic gave us a grand "write up" and said we were the most successful of any picnic ever held in our midst. We give an ice cream supper on August 9 and then we hasten to have a gold medal contest. Our next regular meeting will be held in the M. E. Church with a literary program.

**The Georgia Evangelist**, Sam Jones, lectured recently in Greensburg. He can tell the truth about the need of prohibition in a most fascinating and convincing manner. In this lecture, for which tickets were sold at 50 cents each, Mr. Jones is reputed to have said that at no time in the history of the Church was it ever so dead and lifeless as now, because it refused to take up the issues—Holiness unto the Lord and Prohibition.

**Greensburg**, ever on the alert, secured Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, State President of Kentucky and Assistant Recording Secretary National W. C. T. U., for her only Sunday in Indiana.

**Mrs. Sarah Wheatley** is the new Treasurer of Greensburg Union.

**Our former State Evangelist** and loved sister, Mrs. Louise Thomson, is now living at Palo Alto, Cal., the seat of Leland Stanford, Jr. University.

**Mrs. Ella Blaney**, of Auburn, writes: "We have a very prosperous Union, not only in number, but in work. In connection with Anti-Saloon League we have secured evidence against several saloonkeepers, causing their arrest. We are arranging for a fountain in the Court park, expecting it to cost between \$200 and \$300. For several weeks we were under smallpox quarantine and did not do much, but we are busy now."

**Rev. Alice Palmer**, President Lake County W. C. T. U., has been actively at work in her own county and elsewhere. She spent two delightful days with the Hebron Union planning county work. Lectured and made twelve calls upon those whom we wished to

interest. Was invited to address Englewood, Chicago Union on "The Round-the-World Missionaries," at Emerald avenue Presbyterian church. Had a fine attendance of ladies for all the warm weather. It was their Monthly Social meeting, July 18. On Sabbath, June 23, Miss Palmer addressed two fine audiences in the M. E. and Presbyterian churches at Valparaiso; led the meeting of the Y. W. C. A. and the devotions at College Chapel on Monday morning; presented and urged the work of the W. C. T. U.

**At Roachdale, Putnam County**, a Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized on July 12, by Miss Mary Hadley, State Organizer. There is an enrollment of twenty-nine members. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mattie Irwin; Vice-President, Mrs. M. Ada Rich; Recording Secretary, Miss Emma Hanna; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nellie L. Rice; Treasurer, Mrs. Queen Young. Much interest is shown and the foundation is laid for a most promising Union.

**Eunice Wilson Union**, of Upland, Grant Co., celebrated the Fourth of July. The program for the forenoon consisted of singing by a male quartette and an excellent address by Rev. Shouse, of Kokomo. In the afternoon a silver medal contest was held, given by six boys and songs by the children and girls. To complete this program, we had with us our dear Mrs. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, who gave one of her most excellent, helpful addresses. In speaking to one of the business men of her address, he expressed himself something like this: "That was good. I knew what that would be before I went." While we did not attract as many of the element we hoped to reach, yet we are encouraged and may try again next year.

**LaFayette W. C. T. U.** celebrated the Fourth of July by holding an all-day picnic at Columbian Park. Public invited. Games and athletic contests in the morning. Addresses by Rev. A. G. Detch, of LaFayette, and Mr. J. F. Horn, a native Syrian. Mr. Detch's subject, "The Future Mission of the W. C. T. U.," Mr. Horn's, "Syria's View of the Temperance Question." Good attendance. Ladies sold ice cream and cake.

**Deer Creek W. C. T. U.** has been fortunate in securing Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, for a lecture, sermon and Mothers' Meeting. Special mention must be made of Mrs. Stahl's talk on the "Duty of Mothers" to an audience of ladies. This Union, although flourishing before, was strengthened by the visit of this talented woman. Five new members were received, all of whom were young women full of zeal for the cause. Deer Creek Union takes pleasure in recommending Mrs. Stahl to every other Union in the State.

**A gala day** for the temperance people at Free-landville—The Loyal Temperance Legion gave a picnic on the Fourth of July at this place to show to the public the true object of the temperance organizations and to incite others to action in this work. The L. T. L.'s have been organized for five years and now have a paid up membership of seventy-five. There was but a small crowd present in the forenoon, but as the day advanced well-filled vehicles kept arriving until a very large crowd was present to hear the afternoon's program. The day's program opened with a song of welcome, "For God and Home and Native Land." "America" was sung by the L. T. L.'s, after which an inspiring address was given by Rev. W. G. Law, of the Vincennes Baptist Church. An intermission of two hours was given, during which time a public dinner was served. The first on the afternoon's program was a song by the Loyal Temperance Legion, "The Old Hoosier State," sang by L. T. L. Mr. Edward Koch, a silver medal holder, read the Declaration of Independence in a clear, emphatic voice, inspiring in the hearts a renewed love for home and country. The Y. W. C. T. U. sang "The Y's Brigade." Mr. Gipe, ex-State President of L. T. L., of Indianapolis, gave a patriotic temperance address on "The Life of Wendell Phillips." From the review of this noble character, whose faith and courage was severely tried during the slavery days, each one could realize more clearly his duty and responsibility to his country. Mr. Gipe said the slavery of to-day was more terrible than human slavery in the days of Wendell Phillips. The following are some of the many words of encouragement he gave to the L. T. L.: "King Alcohol trembles and well he may, for there is a day coming when he must die." "The hope of the future depends on the young people." He encouraged them to keep on in the good work and to look forward to victory.

Mr. Gipe is a young man, seventeen years of age, possessing superior talent as a public speaker. He spoke in a fearless manner, denouncing the liquor traffic in every form and declaring that in four more years his vote should be cast for temperance, thus showing the change in our government that is sure to follow temperance training. Rev. Shultz, of the German Evangelical Church, gave an enthusiastic address in German. Rev. Sanford, of the Baptist Church, sang "America." The program was interspersed by band music. No cigars were sold on the ground. Through the tireless efforts of the committee the day was considered a grand success. A neat sum was realized for the furtherance of the temperance cause.

**Grant County** has another Union, organized by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, on July 19. Nineteen members. Mrs. Dr. Hawkins, President; Mrs. Anna Am-

mon, Secretary and Mrs. Hannah M. Shively, Treasurer. Three of these members belonged in Howard County, to Sims Union, only two miles away, but they will now work with the Swayzee Union and make splendid leaders for the new Union.

**Mrs. Elmira Staples**, of South Bend, our efficient and earnest State Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, has been quite sick.

**The Greencastle Union** recently sent two hundred button-hole bouquets to the Reform School for Boys at Plainfield.

**Miss Mary Hadley** has recently organized a Union of sixteen members at Bainbridge, Putnam County. This Union is directly the result of the W. C. T. U. Institute held there in the spring.

**Colorado** claims another one of Indiana's workers—Mrs. Sarah D. Curtiss, for several years President of Tippecanoe County and State Purity lecturer. Mrs. Curtiss is in Pueblo, doing effective work it Purity there and in that district of the State. Our loss is Colorado's gain.

**Mr. James Gipe**, our former State President of the L. T. L., has greatly pleased the people where he has gone for public addresses. He will be available for services until the opening of the Indianapolis High School in September. His address is 808 North Delaware street, Indianapolis.

**Disaster and Death from the Cigarette**—On Sunday, July 28, Mr. Dennis Williams, of Howard, Ind., was buggy riding with a Miss Parent. Sparks from the cigarette he was smoking ignited Miss Parent's clothing and with all the effort of the young man to extinguish the flames, she was so fearfully burned as to cause her death the day following. At this writing (July 30), the sanity, if not the life, of Mr. Williams, is reported to be in jeopardy, so great is his regret.

**Dearborn County Unions** are preparing to have a booth at the county fair at Lawrenceburg for the distribution of literature. Mrs. Ida Eubank, of Guilford, is the Superintendent of Fair Work. The L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ward, organized an L. T. L. at Wright's Corner.

**Moore's Hill Union** is collecting comfort bags for the soldiers. The July meeting was entertained by Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger and Mrs. Fannie Penner-vill. A most excellent program of addresses and music was rendered and fifty guests were served with ice cream and cake by the ladies of the Union. At the regular meeting, July 25, at the home of Aunt Rhoda Baldwin, the members present were surprised by the hostess serving light refreshments. Mrs. Baldwin is the oldest member in the Union, she being eighty years old.

**The Dillsboro Union** is in a prosperous condition and feel that they have helped the cause of temperance in their work to enforce the Nicholson law. It is made up of women who are "constantly at it" in a quiet way. Led by Mrs. R. A. Perlee, Guilford Union has made a handsome gain in membership and is doing aggressive work. Mrs. Jennie Ward is their President.

**The W. C. T. U.** is perhaps the largest, brainiest organization of women in the world and the amount of good done by them is beyond calculation. They have belted the world with a white ribbon and tied it with a loving knot that cannot be untied.—*California Voice*.

**The State of Missouri** has held over 3,000 medal contests and has had a habit of taking the National Banner of the department annually, but Indiana has it now. There is no reason, however, why Indiana should acquire the same habit—though it is not a bad one—if some other states work for it.—*The Pacific Ensign*.

**Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens** and Miss Anna Gordon, President and Vice-President-at-Large of the National W. C. T. U., have just completed a southern trip of over eight weeks' duration. They traveled over 6,000 miles and delivered seventy-eight addresses.

**The National Anti-Cigarette League** will soon bring out a recitation book to be used in Anti-Cigarette and Anti-Narcotic medal contests. Mrs. Balch will carry the book in stock. Price, 10 cents.

**At Plainfield**, on July 12, a class of six boys took part in a silver medal contest in the presence of a good audience. Albert, the fifteen year old son of Hon. James Barlow, secured the medal, and a book was presented to Master Ralph Bridges as a second prize. The contest was somewhat out of the ordinary, the contestants, the ushers and most of the orchestra being boys, and of the three judges, two were men. Our President, Mrs. Sallie A. Mills, deserves much credit for the able manner in which she carried out the work of organizing the class and for the successful outcome of the contest. Our Union is in good condition. Flower Mission Day was observed here, flowers being given to the patients of Keeley Institute and to the sick and infirm.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Amboy Union has been again visited by the death angel, taking from our midst Mrs. Mary E. Melton. This makes the third member who has gone from works to reward since the 2d of May. She had continued her membership from the date of its organization, March, 1890. She ever felt a deep interest in the work and she leaves a vacant place in our ranks which no other can fill. During her long illness she realized the presence of the Great Physician to soothe and sustain her.



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## INDIANA WHITE-RIBBON SPECIAL TO FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Ft. Worth, Texas, November 15 to 20. One fare plus two dollars has been announced for the round trip. Our Indiana delegates and visitors will go through from Indianapolis in a special sleeper to Ft. Worth without change. On the sides of the coach will be great white streamers, upon which will be these words: "Indiana W. C. T. U. en route to Ft. Worth, Texas."

The routes selected are the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis; the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Texas & Pacific from St. Louis to Ft. Worth. The distance from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth is about one thousand miles. The route passes through Little Rock, the capitol of Arkansas; Malvern, which is located twenty-two miles east of Hot Springs; Texarkana, Marshall, Longview, Minneola and Dallas, Texas. The rate from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth and return will be \$28.90.

The White Ribbon special containing our Indiana delegates and friends will leave Indianapolis on November 12th. Friends of the W. C. T. U. are cordially invited to join our party. Everybody is requested to bring a well filled lunch basket, thus saving dining car expense.

The following is a list of Railroad Rates to Ft. Worth, Texas, and return on account of the National W. C. T. U. Convention.

Anderson .....	\$30.00
Aurora .....	30.40
Elkhart .....	30.70
Frankfort .....	28.75
Ft. Wayne .....	31.15
Greencastle .....	27.65
Greensburg .....	29.15
Indianapolis .....	28.90
Kokomo .....	29.20
Lafayette .....	28.35
Logansport .....	29.65
Marion .....	30.50
Muncie .....	30.40
Richmond .....	30.40
Rockport .....	27.91
Terre Haute .....	26.65
Vincennes .....	26.05
Wabash .....	30.54
Winchester .....	30.40

All persons desiring to avail themselves of this trip and a visit to Hot Springs, Arkansas, can get further particulars regarding the trip by applying to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

## RAILROAD RATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

A fare of one and a third for the round trip will be granted upon the certificate plan to all persons attending the W. C. T. U. state convention at Kokomo, October 4 to 8.

Buy a ticket to Kokomo at regular rates, get a certificate from the ticket agent. When this certificate is properly signed at the convention it entitles the holder to purchase a return ticket from Kokomo for one third regular fare.

Persons living in small towns should ask ticket agents to be provided with certificates, for without these no reduction in rates will be granted.

## STATE CONVENTION.

The State Convention of the Indiana W. C. T. U. will be held at Grace Methodist Church at Kokomo, October 4 to 8.

Great preparations are being made at Kokomo for the entertainment of our state convention. The very best churches in the city were offered for the convention.

The following are the names of committees and their chairmen. Upon these women and their helpers will depend much of the success of the plans for the convention:

Entertainment—Mrs. Ida Mix.  
Hotel and Boarding House Rates—Miss Rosa Hillis.  
Music—Miss Edith Hillis.  
Reception to Meet Delegates—Mrs. Sarah Butcher.  
Decorations—Mrs. Dr. Emma W. Moore.  
Finance—Miss Rebecca Trueblood.  
Courtesies—Mrs. Virginia Pollard.  
To Receive Packages—Mrs. Zara Hostettler, No. 160 West Lincoln street.  
Railroad Secretary—Mrs. Laura Mercer, No. 211 West Walnut street.  
General Chairman—Mrs. Lida Outland.  
Lunch—Mrs. Rosa Hillis.  
Sunday Services—Mrs. Ida Mix.  
Press—Mrs. Minnie Gwinn and Miss Rebecca Trueblood.  
Usher and Page—Mrs. Fannie Pedigo.  
Bureau of Information—Amy P. Rindge.  
Check Room—Mrs. Virginia Kern.  
Telephone and Telegraph—Mrs. Cynthia Morrow.

Post Mistress—Mrs. Martha Richards.

Sergeant-at-Arms—Mrs. Mattie Armstrong.

Mrs. Ida Mix, the heroic chairman of the Entertainment committee, desires that the names of delegates be sent in early, and that the number of L. T. L. delegates with the names be sent in by each union, so that places of entertainment may be assigned.

Delegates who have friends in Kokomo with whom they expect to stay will please give the name of the friend, with their own, so the committee can arrange their books accordingly.

In sending in the names of delegates, state name of county, name of union or L. T. L. Write plainly.

Send names in early to chairman of entertainment committee, Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo, Indiana. If persons have a decided preference as to who will be entertained with them, that should be stated when the names are sent in. Under no circumstance ask the entertainment committee to disarrange their books after your arrival at Kokomo so as to allow you to be entertained with some friend.

To provide entertainment for so large a convention means much. Let each sister help in all ways possible to lighten the burdens of committees.

A few days before leaving home each delegate having the name of her hostess should send her a letter telling her at what time she expects to arrive in Kokomo.

## STATE CONVENTION.

Free entertainment for lodging and breakfast will be furnished for all delegates. Arrangements have been made for good meals to be served at twenty cents each.

Reduced rates have been secured at hotels and boarding houses for visitors attending the Convention.

Every delegate should be present at the opening of the Convention and remain until the close.

Counties and unions having badges should see that their delegates are provided with them. They serve as an introduction and add interest to the Convention.

Prof. De Motte will lecture on Saturday evening; every delegate should hear him and so far as possible take with her a boy or a girl.

Have your name and your hostess' address on your baggage.

Have your mail sent to Kokomo in care of your county delegation W. C. T. U. Convention, and it will be delivered to you without delay.

Mrs. Dr. Emma Moore, Chairman of Decoration Committee, requests that all local unions and county unions send or take their banners to Kokomo. They will add greatly to the interest of the Convention.

Take White Ribbon Hymnals to State Convention. Be sure and take copies of your local union programs and county convention programs with you for use on sample table at State Convention.

Arrangements have been made with the cab lines at Kokomo, so that a universal rate of ten cents will be charged during the day and until midnight within the city limits. Cabs will be at the Church at the close of every meeting. The street cars run near by and the service is good.

## LAST WORDS BEFORE STATE CONVENTION.

### WORDS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE.

### WORDS NOT TO BE FORGOTTEN.

If the branches or departments have premiums to give workers, please be prepared to award them Friday night. Our Department reports must be in the hands of the recording secretary five days before the convention. See constitution. Local secretaries will receive two copies of the blanket report blanks. Fill one and send to county superintendent if you have one, and fill the other and send to State superintendent. Please give full reports on time. A program will be sent to each local union president by September 18 or before. Delegates should try to see this program, as it will give every information necessary.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION BRANCH.

Our State L. T. L. president resigned in August and Miss Edith Hillis, of Kokomo, class of '99, has been chosen to fill the vacancy. Only one of Miss Hillis' unselfish spirit and great devotion to our beloved cause would be willing to assume this responsibility so near the close of the year. Let us show our appreciation by rallying loyally around her and in the few remaining weeks put forth a strong effort to make this, our first convention of the new century, the best in our history.

County and local branch secretaries, please send me a report of your work for the whole year. If your Legion is inactive now but has held meetings during the year, don't fail to report what you did do, so as to give a complete report. By all means call a meeting of your inactive Legion at once, elect officers, arrange for regular meetings and send some of your seniors to the state L. T. L. Convention where they will gain knowledge and enthusiasm and bring home

a good and helpful report. I hope each Legion will, this year, send one or more delegates—it pays. I need your report two weeks before State Convention. Obtain report blanks of your W. C. T. U. corresponding secretary.

Are you earnestly striving to bring up all lines of L. T. L. work? Have you sent your L. T. L. dues of ten cents per member to the state Treasurer? The books close September 25. Be sure to see each graduate to collect their annual dues of twenty-five cents and forward to Felix McWhirter.

The Infant Grade, try to enroll a few more and don't neglect to collect dues from those enrolled last year; send four out of the ten cents as State L. T. L. dues.

The Junior L. T. L., have you not some who are ready for examination for certificates? Send to me for examination questions. Please send me the names and grade of junior ready for certificates, of seniors ready for diplomas, and of any who have completed seal course reading and designate which seal they are entitled to. Diplomas, certificates and seals will be awarded at state convention.

Do try to obtain a few more subscribers for *The Young Crusader*. To the Legion or person sending in the greatest number of subscribers to our L. T. L. paper, I will give a copy of Miss Willard's Beautiful Life.

The Willard-Gordon banner will be won by the Legion paying greatest amount of L. T. L. dues and the large blue, by county organizing greatest number of new Legions. These banners will be awarded Friday evening of convention.

Elkhart, Lincolnville, Westfield, Argos, Ireland, Frankfort, Ft. Wayne, Hadley Home, Richmond, Free-landville, Wabash, N. Vernon, Elwood, Peru and Sims have taken "foundation blocks" for State autograph quilt. I hope very much that each one will complete their block before State Convention. Who will win the prize for greatest number of names on their block?

The money pledged at Frankfort convention for the Seal Library should be sent to my address. Don't forget to report and attend to it at once.

KATHRIN T. A. STRAW,  
General Secretary.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

It seems so short a time since our State Convention last year, but it will be but a few weeks until we will meet again to make plans for our work another year. Hoping we may take courage from the victories won, and warning by defeats, if by our neglect of duty in any line of our great work has not been accomplished, that we most desired. I hope every White Ribboner may consider it her work in the next two weeks to invite her friends to join our ranks at this time, that more delegates may have opportunity to attend our State Convention, soon to convene in the city of Kokomo. May I ask again that local unions collect and forward dues in time, that no one may feel disappointed when the credential committee make their report of persons present who have the right to vote? Thanking every one for your love and kindness the past year, I am most sincerely,

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## TREASURER'S NOTES.

Will Unions please remember to send the 50 cents for Local Committee Convention Funds to the State Treasurer through the regular channel for dues? Send to the County Treasurer where counties are organized. If county is not organized send direct to the State Treasurer. Do not wait and bring to the State Convention. The money should be checked out to the Local committee before the State Treasurer's books close, September 25th.

Have you gained the extra five or ten members over and above your paid membership last year? If not, make the effort within the next two days, that Indiana may be one of the winning states this year. TAKE NOTICE.

The Annual Membership fee in the W. C. T. U. is divided as follows: State dues 40 cents. County dues 15 cents. Local dues 20 cents and 25 cents for the Official Organization, *THE MESSAGE*. No one is a member of the organization until all has been paid. An error occurred in August *MESSAGE* stating county dues were 20 cents instead of 15 cents and local dues 15 cents instead of 20 cents.

In the March issue of the *MESSAGE* the following article appeared:

"Beautiful Life" or "A Great Mother" will be given as a premium to the person or Union sending in the largest list of renewals or new subscribers." This refers to the three months' trial subscription to the Union Signal. Will the Unions and persons sending in clubs please notify me at once the number secured, that I may know to whom the premium should be awarded at the State Convention.

AMANDA T. WHITSON.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are pleased to announce that Miss Addie Austin, of Chicago, will attend our State Convention in October. She comes as a representative of the *Union Signal* and the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association. We trust every delegate who is not already a subscriber to the *Signal* will come prepared to become one; also come prepared to purchase literature at Miss Austin's table. Unions die for the lack of knowledge which can be obtained through the reading of the *Signal*, the W. T. P. A. literature and our own State paper THE MESSAGE.

## MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting the following helpers for the State Convention work were named—Seating the Convention: Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, Miss Clara Sears, Mrs. M. L. Gipe. The material for this work will be in the convention room by Thursday noon, October 3.

### Committee on Resolutions:

Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, Mrs. Retta Jones, Mrs. Sophia Toner, Sarah E. Thomas, Ella B. Wright.

If counties will pay the postage on State minutes for their County Conventions they can have them by ordering from the State Treasurer, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis. Not a copy should be left on the shelves when they are so helpful to any worker.

The State President will attend Blackford County Convention.

Hartford City Loyal Temperance Legioners held a picnic at Eaton Park.

Diamond Medal Contest at the Prohibition Conference, September 17, 8 p. m.

Mrs. Ada B. Leck, State Superintendent, will have space and literature at the State Fair.

Rosedale Parke County's new union, has just sent State dues.

Knox County Convention at Vincennes, September 19.

Henry County will hold grand Gold Contest at its Convention.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, has charge of the memorial services at Kokomo Convention. If you have names to be remembered send them to this sister.

Every mail I am receiving the news that officers have been elected for the Local Union. I shall never know if you made changes unless some one reports them, and unless I do get the changes, I shall be writing to the wrong women.

## CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Central Committee met in the home of Mrs. Balch, August 19, with all members present. After prayer by Mrs. Vayhinger, the business of the State was immediately begun.

Moved by Mrs. Balch, that we have Mrs. McWhirter visit Kokomo and offer our hearty desire to co-operate with the local committee in its arduous effort to arrange for our annual gathering. Motion prevailed.

On motion, new blanks were directed, printed for the State departments, that were not represented on the blanket report blank. An effort will be made to secure Mrs. Blair for Sunday services at the State convention.

Moved by Mrs. Whitson, that we recommend that no delegate be appointed to either State or National Convention and receive pay for expenses to same, who does not pledge herself to attend and report having attended every meeting of the convention unless detained or called home by sickness of herself or family; any one failing to do this, forfeits her claim to any part of her expenses to the convention.

The premiums for the first, second and third best programs that have been prepared by local Unions was considered by the committee.

The Hadley Industrial School Board met with the committee, and considerable time was given to the discussion of various phases of the work of the home and its necessities. A woman sewing at \$11.00 per month was allowed.

It was the sense of the committee that hereafter no county be allowed more than one child in the Home until after all applications from other counties be considered.

Mrs. Hattie Brand was made a solicitor for the Home in connection with her work as organizer.

The limit of free entertainment in the Home was fixed at twenty-four hours, and only one visit a year from parents or relatives.

The Y's were given the time from 1 p. m. until 3 o'clock on Saturday of the convention. The L. T. L's are to have Saturday morning, as last year.

MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

If you were to spend a week in Hadley School and see the shortage in shoes to protect the feet of the girls, you who are responsible for the clothing of these girls would be awakened to your responsibility in this matter.

Some girls go for months without proper covering for their feet, and they smart under this shortage. Some of them are kept at home from church and Sunday school for weeks at a time on account of not having shoes.

If you could see the tears streaming down their cheeks as the others pass out to these services, you would realize that there should be immediate response to the calls for clothing. We have no fund at all with which to supply clothing or school books. Please be prompt in the matter of supplying them. Now that we come under the rules governing the public schools, we must be prompt in these matters or lose our standing in the community; and again, is this slowness of action the way to inspire confidence in these girls? Children learn more from example than precept. Day-school opens the 16th of September. I regret that it is necessary to make public these trials.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## STATE CONVENTION PROGRAM.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.

KOKOMO, October 4 to 9.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Ante-Executive Committee will meet October 3, 1 p. m., in the basement of Grace M. E. Church, in the Epworth League room. Entrance on Washington street.

The Board of Superintendents will meet at 7 p. m., October 3, in the same room.

Y conference Saturday morning 7:30 in the "Missionary Room." Entrance on Mulberry street.

Further conferences announced from the platform. L. T. L. conference announced from the platform.

Prayer meeting each morning from 7:45 to 8:45 in audience room of the church. Mrs. E. M. Haughton in charge. Executive Committee meeting Monday morning 7:30 in the Epworth League room in the basement.

Department Board meeting Tuesday morning 7:30 in the same room.

The groups of counties will meet Monday 1:15, p. m. to elect national delegates. Chairman of each group will announce place of meeting Monday morning from the platform. The Railroad Secretary will be present on Monday morning to sign certificates. Any one leaving before securing this signature to their railroad certificate cannot receive the reduction in fare.

Post Executive Committee will meet 7 p. m. Tuesday evening, October 8, in the Epworth League room.

### PROGRAM.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 4, 1901.

9:00. Convention called to order by the President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson.  
Convention join in singing Long Meter Doxology.

9:05. Prayer, Rev. Cammack-Gibson.  
Appointment of Committees on Credentials, Courtesy and Telegrams.  
Report of Executive Committee.

9:30. President's Annual Address.  
10:15. Report of Corresponding Secretary.  
10:40. Report of State Treasurer.  
11:05. Roll Call by Recording Secretary.  
11:15. Evangelists' Hour.  
12:00. Noontide Prayer.  
Adjournment.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30. Convention called to order by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, President of the Board of Superintendents.

Opening Services, Mrs. —

1:40. Reports of Departments in the order given in the minutes of 1900, beginning with the last Superintendent.

Secretary for the afternoon, Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion, Secretary of the Board of Departments. The Treasurer of Board, Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru, will serve as time keeper.

3:30. Five minutes respite for physical exercise, conducted by Miss Clara Boyd, State Superintendent Physical Culture.

5:00. Adjournment.

FRIDAY EVENING.

7:30. Opening Services, Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President.

7:45. Address of Welcome in behalf of the city, Mayor W. S. Armstrong. In behalf of the Schools, Prof. R. A. Ogg. In behalf of the Churches, Rev. —. In behalf of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Lida Outland. In behalf of the Y's, Miss Edith Hills. In behalf of the Loyal Temperance Legioners, Master James E. Mix. Response to the City, the Schools, the Church and the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter. Response to the Y's, Miss Clara Sears. Response to the Loyal Temperance Legioners. Awarding of the year's premiums.

9:45. Announcements. Adjournment.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Seventh Annual Convention of the Indiana State Loyal Temperance Legion, in charge of State Secretary, Mrs. K. T. A. Straw.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

1:15. Convention called to order by the Y. State Secretary, Miss Clara M. Sears, Anderson, who has charge of program.

3:00. Report of Committee on Credentials.

Election of Officers.

Election of the Members of the Hadley Industrial School Board.

Election of State Central Committee.

Introduction of Fraternal and Visiting Delegates and Distinguished Guests while the ballots are being counted.

Miscellaneous Business.

5:30. Adjournment.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Illustrated lecture by Prof. John B. DeMotte.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Our women will occupy the pulpits of the several churches of the city morning and evening.

Sunday afternoon mass meeting in the Convention Church, 3 p. m., addressed by Mrs. Ellen A. Dayton Blair, National Organizer and Chalk Talker.

MONDAY MORNING.

9:00. Convention Called to Order.

Opening Services.

9:05. Report of Plan of Work Committee.

10:25. Report of Executive Committee.

Election of Associate Evangelists, Organizers and Superintendents.

Miscellaneous Business.

11:15. Evangelists' Hour.

12:00. Noontide Prayer. Adjournment.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00. Convention Join in Singing

"My faith looks up to thee,  
Thou lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray,  
Take all my guilt away,  
Oh let me from this day  
Be wholly thine."

2:05. Report of MESSAGE.

2:45. Report of Industrial School.

3:45. Five Minutes Respite for Physical Exercises by Miss Clara Boyd.

3:50. Report of Resolution Committee.

Miscellaneous Business.

4:45. Adjournment.

MONDAY EVENING—PLATFORM NIGHT.

Opening Service Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer.

Fifteen Minute Addresses by Leading State Workers.

TUESDAY MORNING.

9:00. Convention Repeat Lord's Prayer.

9:05. Reporting National Delegates.

9:15. Report of Resolution Committee.

9:45. Report of Organizers.

Report and Discussion of Summer Assemblies.

Miscellaneous Business.

11:15. Evangelists' Hour.

12:00. Noontide Prayer. Adjournment.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

2:00. Memorial Services, Elizabeth Stanley.

2:30. Introduction of Local Committees.

Report of Standing and Local Committees.

Miscellaneous Business.

3:15. Reading of Minutes.

3:45. Consecration Hour, Eunice Wilson.

4:00. Adjournment.

## WOOLEY'S MESSAGE TO BOYS.

In writing to *The Home Defender* on the subject, "What Can Boys and Girls Do for the Cause of Prohibition?" John G. Woolley says:

"The best thing a boy can do for prohibition is to be a prohibitionist and know why. To be clean, intelligent and filial are the three graces of boyhood."

Much is contained in these few words. More than we would dare pass by without some comment. It is a great thing to be a prohibitionist, but it is a greater thing to be a prohibitionist and "know why," if you ever expect to be able to help the cause.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1900-1901.

*President*—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.  
*Vice-President*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Corresponding Secretary*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis.  
*Recording Secretary*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
*Treasurer*—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

### BRANCH SECRETARIES.

*General Secretary Young Woman's Branch*—Miss Clara M. Sears, 106 West 14th street, Anderson.  
*General Secretary L. T. L. Branch*—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, North Manchester.

### SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

#### I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.  
*Organizers*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work*—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Martinsville.  
*Work Among Colored People*—Miss Susan Clark.  
*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, 129 E. 6th St., Peru.

#### II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

#### III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Alice Geary, Marion.  
*Scientific Temperance Work*—Mrs. Pleasant Bond, 1634 Park Ave., Indianapolis.  
*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.  
*The Press*—Mrs. May Moser, Loogootee.  
*Purity*—Mrs. Frances E. Boyer, Frankfort.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
*Mothers' Meetings*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Anti-Narcotics*—Mrs. Elizabeth Drake, Ft. Wayne.  
*Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Home and Homeless Children*—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, 72 West Main street, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
*Relation of Temperance to Labor, and Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.  
*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Dr. Jessup Smith, Wabash.  
*Petition and Legislation*—Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg.

#### IV. EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.  
*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. J. B. Sucece, 118 N. 8th St., LaFayette.  
*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
*Jail and Prison and Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Ellen Denny, Vincennes.  
*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.

#### V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Ethel Tyree McWhirter, DePauw University Greencastle.  
*State and County Fairs*—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

#### VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.  
*Police Matron*—Mrs. Annie Palmateer, Terre Haute.

#### ASSOCIATE EVANGELISTS.

Mrs. R. C. Travis, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Anna Eldridge, Irvington.  
 Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
 Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
 Mrs. Belle Flowers, Shelbyville.  
 Miss Eveline Riley, Marion.

#### ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

Rev. Mattie O. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Allie Anderson, Francisville.  
 Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403, Ash street, Indianapolis.  
 Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Terre Haute.  
 Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

#### COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

*Adams County*—Mrs. Rose Hamma, Geneva.  
*Allen County*—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
*Bartholomew County*—Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope.  
*Benton County*—Mrs. Amanda Smith, Otterbein.  
*Blackford County*—Mrs. W. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Boone County*—Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thornton.  
*Carroll County*—Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora.  
*Cass County*—Mrs. Esther Grable, Logansport.  
*Clark County*—Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.  
*Clinton County*—Mrs. Emma Saylor, 604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort.  
*Crawford County*—Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton.  
*Dearborn County*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*Decatur County*—Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.  
*DeKalb County*—Mrs. L. C. Jones, Garrett.  
*Delaware County*—Mrs. Ella Bond, Muncie.  
*Dubois County*—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.  
*Elkhart County*—Mrs. Laura Phoenix, Middlebury.  
*Floyd County*—Mrs. Dr. Jones, 921 Pearl St., New Albany.  
*Franklin County*—Mrs. Maggie Smith, Bath.  
*Fulton County*—Mrs. Dr. Shafer, Rochester.  
*Grant County*—Mrs. Gulie Shugart.  
*Hamilton County*—Mrs. Phebe L. Doan, Westfield.  
*Hancock County*—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
*Henry County*—Mrs. S. A. R. Boor, New Castle.  
*Howard County*—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
*Huntington County*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, 32 Salamonie avenue, Huntington.

*Johnson County*—Mrs. Anna Alexander, Whiteland.  
*Knox County*—Mrs. Arrie Polk, Freelandville.  
*Lake County*—Mrs. Alice M. Sohl, Hammond.  
*LaPorte County*—Mrs. India Worthley, Michigan City.  
*Madison County*—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexander.  
*Marian County*—Mrs. M. L. Gipe, 1730 Broadway, Indianapolis.  
*Marshall County*—Mrs. E. H. Blain, Plymouth.  
*Martin County*—Miss Susie Major, Loogootee.  
*Miami County*—Mrs. Anna Kilmer, Peru.  
*Morgan County*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Newton County*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Parke County*—Miss Ida Cox, Coloma.  
*Perry County*—Mrs. Helen Shank, Rome.  
*Posey County*—Mrs. Eva Evertson, Mt. Vernon.  
*Randolph County*—Mrs. G. W. Ross, Union City.  
*Ripley County*—Mrs. J. Thackery, Sunman.  
*Rush County*—Mrs. India Smith, Milroy.  
*Spencer County*—Mrs. E. C. Graham, Rockport.  
*St. Joseph County*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
*Steuben County*—Mrs. Alma Shaw, Ashley.  
*Tippacanoe County*—Mrs. Miss Addie Borum, Attica, Rural Route.  
*Union County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.  
*Vigo County*—Mrs. Emma Joice, 1214 N. 11th St., Terre Haute.  
*Wayne County*—Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
*Washington County*—Mrs. Mary Overman, Salem.  
*Whitley County*—Mrs. Clara A. Remington, S. Whitley.  
*Warrick County*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Newburg.  
*Wabash County*—Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, Wabash.  
*Wells County*—Mrs. Julia Thurber, Ossian.  
*White County*—Mrs. Etta White, Chalmers.

### FRANCHISE.

Happy are we who live in an age when "names and creeds and alters fall, and Christ our Lord is all in all." For He alone is the search light of the mind; He it is that has brought to the world emancipating truth; He is the inexorable force to which all plans of the human race must yield; He has said and shall he not bring to pass that heavenly fiat which has gone forth that no large advances are to be made by men alone in the great realms of Church and State from which their laws have debarred those loving and sagacious advisers who, as the best of them are free to admit, have been to them the strength and joy of life?

As it is well known Norway has called in the help of women in its efforts to solve the drink problem, all above twenty-five years of age having been made voters on the temperance question.

We have never had a more comprehensive argument for woman suffrage than that priceless sentence from Abraham Lincoln: "No person is good enough to govern another without his consent." One of the best results of the ballot for women will be the greater willingness of men to vote. Statistics tell us that the stay-at-home vote constantly increases. It is avowed by the *Boston Arena* that in some cities less than thirty per cent of the voters cast the ballot, and in twenty-four of our largest cities barely half the voters go to the polls. But it is observed that in cities where women have the ballot, a much larger proportion of men exercise the liberty of the franchise.

At last the welcome light has broken, and we have discovered woman's ability to be something more than man's plaything, or servant, or slave, something more than a helpless being dependent on man for support. We have discovered that the trained woman is not inferior to the trained man, that the persuasive eloquence of Frances E. Willard did not suffer in comparison with the speech of any man of the country, and that in a great variety of pursuits, success perches upon the woman's banner as kindly to award its approval as upon man's.

Women, use the press, use the press, and let the whole world know. M. A. TOMPKINS.

As we are nearing the end of the year, I urge that you will remember to have your reports in promptly, so that you may have due credit for all work done. Please read very carefully the Plan of Work and see whether you are working according to the plans. The questions at the close will indicate the lines of work and I sincerely hope that you may answer them very fully. If any Union has not received copies of the Plan, please let me know immediately and you shall have it. State Evangelists will, in the future, only be appointed upon the recommendation of local and county Unions and with the endorsement of the State Executive Committee.

I am thankful that the number who have expressed a willingness to receive literature on Household Economic Work is increasing each year, showing that our society is appreciating more fully the necessity of doing all around work, in order that all the faculties bestowed on us by our Heavenly Father may become fully developed. I am extremely anxious that you will report before the State Convention any work done in your vicinity, whether you have been the promoter or some other body of women.

Our little union is giving the best of its efforts to the training of the children in L. T. L. and anti-cigarette clubs. You would be surprised how much help you would receive from outsiders in the anti-cigarette work, and this is why I insist that every union can conduct an anti-cigarette league. With it you have abundant opportunity to carry on the L. T. L. work as well. Hence I feel we are losing golden opportunities when we neglect this special line of work. If you will address "The National Anti-Cigarette League" 1118 and 1119, Woman's Temple, La Salle street, Chicago, Illinois, enclosing a few cents, you

will feel you are living in a favored age, and not rest until you have received supplies for active work. There is not a Sabbath-school but will gladly espouse the cause, as they are doing in this and other States. Assuring you this is the open door to reach many hitherto unapproached, I am yours for the work.

MARY A. MOODY.

### PRESS.

It seems we must continually wage our peaceful warfare. Many of you have no doubt noted that both daily and weekly papers frequently print in their editorial columns, articles advocating the return of the whisky canteen to army camps as a temperance measure, claiming that the abolition of the army canteen has resulted in an increase of intemperance, insubordination, discontent, desertion and disease. These misrepresentations and falsehoods should be met with facts, distinctly stated in the columns of the papers in which they appear. The whisky element are working to bring about the restoration of the canteen at the reassembling of Congress, and the people are being led by false reports to believe that the canteen really was a temperance measure. Have explained in the papers just what the canteen is. Many think it is the canteen carried by soldiers in the Rebellion, and do not know that it was a saloon or a store where beer was sold along with pins and needles and other necessities for the soldiers. So that while the enemy is spreading the falsehoods, we must see that the people know the truth.

MRS. MAY MOSER.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

The third quarterly temperance lesson appears September 22. Prov. 23:29-35. An excellent temperance lesson. Lesson writers have given us good notes and much practical teaching. Urge the pledge signing. Lengthen the State pledge chain. Make the day an attractive temperance day. Remember that Indiana won the banner last year because of good reports sent in, thereby giving names of superintendents appointed, the banner being given to largest increase of superintendent, so please send in full yearly reports by the 15th of September. Send report of September 22 immediately and we will try to get report in convention.

Take notice. Send pledge cards to Mrs. Minnie M. Gwinn, 324 Courtland avenue, Kokomo, Ind., who will receive and care for them in our convention city. Let us have good all around reports and keep the banner. Write anything which may be of interest to me.

ALICE G. GEARY.

### CONVENTIONS.

Unusual activity in every union in the State indicates something of the interest felt in the approaching convention season. Many county conventions will be held during this month. When the roll of local presidents is called how many will respond yes to having organized an L. T. L., and yes to having organized a Y. or Y. branch? How many local presidents will be able to announce a gain of ten new members over and above all removals and deaths?

Now is a time that local superintendents can look at the results of their year's labor. No member should be superintendent of more than one department. At this time local union officers can estimate the amount of ground gained and consider plans for the future.

As far as possible all members should attend the county conventions. From an educational standpoint it is well to take the boys and girls too. One day spent in the average W. C. T. U. county convention will be great value to a High School boy or girl. We need them and they will enjoy the spirit of our conventions.

Kokomo Legioners are expecting many Legioners to attend the State W. C. T. U. and L. T. L. conventions. Send them, money spent for a trip like that will be of far greater value to them than presents at Christmas time.

Every union should send its full quota of delegates to the State Convention. Every delegate who is a mother, who possibly can do so, should take her son or daughter to Kokomo to attend the convention and remain over Sunday. All these boys and girls can secure board at reasonable prices, and oh, the inspiration they receive will be worth much to them. Our Local Committee on Boarding will give you information in regard to rates.

Prof. John B. De Motte's illustrated lecture, "Python Eggs and the American Boy" ought to be seen and heard by all boys and girls in America. No other man has succeeded in presenting in a pleasing manner such dazzling truths. Be sure and arrange to take some young person with you to hear Prof. De Motte on Saturday evening of the Convention.

We need young people to become interested in our cause. Invite them to attend our State Convention. If they belong to your own household bring them with you.

### DELEGATES TO THE STATE CONVENTION.

Invite your husbands and your ministers to attend the State Convention. They will enjoy hearing Prof. De Motte's lecture on Saturday evening, and spending Sunday evening at Kokomo, if they can not leave their business for the entire time of the Convention and they can secure board at reasonable rates.



STATE L. T. L. CONVENTION.

The Seventh Annual Convention of the Indiana State L. T. L. will be held October 4 to 6, at Kokomo in connection with the W. C. T. U. Convention, October 4 to 9.

General Secretary and Associate County and Local L. T. L. Branch Secretaries and L. T. L. graduates are members of the Convention.

L. T. L.'s are urged to send their Senior Legioners as delegates and to forward their address to Ida M. Mix, Chairman Entertainment Committee.

Bring your marching songs and L. T. L. Banners. With hope and faith this call is sent out to all Indiana Legioners, asking your co-operation and prayers in making this Convention a success.

EDITH HILLIS,  
Acting President.  
KATHRIN ELIZABETH STRAW,  
Corresponding Secretary.

FIELD NOTES.

Peru L. T. L. met at the home of its Secretary, Lulu Apt, on East Second street last Tuesday; had a splendid meeting, sixteen new members joined. The Secretary and her sister and brother procured the new members. We are to have an L. T. L. Silver Medal Contest real soon in the assembly hall of the Howe Factory. We think the influence will do some good, we hope so.

Mooreville Union observed Flower Mission day. Bouquets with Scripture texts were sent to the sick, afflicted and the aged. A little bow of white ribbon accompanied each text.

At the Parke County Convention on one evening will be held the Peace Congress of Nations in costume. Take the babies to the county conventions. Secure a Cradle Roll for your Union. Be sure and have a chorus of children's voices to sing at the convention and get as many boys as girls. We need the little boys—and the big boys, too—in this warfare.

"Anent Woman Suffrage" is the name of a good suffrage speech delivered by "Hans Schneider" in a debate on Woman Suffrage at Acton Park. This is being issued in leaflet form at 10 cents per dozen, or 35 cents per hundred. Send for some of them to Mr. A. T. Riley, Greencastle, Ind.

Economy W. C. T. U. has a nicely fitted up headquarters and will, this time, entertain Wayne County convention.

The Program of the Worthington Union is beautiful and well arranged. The meetings are held on the second Tuesday in each month.

The Prohibition and W. C. T. U. basket meeting, held August 21, at the fair grounds at Converse, was largely attended and a great success. The speakers were Elder Samuel W. Traum, Elder Nathan Johnson, Miss Laura Cammack and Rev. George Babcock, all of Converse; Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, of Amboy, and Miss Clara Worl, of Peru. The music was furnished by the Converse and Amboy quartettes and the W. C. T. U. chorus, of Converse. In the afternoon a medal contest was held. The speakers were young men and young women. The contest was conducted by Miss Lulu Hunt, of Amboy. A patriotic flag drill and home protection march, by a class of young ladies from Amboy, closed the program.

Conventions will be held in the following counties: List of some county conventions.

Counties.	Place.	Date.	Contest.
Bartholomew	Columbus	September 12	.....
Boone	Thorntown	.....	.....
Clinton	Jefferson	September 20	.....
DeKalb	Auburn	September 20	.....
Elkhart	New Paris	September 25-26	Yes.
Grant	Marion	September 18-19	.....
Henry	Knightstown	September 19-20	Yes.
Howard	Kokomo	September 13	Yes.
Huntington	Huntington	September 26-27	Gold
Madison	Anderson	September 18-19	.....
Miami	Converse	September 18	.....
Martin	Loogootee	September 24-25	Yes.
Parke	Marshall	September 5-6	.....
Steuben	Angola	September 18-19	Gold
Randolph	Farmland	September 10	Gold
St. Joseph	South Bend	September 17	.....
Vigo	Terre Haute	September 19-20	.....
Wayne	Economy	.....	.....
Wabash	N. Manches	September 25	.....

Greensburg W. C. T. U.—The regular meeting of Greensburg W. C. T. U. was held August 6, at the country residence of Frank Gray, one mile east of the city. A hay wagon, decorated with bunting and flags, was sent in by Mr. Gray for the crowd, which proved large and weighty, and too much for the wagon, which broke down just outside the corporation, dumping the load in the highway, compelling a tramp on the cross-ties of the Big Four the remainder of the trip. All got there, however, swelling the number of visitors to more than one hundred.

The usual exercises, led by Mrs. Moody, local president, were followed by an article on cider, by Mrs. Wright, county president, which was exhaustively discussed by Revs. Lathrop and Potter, Drs. Wheatley and Wright, and Messrs. Thompson, Privett and Moody. For once the masculine element got the floor—or ground—and the women listened and let them go in.

Refreshments of cake and ices were served. Several snapshots of the crowd were taken by Mr. Chas. Woodward, and another wheel having been obtained the crowd returned to the city without further accident, having had a delightful afternoon with an addition of three new members.

The B. P. O. E., of Greensburg, held a street fair last week, commencing with the twelfth and winding up in a glare of fire works on the evening of the seventeenth. Two years ago we had an event of the kind and a great deal of opposition to such demoralizing and debauching scenes was developed; nevertheless the God and morality element again bowed the knee to Baal, and for a week revelry and vice have had full sway, while a black record has been made, the influence of which will long be felt in church and home. At first the W. C. T. U. and Prohibitionists were inclined to let the occasion go by default. On the former occasion, two years ago, a successful effort to lift a standard and show our colors was encouragement to try again, and a faithful few took possession of Dr. Wright's lawn, raised tents, and with flags and decorations, furnished meals and literature for the multitude. The outcome was glorious in the influence yielded for right and the cause, and also in the financial return. About four hundred were fed a full meal. The receipts in all \$115, and profit over all expense \$81. Give a fresh impetus to the cause and put new life (and some new members) into the organization. The enclosed accounts of Mrs. Beauchamp's series of meetings may be of interest to the readers of the MESSAGE. With our late experience we feel that it is always in order to "enter every open door," and it is the thing to do even with a street fair of his satanic majesty's getting up.

Songs of Happy Life, by Sarah J. Eddy, contains a valuable collection of songs appropriate for Bands of Mercy and Loyal Temperance Legions.

Mrs. Francis E. Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., one of the National Officers of the W. C. T. U. and Kentucky's State President, one of the most brilliant and talented women in the nation, was a guest for Saturday and Sunday of the Greensburg union.

Miami County Convention will be held at Converse one day and one night, September 18. Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter has been secured to lecture in the evening, for which we are much pleased.

Peru W. C. T. U. elected the following officers at its last meeting: President, Mrs. Anna Kilmer; Vice President, Mrs. Dora Danful; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Eveline Fisher; Treasurer, Julia Parsons. We elected our Delegates to State Convention also. We are made sad to-day by the death of Mr. Sharp, father of Miss May Sharp, who has served us so long as a faithful Secretary. She resigned because her father needed all her attention. We sorrow with our dear sister. She has been one of the few faithful ones.

At Acton Park the subject of Peace and Arbitration was presented by the State Superintendent of that department. Mrs. Emma Hadley, of Richmond, who accompanied the superintendent, gave appropriate song service. At Island Park Assembly a larger audience listened to the same theme, and some very kind expressions of endorsement and sympathy were given. Yet the war notes of this present time seem to almost drown the voice that pleads for peace. For this very reason is the need greater that this voice should be heard, and we find very many eager to hear, for the heart of the people still loves to be at peace. I hope soon to send you a program for parlor meetings, which I think we can, through the coming year, make a power for good.

Huntington County is to the fore in activity. A Mercy contest at Roanoke, a W. C. T. U. contest at Anderson, with Mrs. Teats holding meetings at both places and at Huntington, and as a result over a dozen new members, is not so bad a showing in a couple of months, especially when the new force includes ministers and excellent material for future influence. County Convention September 26 to 27, with Mrs. McWhirter and a gold medal contest. Hurrah!

Mrs. Mary E. Teats, of California, has given the LaFayette people some excellent service. At a union service of four churches she spoke on some of the departments of the W. C. T. U., especially that of purity.

In the Presbyterian church a meeting for women only was held, from which great good will result. Eight new members were secured.

The county President, Miss Borum, arranged for a meeting on Saturday evening and Sunday for Mrs. Teats at Shawnee Mound. Much interest manifested by the people. We are glad to have Mrs. Teats in Indiana.

Mr. James Gipe attended a meeting in Columbus recently and spoke with great acceptability.

The Frankfort Union districted the city and a house to house canvass was made. We distributed five hundred of the leaflets entitled "What the National W. C. T. U. Has Done."

The Frankfort Union is anxious to have a part in the 1500 gain in membership and they secured Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter as the best and surest way of inspiring the people. Mrs. McWhirter was with us August 13. She delivered a powerful address in the M. E. Church; subject, "The Church versus the Saloon." Every effort had been made to interest the people and a large audience was present to hear her. All were pleased; some who had never participated in a W. C. T. U. meeting were present and instead of re-

maining silent and showing their disapproval of our principles; joined heartily in the Doxology at the close. Tables were arranged in the basement and amid the flowers and flags, light refreshments were served at the close and several new members were gained.

The Clinton County W. C. T. U. conducted a rest at their county fair. A large tent was rented and located near the floral hall. Comfortable chairs, cots and pillows were placed there, and many hundreds of mothers and children sought comfort, and rest, and quiet beneath our tent. Some of the White ribbon ladies were in attendance constantly to welcome all. Thousands of pages of literature were distributed. Many were the praises heard on every side. Some were heard to say "That W. C. T. U. free rest is doing more good than a dozen lectures would."

Grant County Convention will be held September 18 to 19, in the Christian Tabernacle at Marion. They hope to have Mrs. Beauchamp for the lecture of the 18th.

Marion Central W. C. T. U. is gaining new members almost every meeting. Each loyal member has pledged herself for one new member this quarter.

A class of fifteen graduates will attend the L. T. L. State Convention at Kokomo, from Marion Central L. T. L.

Churubusco W. C. T. U. held two Silver Medal Contests, August 30 to 31. The contestants for the first night were five boys; Master Alfred Jeffries winning the medal; his subject was "Mixing Politics With Religion." The contestants for the second night were six girls; Miss Dora Metsker winning the medal; her subject was "A Political Parade." Each contestant, except those winning the medals, received a book. We think this is a good plan, as it places good literature in the hands of our young people.

MARY M. COULTER,  
President.

Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, our efficient State Superintendent of Law and Statistics, will soon move to Texas. We greatly regret to lose so valuable a friend and worker.

Putnam County was organized on August 30, at Roachdale. Representatives being present from Greencastle, Bainbridge and Roachdale unions.

Miss Hadley, through whose untiring efforts organization was made possible, was present, and in her own sweet manner made everybody feel interested and at home.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Mary Webb, Greencastle; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Anna ———, Roachdale; Treasurer, Mrs. ———, Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. A. Rice, Roachdale.

The Convention was greatly interested in the evening lecture delivered by Miss Hadley.

The cordial hospitality of the Roachdale people was greatly appreciated by visiting delegates.

Huntington County—The following points in the Huntington county program indicate that great results will surely follow that county convention. Music in charge of Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Wheeler. "The Apathy of Temperance People; Who is Responsible?" Mrs. Rhodes of Andrews. At 2 p. m. of first day, County President's annual address, followed by reports of County Officers and Local Presidents. A Mother's Hour. In the evening a Gold Medal contest. Second day—Reports of County Superintendents of Departments. "Motherhood and Child Culture." Department Mothers' Meeting, Mrs. DeLong, of Roanoke. Fifteen minutes for discussion, followed by plans for gaining new members and attracting visitors to local meetings, by a member from each local Union. Election of county officers and Superintendents, followed by a song service. "Our Rescue Forces; the Children." Department of L. T. L. work, discussion and organization of L. T. L., Mrs. Zent, of Roanoke. Report of committees, etc. Invitations for membership. Consecration service. Closing with evening address.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. Ettie Scott, a sweet, lovable and honored member of the Hadley W. C. T. U., was called home August 7, after a long illness from consumption. During all her suffering she was always patient and cheerful. To see and know her was to love her. Just a short time before her death she told her friends she would have to go and bade the members of her family farewell, requesting each should meet her in the Glory Land. She was faithful to the cause of temperance and the first in every good work. We know our loss is her gain. Like many others, our union on earth is broken, but one more tie is added to the union in heaven, where the little white bow will be exchanged for the white robe and palms of victory. She leaves a husband and three children.

Elizabeth Ingling, daughter of Tomas and Emily Milhouse, was born May 27th, 1848, died May 16th, 1901. She lived with her parents near Bridgeport until she was married to Apowler Ingling, Sept. 11th, 1866. Death was not unlooked for, as she has been a sufferer for several months. Yet it seemed to those who were watching beside the dear one that she was resting easier on that particular morning. Yet the message came and thus ended the life of a faithful wife, a loving and devoted mother, a kind and helpful neighbor, a quiet, unassuming, but active and faithful church member; her kind, loving and generous spirit was felt wherever she went. She had a birth right in the Friends' Church, but later joined the M. E. Church by letter. She was a member of the Bridgeport W. C. T. U. and was anxious to do all she could in the line of temperance work. She leaves a husband, daughter, relatives and many friends to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson, was born in Clark county, Ohio, Aug. 31, 1833, and died after an illness of two weeks at Rich Valley, Wabash county, Indiana, Aug. 23, 1901, aged 67 years, 11 months and 23 days. She was a member of the Josephine R. Nichols' Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Wabash, and one of the heroines of the crusade days. Her whole life was one of self sacrifice; her heart was ever open to those in need or distress as a mother to the motherless. Her niece and nephew mourn her loss to-day as the only mother they have ever known.



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## INDIANA WHITE RIBBON SPECIAL TO FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Ft. Worth, Texas, November 15 to 20. One fare plus two dollars has been announced for the round trip.

The routes selected are the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis; the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Texas & Pacific from St. Louis to Ft. Worth. The distance from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth is about one thousand miles. The route passes through Little Rock, the capitol of Arkansas; Malvern, which is located twenty-two miles east of Hot Springs; Texarkana; Marshall, Longview, Minneola and Dallas, Texas. The rate from Indianapolis to Ft. Worth and return will be \$28.90.

The White Ribbon special coach, containing our Indiana delegates and friends, will leave Indianapolis on November 12 at 3:25 p. m. via Big Four. On the sides of the coach will be great white streamers upon which will be these words: "Indiana W. C. T. U. Enroute to Ft. Worth, Texas." Instead of taking the sleeper at Indianapolis we will use a regular coach provided for our exclusive use to St. Louis, at St. Louis we will find our sleeper waiting for us in the Union station. The expense for the sleeper through from St. Louis to Ft. Worth will be \$2.00 for a double berth, which will accommodate two people.

The Kentucky and Tennessee delegations are planning to meet us at St. Louis. How delightful it will be to have them join us. Several college girls will join our party. Mothers are urged to consider the advantages of the trip for themselves and their young people. Very reasonable hotel and boarding house rates will be made for all visitors at the convention. Usually \$1.00 per day rate is made. Where could \$6.00 be spent for yourself, your daughter or son in board where it would bring more lasting benefit?

Persons desiring an extension of time on their return tickets, in order to visit relatives or friends in Texas, should communicate with Mrs. McWhirter. All persons expecting to join the party should see their ticket agents at least one week previous to time of starting and request them to have on hand a return trip ticket to Ft. Worth; if possible, get a ticket that does not have to be signed at St. Louis. We hope that all who can do so will join us at Indianapolis. We leave in afternoon in order to make it possible for all to arrive in Indianapolis without any night travel. We want some of the good husbands and brothers to go with us. If they do, we will promise them plenty to eat on the trip.

To attend a National convention of the greatest reform organization of the world means much. Few can do so without getting an inspiration that will lead to a higher, holier life. That young lives may have this privilege, make an effort to take some young person with you. The text book knowledge, or the class room experience of seven or eight days, can in no way give the breadth of view, the education or inspiration that surely results from travel and close touch with representatives of the greatest woman's organization the world has ever known. Christian women, mothers and sisters as diplomats, parliamentarians, logical thinkers, debaters and orators, all enlisted in a warfare against the liquor traffic and its attendant evils. Friends of the W. C. T. U. are cordially invited to join our party. Everybody is requested to bring a well filled lunch basket, thus saving dining car expense.

Have as much baggage as possible checked through to Ft. Worth.

The following is a list of Railroad Rates to Ft. Worth, Texas, and return on account of the National W. C. T. U. Convention:

Anderson	\$30.00
Aurora	30.40
Elkhart	30.70
Frankfort	28.75
Ft. Wayne	31.15
Greencastle	27.65
Greensburg	29.15
Indianapolis	28.90
Kokomo	29.20
LaFayette	28.35
Logansport	29.65
Marion	30.50
Muncie	30.40
Richmond	30.40
Rockport	27.91
Terre Haute	26.65
Vincennes	26.05
Wabash	30.54
Winchester	30.40

All persons desiring to avail themselves of this trip and a visit to Hot Springs, Arkansas, can get further particulars regarding the trip by applying to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis.

## THE STATE MINUTES.

Following the precedent set by the State, in sending the National Minutes to the State Superintendents and County Presidents, the State Convention again adopted the resolution that the counties should send a free copy of the State Minutes to each Local Union President, County President and County Superintendent. In view of the fact that in order to do effective work, our workers must have tools to work with, we especially urge every county to comply with this request at an early date. The Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out and should be in the hands of the women as early as possible. Furthermore, it is urged that every Union in the State should furnish their Local Officers and Superintendents with a free copy of the State Minutes. The number of Minutes taken in a county will again be placed at the head of the counties, as has been done this year. We are gratified that there was an increase in sale of Minutes last year over that of the year before and feel assured that there will be an increase this year over last. The Unions and counties whose every officer and Superintendent is supplied with a free copy will receive special notice in the MESSAGE and State Minutes. Will persons, sending in orders, please state whether everyone is supplied or not? Price of Minutes same as last year, 15 cents if sent by mail. This covers postage, or 10 cents if sent by express and you pay the expressage. Again, let me urge you to send in your orders at once to Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Another year I have been selected to lead you in the work of the Young Woman's Christian Temperance Union Branch, and ask for your co-operation, prayers and reports. Let this be our best year. Who will be the first to double their membership? Chalmer Y. received the state banner and Ashley stood next highest. Now who will try for it next year? Let us take an offering once a quarter and send to the Y. secretary for a fund to have a new, clean, fresh banner for our next state convention.

Miss Mable Jeffery, of South Bend, is the new Flower Mission Superintendent. Again a member of the Y., our dear Miss Ethel McWhirter, felt, with her school work at DePauw University, she could not take it again, so please notice the change and write Miss Jeffery for plans.

Mrs. R. W. McMahan, 805 Meridian street, Anderson, Ind., address of the new State Superintendent; she is also a Y. W. C. T. U. and we feel very proud to have another give her time to this department.

Goodland Y. sent in their report too late for this year, but will be placed in the first quarter's report, December 15; thirteen active and ten honorary members. We are proud of the Goodland Y. Double your membership this year if you can.

Telegram of greeting and congratulation was sent to our beloved National Secretary, Miss Clara M. Parrish.

Y. conference Saturday, 7:30 A. M.; the Secretary, Miss Sears, was in the chair. Prayer, Miss Palmer. All recited John 3:16, after which Miss Edwards was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. New state Y. programs were distributed, and Mrs. Metz led in the discussion in regard to the lowering of the Y. dues from \$1.00 to 50 cents. Recommendation of the same was to be presented to the convention, but on account of the unconstitutionality of the recommendation the same was expunged from the minutes. Number of Y. delegates present, 16; visitors, 8. After announcing the afternoon program, we adjourned. CLARA M. SEARS, Secretary Y. Branch.

## A BRITISH WHITE RIBBONER.

Miss C. I. Tinling, a lecturer and organizer of the British Woman's Temperance Association, is in this country and will attend the National Convention at Fort Worth, Texas. She is now working in Vermont, but is open to dates in Indiana from November 4 to 11. Her terms are \$5.00 per night and expenses from the last point at which she speaks. Mrs. Fry writes that she is particularly interested in Y. work.

Dear sisters, this may be just the opportunity you need to interest the young people of your community in this great work. Unions desiring to secure the services of Miss Tinling will please write to me at once, before her dates are all taken.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.  
1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.

Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out. Every member needs a copy. Order at once of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

## CONVENTION.

The twenty-eighth Indiana State W. C. T. U. Convention was held at Kokomo, October 4 to 8, in Grace M. E. Church. A cordial welcome was extended to delegates as they stepped off the trains, which continued during their entire stay in the beautiful city of Kokomo. White ribbons fluttered from the carriages and cabs at the stations, waving a welcome at once so significant and silent. The homes were generously open to the representatives of Indiana's noblest, truest womanhood. There were 272 voting delegates present.

The President's address and the officers' reports were received with much interest and appreciation. Although there was reported a decrease in membership in the State, much efficient work has been done.

The Superintendents had charge of the program for Friday afternoon, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, President of the Board of Superintendents, presiding.

Welcome night was greatly enjoyed by all. Seldom have White Ribboners been so truly welcomed by the mayor of a city as by his honor, W. S. Armstrong, whose words were strong and encouraging.

Prof. R. A. Ogg, in behalf of the schools, extended a welcome such only as could be done by a man whose heart and life had been touched by the need of boys and girls for better opportunities through a truer, higher citizenship. Rev. E. G. Shouse, in behalf of the churches, welcomed the convention with a genuine Southern cordiality—possible only for a man of God who has a conception of the need of awakening the Christian conscience of this country to stand with voice and vote against the licensed saloon.

Our own Mrs. Lida Outland, in behalf of the W. C. T. U., welcomed the convention after the great-heartedness of White Ribboners, as one who had heard the wail of humanity and felt the power of the Christ love. Miss Edith Hillis, a beautiful young girl, extended a sweet, loving welcome from the Y's. Master James E. Mix, in behalf of the L. T. L., spoke practical words of welcome in a manner indicating strength and loyalty. No doubt from this young Legion orator, Indiana will hear more in the future.

To respond to the welcomes from the representatives in behalf of the city, the schools, the church and the W. C. T. U., was no small task; however it was the honor and pleasure of the editor of the MESSAGE to make such response.

Response to the Y's was by Miss Clara Sears, State Y. Secretary, whose winsome manner and beautiful spirit cause her to be greatly loved.

Response to the L. T. L.'s, James Gipe, our young Prohibition orator, was practical and inspiring. He is a fine speaker.

The State Loyal Temperance Convention was held on Saturday morning, Miss Edith Hillis, Acting President, presiding. The attendance was large. The President's address and officers' reports were all encouraging and helpful, showing that practical work was being accomplished and the paid membership in the State Legion was nearly doubled during the past year.

On Saturday afternoon Miss Clara Sears, State Y. Secretary, had charge of the program until 3 o'clock, followed by the election of officers. The same officers were re-elected, excepting our dear Mrs. Mary E. Balch, who refused re-election. She has served Indiana so faithfully and well for years that we felt we could not give her up. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, of 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis, was elected Corresponding Secretary as her successor.

Mrs. Brand has traveled much in Indiana and has a host of admiring friends. She will bring earnestness and consecration into her new duties.

On Saturday evening the stereopticon lecture by Prof. John B. DeMotte, subject—"Python Eggs and the American Boy," was well worth the trip to Kokomo—so said many people.

It was indeed a rare privilege for our White Ribboners to hear this great man speak on one of the grandest themes to-day, considered by intelligent beings.

On Sunday morning and evening, our White Ribbon women spoke in the churches of Kokomo, a free will offering in each church being given to the cause.

In the afternoon a mass meeting was held in the convention church addressed by Mrs. E. D. Blair, our National chalk talker, and Miss Marie Brehm, National Superintendent of Franchise and our own Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. The music was excellent.

Platform night was, as usual, very interesting. Short addresses by Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Miss Alice R. Palmer, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Miss Walker, Mrs. Rose Pearce, Mrs. Ada Squires and Mrs. Retta Jones.

In the near future the editor of the MESSAGE is hoping that arrangements can be made so the paper may be received by all Indiana White Ribboners about the first of the month.



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All communications intended for the MESSAGE should be in the hands of the Editor by the 5th of the month.

OCTOBER, 1901.

In your columns in the daily and weekly press please give the people facts about the efforts being made to re-establish the canteen.

Presidents of all Unions are urged to appoint a reporter for the MESSAGE, and request that at least a postal card item be sent to the editor once a month. This item to refer either to the work done by the Union or by a member of the Union.

Unions that are anxious to increase interest in their meetings would do well to have some good reader read and explain a report of one of the State Superintendents, as given in the annual report. Facts from these would also be interesting for public meetings.

## CONVENTION NOTES.

The convention was held in the magnificent Grace M. E. Church, whose pastor, Rev. Leslie Nafitzger, is a royal souled man who "belongs."

The decorations were of yellow and white bunting and the beautiful banners, National, State, County and local.

Mrs. Studebaker, our songstress, ever inspires by her magnetic enthusiasm and sweet self forgetfulness.

The greetings from the ministry of Kokomo were greatly appreciated. Those who came were Reverends Nafitzger, Floyd, Myers, Allen, Shouse and Newlin.

Miss Laura Cammack, of Converse, was time keeper for the convention, and Mrs. Anna Kilmer for the meeting of the Superintendents.

Mrs. Ida Mix, of Kokomo, was elected State L. T. L. Secretary to succeed Mrs. K. T. A. Straw.

A deficit of \$107.00 was reported by the State Treasurer. This amount was pledged by the Convention, so that we may start this year free from debt.

By the generosity of the delegates a life size, framed picture of Miss Willard will be hung on the walls of the High School Assembly Hall at Kokomo.

In many places the school buildings are being named for our departed chieftain, Frances E. Willard.

Because of Indiana's victories in the past, when our Mrs. Farquhar of LaPorte attended the Colorado State Convention, she was invited to sit upon the platform. The President said, "because she came from Indiana."

So much for taking the National banner for membership two years in succession for making the greatest per capita gain in membership. This great victory for our membership was not a third as large as several other States. Last year, because of our plan for Superintendents reporting quarterly, our reports increased so that we won five National banners for department work. Is it any wonder that other States show honor to our members? "Nothing succeeds like success." This year our Superintendents' reports have fallen off as a result of action of the convention to report annually. By request of the Superintendents we are this next year to report again quarterly. Good.

Invitations for the next convention were extended from Huntington and Richmond. The entire delegations from Huntington and Wayne Counties came upon the platform, headed by their respective Presidents, Mrs. Lou E. Rall and Mrs. Hannah Stanley, who each extended an invitation for the next annual convention to come to her County.

By vote of the convention the invitations were referred to the executive committee, where much eloquence and oratory was used. Huntington received the largest vote and the convention of 1902 will be held there. It is one of the most beautiful little cities of northern Indiana, on the banks of the Wabash.

Mrs. Wheeler, of Huntington, who can not see with earthly eyes, sang for the convention several times, once until all hearts were melted. Mrs. Elnora Zent, of Roanoke, sang Indiana's song to the delight of all.

A subscription of \$68.00 was taken for the Hadley Industrial School. Much interest was manifested in the school. The following officers of the Board of Trustees were re-elected: President, Miss Lucretia Hobart, Gallaudet, Marion county; Secretary, Mrs.

Mary Tarlton, 2108 College Avenue, Indianapolis; Treasurer, Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Nora, Marion county.

Miss Addie Austin, representative of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, was present with literature. Miss Austin is a favorite with Indiana White Ribboners and we are always glad when she comes to our meetings.

Mrs. Anna Kilmer, State Superintendent of Work Among Foreigners and the successful President of Miami county, will soon move to Benton Harbor, Mich. Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd, State Superintendent of Law and Statistics, and for years President of Wabash county, has moved to Texas. Mrs. Lottie Searls, State Superintendent of Work Among Colored People, goes soon to Texas also. Mrs. Kidd and Mrs. Searls are from Wabash Union. We regret to lose them, but our loss will be others' gain. By order of the convention, letters will be sent on to the General Officers of Michigan and Texas, telling them of their gain.

The chairmen of convention committees were patient, kind and courteous to every body.

Mrs. Mix, the chairman of Committee on Entertainment, was gracious and kind to all—she "kept sweet."

Prof. Ogg, Superintendent of City Schools, put on the white ribbon. Mrs. Ogg had previously been a member.

Mother Trish brought good cheer to the convention.

Miss Alice R. Palmer, one of our "Round the World Missionaries," has returned to Indiana and is pastor of a Congregational church in Hammond. For several months she has been President of Lake county. Her presence added to the convention.

To our dear Mrs. Mary E. Balch a beautiful solid gold watch was given by the convention, very few delegates not having a share in the gift.

The newspaper editors of Kokomo gave much space to convention reports.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch was elected President of the State Board of Superintendents; Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Secretary; Mrs. Juliet R. Wood, Treasurer.

With unusual enthusiasm the Superintendents of Departments are beginning the year's work. No doubt great good will be accomplished and victories come to Indiana.



MRS. MARY WOOD-ALLEN, World's Superintendent Parity. Author "Almost a Man, Almost a Woman," "Teaching Truth," etc.

## PRESS.

Will the County and Local Presidents please send to me the names of their Press Superintendents very soon? I want us to begin now to make this the best year's work in this department that has ever been made in Indiana.

Surely there is no better nor surer way of reaching the people all over the State than through the press. Keep our work constantly before them; let them know what you are doing, report all meetings, and don't forget the clipping and pasting on muslin of all articles on our work. Let us have many hundreds of yards of these clippings to take to our next State Convention.  
MISS LAURA CAMMACK,  
CONVERSE, IND. State Superintendent.

Prof. John B. DeMotte's illustrated lecture at our State Convention, on Saturday evening, set in motion thoughts that will help every thinking person who heard it. The subject was "Python Eggs and the American Boy." The theme was "habit, the biggest word in the English language." In an interesting and fascinating manner he gave the latest research work in brain building and its effect upon character. Prof. DeMotte, scientist and lecturer, stands first in the list of popular lecturers to-day in America and Europe. Few men possess the versatility, persistence and energetic enthusiasm of Prof. DeMotte. He is a man with an ideal home life, a practical Christian, a musician of rare ability, a favorite among college students, a scientist, lecturer and famous thinker, possessing a great heart, which seeks ever to help and inspire to higher ideals.

## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Is an outspoken friend of woman suffrage. The *Woman's Journal* (Boston) says: "Roosevelt is the first President of the United States since Abraham Lincoln who had expressed himself publicly in favor of woman suffrage before attaining the Presidency. Cleveland proved himself favorable to it by actions rather than words, as he signed bills giving women partial suffrage in New York when he was Governor of that State. Hayes favored it in his quiet way and helped the senior editor of *The Woman's Journal* to get a woman's rights resolution through the National Republican Convention of 1872. Garfield recognized its growing importance. He said: 'Laugh as we may, put it aside as a jest if we will, keep it out of Congress or political campaigns, still the woman question is rising on our horizon larger than the size of a man's hand; and some solution, ere long, that question must find.' Some other Presidents were believed to be more or less friendly to it, but Roosevelt and Lincoln have been the only ones to put themselves conspicuously on record."

"It is still fresh in memory what consternation Roosevelt excited among conservatives by his recommendation of woman suffrage in his message to the legislature when Governor of New York. And Lincoln said in a letter to the electors of Sangamon County, Ill., published in the *Sangamon County Journal*, June 13, 1836: 'I go for all sharing the privileges of the government who assist in bearing its burdens; consequently I go for admitting all whites to the right of suffrage who pay taxes or bear arms, by no means excluding the females.'"

In the death of our beloved sister, Mrs. Frankie Hall, of Franklin, the W. C. T. U. has lost a faithful, loyal, earnest friend. At her funeral, which was very largely attended, the C. W. B. M. ladies and the White Ribboners sat in a body. The MESSAGE extends sympathy to Dr. Homer J. Hall, our friend and co-laborer, the bereaved husband, and to the children.

Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out. Every member needs a copy. Order at once of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.



F. F. KEITH,  
President Illinois Senior L. T. L.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Another year has gone, the books have been closed and again opened at a new and a clean page. We start out this year feeling the need of greater activity for this line of work. We also feel stronger because we have had added to this department such able and earnest women as Mrs. Daisy Shontz, for associate, and Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley as our lecturer. We desire to reach every town in Indiana with our literature and to push this work as never before. Will you, dear reader, help in this work by sending in the name of your Superintendents, county and local? If you do not have Superintendents, please appoint them at once, so that we may send samples of leaflets, our catalogue of literature, annual report, Sabbath laws, responsive readings, etc. Ministers are taking up this work where there are no Superintendents appointed. Send \$1.00 for literature and receive, in addition, free, one of our eighty-three page Manuals, which contain much valuable information on the Sabbath question. No Superintendent can do effective work without the Manual, as it gives forty-five different ways and suggestions of how to work, when to work and where to work. Organize your Sunday school classes into bands of Sabbath observance workers; have them distribute literature from door to door, using such leaflets as No. 16—Sabbath Sunshine in the Home; No. 1—Sabbath Desecration; No. 7—Where are we Drifting? Much effective work can be done by this method. Hold public meetings, using local talent, and sow your literature wherever you go. If your work does not seem to be appreciated, go right on; God sees and understands and He will bless your efforts. We want to take Indiana for Sabbath observance this year; will you help?

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.



## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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*L. T. L.'s, Y's and Medal Work*—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Terre Haute.  
*Work Among Colored People*—Miss Susan Clark, Indianapolis.  
*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Flora Woodard, Peru.

## II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

## III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institute*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Cynthia Smith, Wabash.  
*Scientific Temperance Work*—Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
 Mrs. Laura Axtel, South Bend.  
*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.  
*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.  
*The Press*—Miss Laura Cammack, Converse.  
*Purity*—Mrs. W. B. McMahon, Anderson.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Susan Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Mothers' Meetings*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Home and Homeless Children*—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, Wabash; Mrs. L. M. Beck, Bloomington.  
*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
*Relation of Temperance to Labor*—Miss Flora Wires, Campbellsburg.  
*Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Florence DeLong, Roanoke.  
*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.  
*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Mrs. Amanda Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.  
*Petition and Legislation*—Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg.

## IV. EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.  
*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.  
*Jail and Prison*—Mrs. Anna E. Palmateer, 916 Chestnut street, Terre Haute.  
*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Julia A. Trish.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, South Bend.

## V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Mabel Jeffrey, South Bend.  
*State and County Fairs*—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

## VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.

## COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

*Adams County*—Mrs. Dr. Holloway, Decatur.  
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*Bartholomew County*—Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope.  
*Benton County*—Mrs. Amanda Smith, Oxford.  
*Blackford County*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Boone County*—Mrs. Orpha Crist, Thornton.  
*Carroll County*—Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora.  
*Cass County*—Mrs. Dr. Neff, Logansport.  
*Clark County*—Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.  
*Clinton County*—Mrs. Emma Saylor, 604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort.  
*Crawford County*—Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton.  
*Daviess County*—Mrs. Alice Beaver, Elnora.  
*Dearborn County*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*Decatur County*—Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.  
*DeKalb County*—Mrs. Ida Wise, Auburn.  
*Delaware County*—Mrs. Ella Bond, Muncie.  
*Dubois County*—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.  
*Elkhart County*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Floyd County*—Mrs. Dr. Jones, 921 Pearl St., New Albany.  
*Franklin County*—Mrs. Maggie Smith, Brookville.  
*Fulton County*—Mrs. Jessie Toner, Kewanna.  
*Gibson County*—Mrs. J. E. Jenkins, Princeton.  
*Grant County*—Mrs. Gulia Shugart, Jonesboro.  
*Hancock County*—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
*Hendricks County*—Mrs. Caroline M. Hicks, Danville.  
*Henry County*—Mrs. Susanna Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Howard County*—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
*Huntington County*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, 32 Salamonie avenue, Huntington.  
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*Knox County*—Mrs. Nellie V. Chambers, Westphalia.  
*Lake County*—Miss Alice R. Palmer, Hammond.  
*LaPorte County*—Mrs. Mary F. Fargher, LaPorte.  
*Madison County*—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexander.  
*Marshall County*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
*Marian County*—Mrs. Mary A. Everston, 8003 Graceland avenue, Indianapolis.  
*Martin County*—Miss Susie Majors, Loogootee.  
*Miami County*—Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, Amboy.  
*Morgan County*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Newton County*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Noble County*—Mrs. Nora Knowells, Carroll.  
*Parke County*—Miss May L. Lindley, Bloomington.  
*Porter County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Rice, Hobart.

*Perry County*—Mrs. — Shank, Rome.  
*Pulaski County*—Mrs. Ellen Patten, Oak.  
*Putnam County*—Mrs. Mary G. Webb, Greencastle.  
*Randolph County*—Mrs. Carrie Tomlinson, Winchester.  
*Ripley County*—Mrs. J. Thackery, Sunman.  
*Rush County*—Mrs. India Smith, Milroy.  
*Spencer County*—Mrs. E. C. Graham, Rockport.  
*Shelby County*—Mrs. Zerilda Kimberling, Winterrowd.  
*Steuben County*—Mrs. Alma Shaw, Ashley.  
*St. Joseph County*—Mrs. Katryn Wert Holler, South Bend.  
*Tippecanoe County*—Mrs. Addie Borum, Odell.  
*Union County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.  
*Vanderburg County*—Mrs. M. A. Whistler, Evansville.  
*Vigo County*—Mrs. Alice McDaniels, Terre Haute.  
*Wabash County*—Mrs. Mary Unger, Wabash.  
*Washington County*—Mrs. Mary N. Overman, Salem.  
*Wayne County*—Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
*Wells County*—Mrs. Hannah Reiff, Bluffton.  
*Whitley County*—Mrs. Clara A. Remington, S. Whitley.  
*White County*—Mrs. Etta White, Chalmers.  
*Warrick County*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Petersburg.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Sunday evening** of our State Convention, by invitation of Miss Palmer, who was to speak in Grace church, and by the State officers, Prof. DeMotte was prevailed upon to speak. For nearly one hour this man, with a wonderfully sympathetic nature and a magnetic personality, presented the latest teachings of biology relative to the formation of character. His presentation of scientific matters is so clear and plain that the boys and girls could easily follow his reasoning. The interest was intense; that great audience of over 2,000 people was held spell bound by the forceful, masterly eloquence of one of the rarest, noblest men of his century.

**The L. T. L.** at Fairview, with the W. C. T. U., held a gospel temperance meeting in the church, September 8, after which Mrs. Stahl, of Hartford City, gave a very interesting address. A good collection was taken and several signed the pledge. Fairview Union, of Blackford County, has organized an L. T. L. with twenty members. Hartford City L. T. L. had a picnic at Eaton Park.

**In compliance** with the recommendation of the State Superintendent of Literature to place temperance books in school libraries, the Upland Union has just ordered sixteen dollars worth of books to have ready to present to the public schools at the beginning of the school year. We selected them from the publications of the W. T. P. A., the New Voice Co. and the National Temperance Society, and are expecting large returns. Rev. C. E. Davis, of Marion, Ind., was with us the second and third of September with his stereopticon lectures, and we had a very pleasant, and we trust profitable time together. Our contest work during the year has been greatly appreciated by the people, and we approach the close of the year feeling that our work has not been in vain.

**South Bend Y** is doing a splendid work. The programs for the regular meetings are excellent. Many honories belong.

**The State Convention**, held in Frankfort one year ago, adopted the following as a By-law: "Any woman may become a member by endorsing the constitution, paying an annual membership fee of \$1.00, of which 40 cents shall be paid for State dues, 15 cents for county dues, 20 cents for local dues and 25 cents for the Official organ." By action of the recent state convention held in Kokomo, this By-law became a part of the constitution and is obligatory. No one can be a full member of the W. C. T. U. have a vote in any meeting or hold office until this article of the constitution has been fully complied with.

Until this article of the Constitution has been fully complied with, the 25 cents for the official organ cannot be withheld by the local Union any more than can the 40 cents State dues be withheld. Where two or three persons of one family belong to the W. C. T. U. and all do not want a copy of the paper, then other names should be sent, that the paper may do missionary work. If no name is supplied, then send the 25 cents to the business manager of the paper, who will supply the name for you. In no case can the 25 cents be kept in the local Union for home work without violating the Constitution. So please remember that on the same mail the dues go to the County Treasurers the 25 cents for the MESSAGE, for each member having paid dues, should be sent to the business manager of the MESSAGE, Mrs. Clara Balch, 711 East Eleventh street, Indianapolis.

**Princeton Union.** Officers elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. E. Jenkins; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Simpson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lizzie Metcalf; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ida Hargrove; Treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Pfohl.

**The Executive Committee** of Westfield W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Cox, Monday, and appointed the following Superintendents of departments: Temperance Literature, Phebe L. Doan; L. T. L., Lizzie R. Henley; Sabbath School and Sabbath Observance, Dollie Stalker; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Ruth Stanley; Medal Contests, Melissa Emry; Press, Anna F. Pinkham; Narcotics, Belle Johnson; Evangelistic, Mary A. Cox; Jail and Prison, Mary Gause; Mercy, Clara Roberts; Hadley Industrial School, Maggie Cox; Work among Colored People, Bertha Carter; Systematic Giving, Catherine Elliot; Franchise, Sarah Roberts.

**Miss Marie Brehm**, admired and loved by Indiana women, has been chosen to lead the great host of Illinois White Ribboners, being elected State President on October 11.

**Mrs. Clara Balch** is at the bedside of her father who is very ill.

**Everybody interested** in the work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is invited to join the Indiana party going to Ft. Worth, Texas, to attend the National Convention. One-half regular railroad fare plus \$2.00 will be charged for the round trip from all points.

**Newly elected officers** of Marion County are: President, Mrs. Mary A. Everton, 3003 Graceland Avenue; Vice-President, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 North Capitol Avenue; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. L. D. B. Corvan, 37 Jefferson Avenue; Treasurer, Mrs. Sallie D. Lemon, 64 Woodruff Place, all of Indianapolis; Recording Secretary Mrs. Abba Miars, Bridgeport, Indiana.

**Mrs. D. T. Shannon**, Montpelier, reports the County Convention held at Roll, a new Union of much vigor; five Unions represented; thirteen departments taken up. Officers elected for the coming year as follows: President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. T. Shannon, Montpelier; Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. D. Gynne, Montpelier; Treasurer Mrs. S. J. Emshwiller, Hartford City. A successful convention.

**Newly Elected Officers** of Argos Union are, President, Mrs. Amanda Shedd; Vice-President, Mrs. F. E. Benner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Cordelia Moore; Recording Secretary, Lillian Todd; Treasurer, Miss Louise Shedd; W. T. P. A. agent, Mrs. E. W. Shannon.

**Martinsville Union** officers: President, Mrs. Bessie Groves; Vice-President, Mrs. Delaney; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sophia Toner; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Blankenshipp; Treasurer, Miss Martha Egbert.

**Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson** organized two L. T. L.'s—one at Salem and one at Campbellsburg.

**Mrs. Minor** was made leader at Salem; Miss Blanche Wilson, Treasurer; Miss Eulah Minor, Secretary; Miss Ethel Jackson, Treasurer.

**Campbellsburg L. T. L.** Miss Cora Wires President of Union and I think will be leader. President, Neva Diefendorf; Secretary, Ola Smith; Treasurer, Vanee Brown, all of Campbellsburg.

**Jefferson Union** elected the following officers: Miss Ada Van Sickle, President; Harriet Elliott, Corresponding and Recording Secretary; Mary Thompson, Treasurer.

**Mrs. E. A. D. Blair**, on September 25, organized a fine Legion of seventy-three members in Oxford, Benton county, with the following officers: L. T. L. Branch Secretary, Miss Sue Camper; Assistant L. T. L. Branch Secretary, Miss Flora Looney; L. T. L. President, Ona Chapman; L. T. L. Secretary, Grace Yocum; L. T. L. Treasurer, Ralph Sunbled. Hope other Unions will secure Mrs. Blair after National Convention.

**Washington Union** has appointed an L. T. L. Committee, of which Mrs. Lillie Shields is Chairman. They have obtained supplies and expect soon to organize an L. T. L.

**The election** of the Mary F. Thomas Union, Richmond, resulted in the following officers: President, Sarah M. Childress; Vice-President, Martha J. Little; Corresponding Secretary, Elizabeth W. Candler; Recording Secretary, Mary W. Strode; Treasurer, Laura B. Curtis.

**Floyd County** officers: President, Mrs. Dr. Jones, 920 Pearl street, New Albany; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Onie Davis, Greenville; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Addie Loback, 1807 Beeler street, New Albany; Treasurer, Mrs. Cora Murphy, Galena; Y. Secretary, Miss Ethel Killing, 534 E. Third street, New Albany; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Cora Brace, New Albany.

**Morgan County** has gained new enthusiasm, which always results from the enthusiasm of consecrated young women. All Unions can secure young women if they work to that end.

## COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

**Jennings County** held their convention September 24. Failed to get a speaker, but had a very interesting convention. The officers elected were, President, Sadie H. Eves; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Cora M. Steele; Treasurer, Mrs. Belle C. Alley. A Silver Medal Contest was held in the evening, which was enjoyed by a large audience. Two Contests have been held since and two more are advertised. Our new County Superintendent of Medal work, Mrs. Steele, is pushing the work.

**Marshall County Convention** was held at Argos. Following officers elected: President, Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Louise P. Parks, Bourbon; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Amanda R. Shedd, Argos; Treasurer, Mrs. E. W. Cannon, Argos.

**Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out.** Every member needs a copy. Order at once of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.



## COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

**Pulaski County Convention** was held in the M. E. church, Saturday afternoon, September 21. Mrs. Ellen Potter, of Oak, was chosen President, and Mrs. May Blue, of Star City, Secretary, and Mrs. Eliza Haymond, of Francesville, Treasurer. The local Union at Francesville elects officers: President, Mrs. Anna L. Rusk; Secretary, Mrs. Clara Wilson; Treasurer, Mrs. Myrtle Higgins.

**Vigo County W. C. T. U.** convened in the Evangelical church, Terre Haute, September 19 and 20. Memorial services were observed the first day, addressed by Rev. Shumaker. The evening meeting was well attended and Rev. Pearce, of that city, and Mrs. Mary E. Balch, of Indianapolis, were the speakers. The church choir, composed of young people, furnished most excellent music. The church was artistically decorated. The morning of the second day the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Alice McDaniels, Terre Haute; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Ida Lovall, 1647 North Seventh street; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anna E. Palmateer, Friendly Inn of that city; Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Ringold, 1809 North Seventh street. A gold contest the second evening, conducted by Mrs. Ada L. Squires, completed a well filled program of a very interesting convention. Twenty voting delegates present. All the Unions represented. A rising vote of thanks was given to the retiring President, Mrs. Emma Joice, who had served the county faithfully and well for four years.

**Wabash County Convention** was held in the Friends church on the south side. The attendance was large and much important work was accomplished. Following are the names of the officers elected: President, Mrs. Mary Unger; Vice-President, Mrs. Cynthia Jones; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Overman; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Risser; Treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Parmenter. Mrs. Mattie Holloway was chosen as L. T. L. and Mrs. Edna Kerr as Secretary for this work. Mrs. McWhirter, of Indianapolis, delivered a learned and eloquent address on "Love of Country and Humanity." Mrs. McWhirter is one of the ablest and most eloquent lecturers on the platform to-day. Her talk was greatly appreciated by the local members.

**Hendricks County Convention** was held at the Hadley Home, September 25. Officers for the new year as follows: President, Miss Hinks, Danville; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hamilton, Avon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ettie Shaw, Hadley; Treasurer, Mrs. Georgia Hamrick, Coatsville. Superintendents—Press Work, Mrs. Minnie Hunt, Coatesville; Literature, Mrs. Mattie Chandler, Friendswood; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Nellie Jessup, Friendswood; Sunday School Work, Miss Myrtle Bunker, Plainfield; Flower Mission, Mrs. Margaret Kendall, Danville; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Margaret Haworth, Hadley; Hadley Home, Miss Beulah Hadley, Hadley; Medal Contest, Mrs. Sallie Mills, Plainfield; L. T. L., Mrs. Olivia Hope, Coatsville.

**St. Joseph County W. C. T. U.** convention was held Tuesday afternoon and evening, September 17, at the First M. E. church in South Bend. Mrs. Luella McWhirter was with us. She conducted a mothers' meeting on the afternoon of the sixteenth at the home of Mrs. G. T. Hodson, where she had a large hearing. Her helpful words to mothers cannot help but bring great results. Mrs. McWhirter is known to South Bend audiences and her appearance among us was hailed with enthusiasm. The reports of the different departments of work which have been taken up in this county show that advancement has been made. It was brought out that the jail meetings, which are held every Sunday, will keep the thoughts of the imprisoned ones to the work of those who wish to be co-workers with God and his angels, even though they may not see the truths presented as they are seen by those who try to present them. If the minds of these men and women are called from time to time to the possibilities of the higher life, it must in time build in some of the truth of the gospel of love. The W. C. T. U. are always careful to have good reading on hand for the prisoners. More than 26,000 pages of literature were given to those who would receive and no doubt much of it fell on fertile soil. If even one person has felt the warmth of love sent out, the women feel that good has been done; no work or trouble can be computed in value against the quiet, restful hope of even one human soul. Hundreds of bouquets and delicacies have been carried to the sick and afflicted. The evening session began at 7:30 o'clock with a half hour's musical program, in which some of the best talent of the city had a part. Mrs. McWhirter's address followed. She presented her facts in a very forcible manner and completely captivated her audience. Her magnetic influence was keenly felt throughout the sessions of the convention and her pleasing manner and personality have won for her many warm friends. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Daisy Shontz; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Cora Wert; Treasurer, Mrs. Ada Barnard, all of South Bend.

**Wells County Convention** held at Ossian, September 27. The election of officers resulted as follows: County President, Mrs. Manson Reiff, Bluffton, Ind.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Martha McBride, Bluffton, Ind.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Serepta Worley, Ossian, Ind.; County Treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Krewson, Ossian, Ind. The reports were good

and interesting, but were unable to have a state worker, but one of Bluffton's best ministers drove over to Ossian—place of convention—and delivered a fine gospel temperance lecture to a large and appreciative audience.

**Huntington County Convention** convened at Huntington, September 26 to 29. Mrs. McWhirter was at the convention and kindled the fire of enthusiasm, with her bright presence and helpful talks. Gold medal contest, the evening of the twenty-sixth, Miss Cline, of Huntington, being the winner. Friday evening an address was given by Mrs. McWhirter, which touched the hearts of her audience, and many new members were added to the Union. Huntington County, with Mrs. Lou. Roll as President, is coming rapidly to the front.

**Randolph County Convention** was held at Farmland in the Methodist church, lasting one day. Mrs. Baich spoke afternoon and evening; audience small. Elected the same corps of officers, each on the informal ballot, Miss Myrtle Thornbaugh, L. T. L. Secretary and Miss Lizzie Tomlinson, Y. Secretary, both of Cedar Union. The matter of organization in Farmland was canvassed and names taken. The completion of the work deferred for better conditions. At an opportune time, when a full attendance can be secured of those who will join the Union, an organizer will be sent for and a strong working Union added. The County President, Mrs. Carrie Tomlinson, had to be absent because of the illness of her father. Mrs. Emeline More served in her place. Miss Ora Jackson sang afternoon and night with sweetness and power and with great pleasure to her audience.

**Noble County Convention** met in the Lutheran Church at LaOtto, Ind. A very pleasant and profitable time was spent during the sessions and some very interesting topics were discussed. Among them were the "Army Canteen" and "Social Purity." A very excellent paper was read by Miss Maude Gorrell of LaOtto, on the latter subject, followed by an animated discussion. It was by mutual consent that the convention agreed that LaOtto was a cordial entertainer and that the convention was a help and inspiration for renewed effort for the ensuing year. The following officers were elected for the year: President, Mrs. Nora Nowells; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Addie Seymour; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Gorrell; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora Clapp.

**DeKalb County Convention** was held in the M. E. Church at Auburn, Mrs. Mary E. Ehlers, County President, presiding. After the morning devotionals, led by Mrs. Edgar Wise, the welcome address was given by the President and the usual business followed. Mrs. Ehlers gave a full report of the money received and expended in the erection of a flowing fountain placed on the court house lawn by the W. C. T. U. All the organizations of the County assisting, though the Auburn Union planned the work and raised most of the money for its erection, the citizens of Auburn and vicinity contributing generously when solicited. In the afternoon Mrs. Jones of Garrett led, in a very able manner, a discussion on the "Needs of the Hour." It was clearly shown that we very much need consecrated workers, who are not afraid to speak the truth at all times and act in accord with their belief. Rev. Homer, of Waterloo, gave an excellent address in the afternoon, using as his theme these words, "It Does Not Interest Me." He showed very clearly that this question, the liquor traffic, does interest every one of us physically, morally and financially. The evening session was especially good. There were songs by a ladies' and gentlemen's quartette—two fine selections in line with the work; an able address by the pastor of the church, Rev. Krider, of Auburn; text, Joshua, 7:13: "Up, sanctify the people and say: Sanctify yourselves against to-morrow; for thus saith the Lord God of Israel. There is an accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel. Thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from among you." It was shown that the text contains much truth for us to-day. Many practical lessons were drawn therefrom. We as workers feel that we have had an uplift as a result of this meeting.

A very enthusiastic band of women attended the Morgan county convention, which was held in the beautiful village of Monrovia, September 24 and 25. The work done was thorough and will speak for itself in our next year's reports. Mrs. Hattie Brand, a woman of lovely character, was with us and by her earnest, helpful words inspired her hearers to renewed efforts. The convention adopted some new plans: One program for the county Unions, an appropriation for Superintendents, Treasurers to devise ways and means to replenish the Treasury and a county roster. Everyone is pledged to do better work and surely will, under our excellent President, Mrs. S. T. Toner.

**LaPorte County** semi-annual convention, held in Michigan City, September 6. Mrs. Mary F. Fargher, 1409 West Maine street, LaPorte, elected President; Mrs. W. H. Worthly, Michigan City, Secretary; Mrs. Sarah E. Peters, LaPorte, Treasurer.

**The Blackford County W. C. T. U.** convention was held at Roll on September 27. The Union at that place was but a few months old, but we found them alive to the work and the convention was one of the most enthusiastic we have ever had. We had memorial services for our Ex-President, Mrs. Lottie Racer, who had passed away but a few days before the convention. The convention voted unanimously to recommend Mrs. S. M. Stahl to the State Con-

vention for State Superintendent of Evangelistic work. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. F. Shannon, Montpelier; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. D. Guynn, Montpelier; Treasurer, Mrs. S. J. Emshwiller, Hartford City. Superintendents of Departments: Temperance Literature, Mrs. Sarah Knight, Hartford City; Press Work, Mrs. S. D. Anderman, Hartford City; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Adalaide Meeks, Montpelier; Mercy, Mrs. O. H. Shull, Montpelier; Flower Mission, Sarah Harrold, Roll; L. T. L., Mary Putnam, Montpelier; Sunday School, Eliza Bugh; Suffrage, Ella Glover; Jail and Prison, Maggie Shull, Montpelier; Sabbath Observance, Ella Sheehan; Evangelistic Work, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City; Social Purity, Mattie Carl, Montpelier.

**Elkhart County Convention**—We had such an outpouring of the Holy Spirit at our convention that my spirit has been too ecstatic (and is yet) to come down to three hundred words.

Sister Cammack-Gibson can tell you about the first day, but our fullness of joy did not reach me personally until the second day, and I think from the looks of the faces that was the case with most of the audience, especially the W. C. T. U's. Every Union in the County, but Elkhart, was represented, twenty-eight W. C. T. U's being present besides your humble servant. The New Paris ladies showed themselves to be adepts in the art of entertaining, dinner and supper being served at the church; and such dinners! I thought of what Anna Gordon said when herself and Mrs. Stevens were out in the field: "There never were such women as the White Ribbon women." Now for the report for the MESSAGE. If you think it right, could you not make this in two divisions, so as not to exceed the three hundred words in one month? You know every woman in the county who was there will watch for the report, and I do not want any to feel as if they were left out. I have marked the program for you, so you will see what topics were presented.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson presided at the consecration services, which were enjoyed and participated in audibly by the majority of those present. Half an hour was given for greetings and introductions, then dinner. The delegates from Nappanee and Wakarusa, not intending to remain the second day, the suggestion was made that we have the election of officers the first afternoon session instead of the second. The subject when brought before the convention met with approval and Miss Cordelia J. Clark, our faithful and efficient Recording Secretary, re-arranged the program with this in view.

Mrs. Cammack-Gibson presided over the election of the officers. Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, President; Mrs. Laura Cole Phoenix, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Cordelia J. Clark, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Arvilla Z. Vail, Treasurer. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson said she had often been asked the secret of Grant County's success, they having the largest membership of any county in the State, and she always replied, "it was because they always kept the same officers." That being the case, Elkhart County is on the road to victory, for all the officers have served the County for years with one exception, the Corresponding Secretary, this being her fifth year of County service.

The Superintendents of Departments are an enthusiastic, efficient corps, and are as follows: Franchise, Mrs. C. E. Davis, Goshen; Christian Citizenship, H. Arlen, Goshen; Sabbath Observance, R. C. Travis, Elkhart; Literature, Phoebe Rohrer, New Paris; Press, A. P. Daub, Goshen; Scientific Temperance, Miss Lelia Kauffman, Goshen; Flower Mission, Carrie Nusbaum, Middlebury; Relation of Temperance to Labor, Law and Statistics, Mrs. (Dr.) Barwick, Wakarusa; Evangelistic, Laura Cole Phoenix, Middlebury; Y. Secretary, Mrs. Amanda S. Kauffman, Goshen; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. O. W. Cunningham, Goshen.

The topics were ably handled, acceptably presented and well received. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson's lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," like a porcupine, bristled with pertinent points, which the W. C. T. U's of Elkhart County hope will be as hard to dislodge from minds as the porcupine's quills are from flesh. There was not an inharmonious note to mar our rapturous joy during the entire convention. And this will be our rallying cry during the year—

On we march to victory,  
Jesus will our leader be.  
On we march to victory,  
To a final and a glorious victory.

MRS. LAURA COLE PHOENIX.

Minutes will soon be ready to be sent out. Every member needs a copy. Order at once of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

### IN MEMORIAM.

SISTER LOTTIE RACER—We, the members of the Blackford County Convention of the W. C. T. U., recognize the hand of God in removing our co-worker and beloved sister; and,

Resolved, that while we bow in submission to the will of God, we do mourn the loss of our sister exceedingly. That we praise God for raising up such a sincere, earnest woman, as Sister Racer to work in this blessed cause of temperance.

Resolved, that this tribute of love and respect be placed upon our record, published in the state paper and a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

AGNES DODGE, President, Roll, Ind.  
MATTIE CARL, Vice-President, Montpelier, Ind.  
FLORETTA WESTON, President, Montpelier, Ind.  
Committee.



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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR SISTERS AND CO WORKERS—In the beginning of our new year let every one consider herself a committee of one to carry out the plans adopted at our State Convention as practical lines on which we hope to do good work in the future. No woman can possibly make a failure who does her best.

I am becoming more favorable every year to our way of having a definite "Plan of Work, and then working loyally by it."

Those Six Papers of Note should create an enthusiasm in the mind of every White Ribboner, and a determination to win, not unlike the feeling we used to have in our school girl days over a spelling match, or a contest in oratory. I think if I could be the successful one and have a place on the program at Huntington I should know something of the delight that must thrill the heart of an author over his first book.

Benefit night should be a grand surprise to each of us at our next convention by a crowded platform of successful County Presidents, whose good works will stimulate the audience to give a good collection.

The State Banner—There is very little about it to make its presence desirable except what it stands for. But I sincerely hope the contest for its custody will create a demand for a more up-to-date one for future use.

Honorary Membership—I do not know of a better way to secure workers or the wherewithal to do the work than a large honorary membership, and yet Unions remain poor in treasury because they do not invite men to join our organization. Not a few of our women give liberally to the Prohibition party as well as the Temperance Societies composed of men, and I have reason to believe our brothers would in turn give to us their membership if rightly approached. Let every local Union try this year for an equal number of Active and Honorary members.

I would lovingly urge all County Presidents to make a careful survey of their respective fields. In almost every locality there are at least a few women who, after having been supplied with our literature, are sufficiently interested in our work to gladly help you secure the use of the church or hall and give personal invitations to attend your meeting. Ask the minister to announce the meeting at the Sunday service and do not fail to make him and his wife feel welcome when they come. They, more than all others, can turn the hearts of the people to a favorable opinion of the new organization. Take a good worker with you and let them see in the beginning that you are familiar with our work.

Take a good supply of *Union Signals*, the *MESSAGE* and department leaflets with you for free distribution. If you cannot succeed with this method, then take your Union with you and also a good program and do your best to have it well carried out. Make the people see the development of your members.

I believe these plans may be made to bring about many new Unions the coming year; they have worked well in my own county. If there is a President that cannot give her time and energy to the complete organization of her county, then she should have a helper, or urge her women to elect to her place some one that can. When the new Union is a certainty and her forces put in motion, you will soon find that you have means and opportunity to call a Field worker to the place to strengthen the work already well begun as she may be passing by on her way to unorganized territory.

I sincerely believe, dear hearts, that a perfect consecration of ability, time and money, and a real love for humanity, are our greatest needs. We cannot be responsible for those things we do not possess, but we can do those duties that we know are ours.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## TEMPERANCE PHYSIOLOGY AT THE PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.

A study of the curriculum of the free public schools that are educating the children of a nation will enable a thoughtful student to arrive at a fairly just estimate of the standards of that people and of the future character and consequent future history of that nation.

Any forecast of the history of this nation would fail in a just estimate of the outcome of an important factor if it should leave out of its calculations the results seen to follow, what has justly been termed, "The American Educational Method for the Prevention of Intemperance;" in other words, the fact that 16,000,000 children of school age in this country are under temperance education laws. The enforcement of this law is the solemn duty of their sponsors, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, as well as that of every other good citizen. To that end it is of importance to the future of our country that its people, and especially its teachers and school boards, should realize that, except in Georgia, temperance physiology is not an optional matter, but is a study

engrafted by law on the public school system. It is a more mandatory branch even than "the three R's," because the laws demanding it are more specific, with, in many cases, penalties for failure in compliance with same. Therefore, it is self-evident that in any exhibit of the public school studies of the United States, temperance physiology should have an equal place and in the same connection with that assigned to other branches. Hence the wisdom of having an exhibit of temperance physiology side by side with displays of other public school studies at the Pan-American Exposition, has led to the installing of such an exhibit, which will be found there, in the Educational Department, in the building of Liberal Arts. The space it occupies is not one-twentieth of that its exhibit filled to repletion in the Columbian Exposition, at Chicago, in 1893, but all educational exhibits are cut down, for the whole space given to education for the whole United States, in the Pan-American, is less than that given in Chicago to the schools of two states, New York and Pennsylvania.

Over the wall space of this exhibit of Scientific Temperance, is a gilt eagle with wings spread under silken flags of the United States. The feet of the eagle rest on an inscription in gold letters on black which read, "One Factor in the Trade Supremacy of the United States—Scientific Temperance Education in its Public Schools." By way of explanation of the above inscription, we would remind the reader that for sixteen years our public schools have been teaching all pupils that alcohol injures working ability. In harmony with this instruction, total abstinence is now demanded by employers; thereby the output of labor is increased, which increases profits and helps to give our country leadership in the commerce of the world.

Under the above exhibit are pictures of the National and International Scientific Temperance Instruction headquarters, at 23 Trull street, Boston, Mass., with interior views of the study, the scientific temperance instruction museum, etc. There is wall space, for but two of the pens with which the scientific temperance instruction laws have been signed, the pen used by President Cleveland in signing the national law and that used by the Governor of Nova Scotia in signing the first compulsory temperance education law enacted by a parliament in the British Empire. In the door of the cabinet is a map of the United States, with only one state, Georgia, in black, because it has no temperance education law. Within, on the leaves of the cabinet, is the history of the progress and results of this study in our public schools, with samples of its literature. Underneath the cabinet, on the table, are a goodly array of the indorsed temperance physiology text-books for all grades of schools, published by nearly every school book publishing house in this land. If incorporating the total abstinence teaching of modern science into this large collection of school physiologies had been the only work accomplished for this cause during the last sixteen years in this country, that alone would be enough to make one's heart glad and thankful; but add to that the fact that the laws of almost the entire land require the study by the coming generations of the truths these books teach, and we get some idea of the forces at work wherever the temperance people are pushing enforcement, forces which are destined to make this an enlightened nation of total abstainers.

MARY H. HUNT.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

DEAR Y.'s—I know you will all want to hear about our dear Miss Parrish's wedding which I attended the 30th, at 8 o'clock, in the Christian church. It was indeed an international wedding. Miss Swankie Cameron, of England, was maid of honor, and the Japanese were represented by one of the bridesmaids being a Japanese Y. W. C. T. U. Two girls about sixteen years of age, with the little flower girl, a namesake of the bride, with the seven gentleman attendants and three ministers, formed the bridal party. With the water splashing, organ played softly, the foliage, festoons of flowers hanging everywhere, was a beautiful service to witness. Rev. Oliver Stewart, of Chicago, performed the ceremony, assisted by the local pastor and Mr. Emmett, of Shelbyville. The three flags were used to decorate the place where the bridal party received congratulations; the Japanese, the English and American flag; Mrs. Wright standing in front of our beloved flag. The bride was beautiful in white, carrying part of the crysanthemums Indiana sent. Miss Cameron in yellow, and the Japanese lady in her own costume, carrying pink roses. Elegant refreshments were served of coffee and cake and a little flag given every guest, tied with white ribbon. The groom wore a white ribbon bow on the lapel of his coat; no other decoration. I wish every Y. who intends to marry could have just such a companion, a pure life in exchange for a pure life, also that he could wear a white ribbon. It was estimated that seven hundred people were present.

Now who will be the first to send in the largest amount of dues for the first quarter, closing Dec. 15? Twenty-five cents apiece must also go to the Business Manager of the *MESSAGE* before you will be counted a member. Now girls, if the women are worth a dollar, we are too, and let us plan to get our dues ready. Put fifty cents in and have a contest, or some entertainment and earn the other fifty cents. Pray to the Father about it and you will get it all, by a little effort.

Will be in Terre Haute till Nov. 4, helping all I can and hoping to secure a Y. W. C. T. U.

County Presidents, remember you are to try this year and have some Y.'s in your county. Pray and work toward that end.

Lovingly,

CLARA M. SEARS.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Mrs. Jennie Ward, County Branch Secretary, organized an L. T. L. at Bright. She has also introduced the use of the Lesson Manuals and the *Young Crusader* into the Junior Epworth League, of Guilford.

LaOtto W. C. T. U. organized a Legion of seventeen members, ranging in ages from eight to twenty-six years.

Mrs. Della Hull, leader of Cayuga Legion, has moved to Morristown and Miss Mary Heibridger takes her place. Cayuga sent in the largest number of subscriptions for the *Young Crusader*—twenty-two—and won a copy of *Beautiful Life* of Miss Willard.

A Legion was organized in Huntington during the meeting of the County convention in that place. The County President and the County L. T. L. Branch Secretary, together planned for this and a place was given on the printed program to organize an L. T. L.

Mrs. Gertrude Morrow, of Indianapolis Central W. C. T. U., has organized an L. T. L. of fourteen members.

K. T. A. STRAW.

## GOOD-BYE.

As Corresponding Secretary retiring, I want to say good-bye. If in the last days of the year and the hurry of the Convention anyone should have had a communication to be answered and it was not, I take this space to answer it, and if any State Superintendent does not find her reports in the Minutes, she will remember the ruling of the Executive Committee last March and understand the report came too late. Seven years we have been comrades in this special service, and we will still be comrades in our war on rum. Good-bye as Secretary,

MARY E. BALCH.

## MRS. HELEN M. STODDARD

President of the Texas W. C. T. U. has been appointed by Governor Sayers of Texas a Commissioner to locate the State Industrial School for Girls, and her appointment has been confirmed by the Senate. This is the first time a woman has been honored in any such way in Texas. The Commission consists of twelve men and one woman. Texas women, led by Mrs. Stoddard, have worked hard to get this school. The first bill was introduced about ten years ago.

An enthusiastic party of Indiana White Ribboners and some of their good husbands will attend the National W. C. T. U. convention to be held at Fort Worth, Texas, November 15 to 20. One fare plus two dollars has been announced for the round trip.

The routes selected are the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis; the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern and Texas & Pacific from St. Louis to Fort Worth. The route passes through Little Rock, the capital of Arkansas; Malvern, which is located twenty-two miles east of Hot Springs; Texarkana, Marshall, Longview, Minneola and Dallas, Texas. The rate from Indianapolis to Fort Worth and return will be \$28.90.

The White Ribbon special coach, containing our Indiana delegates and friends, will leave Indianapolis on November 12, at 3:25 p. m., via Big Four. On the sides of the coach will be great white streamers upon which will be these words: "Indiana W. C. T. U. Enroute to Ft. Worth, Texas." Instead of taking the sleeper at Indianapolis we will use a regular coach provided for our exclusive use to St. Louis; at St. Louis we will find our sleeper waiting for us in the Union station. The expense for the sleeper through from St. Louis to Ft. Worth will be but \$2.00 for a double berth, which will accommodate two people.

An extension of time on return tickets, in order to visit relatives or friends in Texas enroute, will be granted. All friends of the W. C. T. U. are cordially invited to join the party.

Arrangements have been made for board at very reasonable rates at Ft. Worth for all visitors. Persons going from Indianapolis and vicinity will secure their tickets at the Big Four ticket office, corner Washington and Meridian streets.

A delightful trip to a splendid convention will be enjoyed by those going with us to the Sunny Southland.



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## FOR A CRUSADE AGAINST TOBACCO.

In South Bend, Mrs. Holler's Sunday School class of girls distributed Sabbath Observance literature with excellent results. The city was districted by Mrs. Holler; a certain number of squares were assigned to certain girls, who distributed one kind of a leaflet for a half hour after school in the evening each week until the entire city of South Bend had been covered. Two girls went together to every house, where they rang the bell and presented the leaflet to those who answered, telling them that the W. C. T. U. sent it to them.

Again and again was this kind of work done, until several different kinds of leaflets on the same subject were put into every home in that city. As one result Sunday baseball playing was stopped and the Sunday laws were much better enforced. Fewer people went to the postoffice for mail on Sunday.

This same plan of distributing leaflets can be effectually carried out in any town. The children are always ready to help. Try this plan with the copies of the tobacco and anti-cigarette laws and with leaflets—one at a time. Begin a crusade before December 1 against the use of tobacco by the youth.

Many helpers will come to you after your work has begun to prove you to be good planners. Let the distribution of leaflets be quietly done; keep it out of newspapers, etc. If it is discussed, let others do it, but keep right on sowing the information.

After the distribution of the copies of the laws and a leaflet into every home, have a Mothers' and Teachers' meeting on a Saturday, addressed by the minister, physician or teacher, on the subject of the cigarette. After this address, and the explanation of the plan of organization, it will, in nearly every town, be easy to form Anti-Cigarette Leagues in the schools, if the Superintendent of schools has become interested. Let this work be begun before December 1. In every Union there are individuals who can and will gladly send by an early mail for literature, and who will systematically go to work to have this subject thoroughly agitated. The result will be definite organization and a work which will count in the better character of the boys and girls. A harvest will always follow a plentiful sowing. Begin now to sow the literature systematically and you will soon need to plan for the gathering. Great results will be yours through Anti-Cigarette Leagues and a strict enforcement of the laws we have.

For copies of the tobacco law and anti-cigarette law, send to Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.

For literature and supplies for Anti-Cigarette Leagues, read the following:

### ANTI-CIGARETTE LEAGUES.

Document No. 1—"How to Organize and What to Do," sent free on application.

Document No. 3—"Tobacco; Cigarettes; Why they are specially injurious." A symposium of medical opinion and a personal letter to young men and boys by Winfield S. Hall, M. D., professor of physiology in the Northwestern University Medical School, Fellow of the American Academy of Medicine, Member of the American Physiological Society, author of a text-book of physiology for medical students and physicians. Each, 20 cents.

Document No. 5—"Chauncey M. Depew and the Cigar." The story as told by himself. Twenty for 10 cents.

Document No. 8—"The Cigarette Mightier than the Saloon." Twenty for 10 cents; 25 cents per 100; \$2.00 per 1,000.

Pledge cards—Perforated, containing voucher for parents; new and unique. 50 cents per 100.

Badges—White metal, each, 10 cents; coin silver, each 25 cents; solid gold, each, 50 cents; no-cigarette buttons, per dozen, 24 cents.

"The Boy."—Published monthly, by the National Anti-Cigarette League, in the interests of the boys of America. Single subscription, 50 cents; clubs of four

or more to separate addresses, 25 cents; clubs of 30 or more to one address, 10 cents. Address, National Anti-Cigarette League, 1118-1119 The Temple, 184 LaSalle street, Chicago, Ill.

## GREETINGS.

DEAR WHITE RIBBON SISTERS—When the chairman announced that I was elected Corresponding Secretary to succeed Mrs. Mary Balch, who has served so long and efficiently in that office, I was overwhelmed with the weight of the responsibility you had placed upon me. But I remembered that there is One who has promised to give wisdom and strength, and I determined, in my heart, to rely more fully upon Him and to give you the very best effort I have to give.

The office furniture, supplies and records have been delivered to me, and my room has suddenly assumed a very office like appearance. On the desk is my typewriter, and here your communications will be read, thought about, prayed over and answered. Already as the letters have come pouring in and I have caught glimpses of the loyal, earnest spirit of the women who have gone to work in their county or local, with that determination which brings things to pass, my own courage and zeal have been increased, and I believe a year of victories is before us. No day is barren of opportunities, but only earnest effort will turn them into victories.

As my heart has been cheered by the good things in the letters, I have thought, "I wish all the women could know about this," and so I have decided that if there is available space in the MESSAGE, each month I will give you "Notes from the Secretary's Mail." If you work out a plan successfully, let me know about it, that we may pass it on and so help some one else. My most earnest desire is, that we shall work together this year as one great, loving family, each one interested in and trying to help the work of others.

And now in closing I want to say, the Minutes are out. Get a copy at once and study the reports for last year and the Plan of Work for this year. The first quarter is nearly half gone, and what will you have to report of work accomplished? I wish our motto for work might be, "I will not put off until next quarter anything that can be done during this quarter."

Yours in His service,

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY'S MAIL.

Parke County—Mrs. Ada L. Squire sends in the first report of a new Union. This Union was organized at Bridgeton. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Edith A. Kerr; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. B. Nelson; Treasurer, Miss Effie Smith. This new Union has had two meetings and laid plans for future work. The President writes: "We have taken charge of Temperance Sunday in both the Sabbath Schools and have started the medal work. We feel that our Union has come to stay."

Cass County—Lucerne Union has reorganized. The Secretary writes: "We want to make our meetings as attractive as possible." That is an element of success and a good foundation upon which to build up a strong Union whose influence will count for much. They are hoping to have a public meeting soon, with Mrs. McWhirter as speaker.

Lake County—Miss Alice Ruth Palmer is in the field for organization and reports a new Union at Hobart. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. May Patterson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. Davis; Treasurer, Mrs. Dorman Smith. Miss Palmer is to spend a month in the field before going to Illinois for a short time and we wish her unbounded success.

Elkhart County—The energetic President of this County writes: "Women in three of our Local Unions have resolved to say, 'we can,' whenever called upon to take up a piece of W. C. T. U. work and they have set their figure for one hundred new members this year. If all the Unions would adopt this motto and plan we would soon have the liquor men saying, 'we can't.'"

Vermillion County—The newly elected officers of the Cayuga Union are as follows: President, Mrs. Ella Canaday; Vice-President, Sallie Roach; Recording Secretary, Kate Hosford; Corresponding Secretary, Mary Heidebreder; Treasurer, Ellen Grondyke. The President, Mrs. Ella Canaday, has been a loyal White Ribboner for years and will prove an efficient leader.

Washington County—Campbellsburg, one of the banner Unions in the State, has furnished us a worker for the Hadley Industrial School. Miss Addie Smith is Solicitor for the sixth district. Miss Smith is an energetic young woman of Christian character and devoted to the cause of temperance and the W. C. T. U.

Wayne County—This county has also given us a valuable worker in the person of our much loved Superintendent of Evangelistic work, Mrs. E. M. Haughton. Mrs. Haughton will solicit in the fourth district.

Whitley County Convention was held at Churubusco. Following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Clara A. Remington, South Whitley; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mina Squires, Churubusco; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Green, Columbia City; Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Wolfe, South Whitley.

## INDIANA'S PLAN OF WORK.

As presented to the Kokomo convention and adopted. If the Unions will read it in their first meeting and discuss it—and determine to work it—the State will build up, in the truest sense of the word, County Normal Institutes, as per State Superintendent's plan.

### SIX PAPERS OF NOTE.

No. 1. "Why Marion County Should Lead." Chairman, Mrs. Frances Metz, 632 Division street, Indianapolis.

No. 2. "Incidents in Answer to Prayer." Chairman, Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.

No. 3. "Where is the Strength of an Organization?" Chairman, Mrs. Mary E. Gorrell, LaOtto.

No. 4. "A Recitation in Prose for the Medal Department." Chairman, Mrs. Retta Jones, 711 South Harrison street, Alexandria.

No. 5. "A Recitation for the Medal Department—Poetry." Chairman, Mrs. Maria Fink, Valparaiso.

No. 6. "A Temperance Story—1,500 words." Chairman, Miss Eliza Baker, 107 Russel street, West LaFayette.

These papers not to be over ten minutes long, to be written by any White Ribboner, and to be in the hands of the chairman by August 15, sending stamps for return postage. The chairman will select two others and judge on the merits of the papers received, notifying the Corresponding Secretary of the number of papers prepared, and sending subject, name and address of the writer of the paper considered best, by August 25. These papers to have a place on the program.

### BENEFIT NIGHT.

Counties having made a gain of 100 members over last year's record shall have a place on Benefit Night and share in the collection.

### STATE BANNER.

The Union making the greatest gain shall have the custody of the State Banner for the year.

### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

The Union having made the greatest gain in honorary membership shall be presented with Miss Willard's Glimpses of Fifty Years, at the annual convention.

### INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP IN LOCAL UNIONS.

Any Union sending in dues for an increase of ten members, in any one quarter of the year, shall have an address by any State Officer, or one day's service by any State Organizer enroute. The Treasurer's report in the Minutes your basis of calculation. You pay for twenty members in 1901. The first quarter of the new year you gain five new members; one dies and one moves away, and one who should have paid does not. Now, at the end of the first quarter you have twenty-two members only. The second quarter you gain ten new members, but one drops out and you have thirty-one members only, and to demand the premium you should have had thirty-two. The third quarter you gain ten; no one dies and no one moves away, or is transferred or drops out and now you have forty-one members and may claim the premium. And then in the fourth quarter you make a clear gain of ten—that is, have the Treasurer's books show that your Union has paid dues for fifty-one members in the year—because forty-one and ten gained make fifty-one—you can claim a second premium. And you can have the premiums each quarter if you make the actual gain of ten members, over all losses. A careful study of this illustration will make it plain for every Union.

### COUNTY ORGANIZATION.

Any county having organized three new Unions, with or without the aid of a State Organizer, shall have a speaker furnished them for their county convention in the fall, free. Any county organizing two new Unions, with or without the aid of an organizer, shall have a speaker furnished for their fall convention by paying the traveling expenses only.

### PROGRAMS.

Local Unions shall prepare a program for the year's meetings, typewritten or in print, two copies of which to be sent to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland ave., Indianapolis. A committee of three will be appointed in the Antelope Executive to decide on the first, second and third best, to whom premiums shall be given. Premiums will be placed on a table, where delegates may examine them.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Distribute literature at all public meetings. Take collections at all public meetings, and the Union reporting the largest amount as the sum of the year's collections shall receive a copy of the "Encyclopedia of the Temperance Reform."

### TO THE MEMBERSHIP.

All members of a local Union who will answer at least seventy-five per cent of the questions on the MESSAGE, the Annual Minutes, Union Signal and the Annual Leaflet, shall have their names enrolled in our Annual Minutes. Examination papers to be sent to the State Recording Secretary, who will prepare the list and report the same to the convention and publish them in the Minutes. List of questions to be published in the MESSAGE, in January, and prepared by the president.



## W. T. P. A. AGENT.

To the Unions reporting the first, second and third largest amount of money expended for literature through their W. T. P. A. Agent shall receive first, second and third premium in money to be expended in subscriptions to the *Union Signal*.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

To provide for running expenses the solicitors shall be continued and Unions will respect by-law entitled Duties of Unions—Contingent Fund. Section 7 of Article VIII:

"Unions will hold an L. T. L. contest during the months of October, November or December, taking from the ten cent fee at the door the price of the tickets and medals; the balance shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Board. The Union sending in first report of contest with money, and the first Union sending in an amount equal to \$10.00, and the Union sending in the largest amount, will each receive a premium. The Unions which hold this contest will not be called on during this year for further service financially for the school. Let no Union fail to carry out this by-law."

## ORGANIZATION FUND.

Unions willing to help raise this foundation fund shall hold a silver suffrage contest with members of the Union, regular and honorary, sending the net proceeds to the State Treasurer, which fund shall be used in unorganized counties, at the discretion of the Central Committee, under the direction of the Chairman of Organization. These contests should come as early in the year's work as possible.

## PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

County Presidents, Mrs. Emma Saylor, Mrs. Lida Outland, Mrs. Sadie Eves; State Superintendents, Mrs. Ada B. Leek, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Mrs. J. R. Wood; Organization, Mrs. Mary E. Balch.

## SOME THINGS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH EQUALITY IN CITIZENSHIP.

Women have full suffrage in Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho, including a vote for presidential electors. No body claims perfection in politics even in these four states, but improvement and progression is manifest. It is a fact that in these four states, woman receive equal pay for equal work. There isn't a poor house in the state of Wyoming; there is no need of one. Illiteracy is several degrees lower in Wyoming than in other states. There are fewer divorces. Women have voted there over thirty years. The school laws are fine and there is no need of "truant officers."

Since 1893, when the ballot was bestowed upon women in Colorado, laws have been passed making women equal owners with their husbands of their children. The age of consent has been raised to 18 years. A state home for dependent children has been established. A state industrial school for girls has been provided. The indeterminate sentence has been adopted. Emblems have been removed from the ballot. A bill was passed in the last legislature establishing parental schools; another for the care of the feeble minded. Humane society bills; a measure giving the board of charities and corrections power to investigate private eleemosynary institutions; another for the preservation of forest trees. A bill which requires insurance companies that have to be sued to recover, to stand the cost of such suit. Among the other results of equal suffrage in Colorado, is a far better enforcement of existing laws, such as requiring merchants to furnish seats for clerks, prohibiting the employment of children under 16; regulating the sale of liquor and tobacco to miners.

In 1898 the Associated press stated that a bar had been put in the City Hall of Chicago to facilitate business and make it possible, in the party campaign, to keep a quorum of the city council on hand. Contrast—In 1899, the order of the chairman of the Democratic party, that no caucus should be held in any place connected with a saloon, because of the political influence of women. M. A. TOMPKINS.

## FLOWER MISSION WORK.

The aim of this department is, through these pure and beautiful evangelists, to lead burdened souls to Christ. Our work is to cheer and comfort all who may need a friend. The first place of worship in this world was a garden, but Adams' knowledge of the culture of flowers must have been limited. These blossoms were apparently of no particular use, as there was only one man to see them, but they gladdened his heart and delighted his eyes, and therein the flowers fulfilled their first mission. In watching their growth he must have realized that they received care from an invisible hand. And as the creation of flowers went on in that first garden, each flower brought with it a distinct lesson, as it does to-day, to the millions all over the earth, carrying messages to human hearts. Sunshine and shadow are needed for the perfection of the flowers; so success and failure, happiness and misfortune are necessary for the highest development of human beings. The elements which will bring one flower to perfection will hinder another. I heard a lady say that she once had a Japanese lily that she kept in a sunny room artificially heated. The lily grew rapidly, sending forth a growth of leaves, but never a flower appeared. All the beauty and fragrance were hindered by too much luxury. It is not always

luxuriant surroundings that are best to bring out the strongest elements of character, and character is to mortals what fragrance is to flowers. Nothing in the world teaches more than the flowers, if we only understand their messages. No one can love them without being made better thereby. By their cultivation we learn different natures must have different treatment. While the most gorgeous flowers appeal to admiration, we love the small, fragrant ones best. Flowers are expressive, where words are powerless. They are the daintiest bits of God's handiwork. How many stop to think how much happiness they could give to others by simply leaving a few flowers with the sick or destitute? They may be the means of accomplishing untold good. Those who know of your efforts may be influenced to help in the work, until it becomes a habit that will extend in all directions. Flowers should be taken to hospitals and jails; they will speak comforting words in lonely hours. We have only to look about us, no matter how narrowed our sphere, and we will be surprised at the opportunities springing upon every hand, and if flowers are not easily obtained, other things are included in our work. Visiting the sick, taking some delicacy, reading something cheerful to them, distributing literature, or clothing, in any way that we can do good, thus living up to the command, "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." MABEL R. JEFFRIES, State Superintendent.

## LETTER TO STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

DEAR SISTERS—Whenever a new Union is organized, the Corresponding Secretary sends to them a package of supplies. The package contains a copy of the State Minutes, record books for the local Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and any other available and helpful material. If I could have a small package of leaflets from each State Superintendent, I would be so delighted to place in these packages a leaflet for each department of work. This would be very helpful to the new Union and would open the way for your departments. Kindly send the leaflet which most clearly explains the object and methods of your department. MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND, Corresponding Secretary.

## UNFERMENTED COMMUNION WINE.

Let the reports be full this year and gladden the hearts of all interested in this department. Early in the year I sent out leaflets by our National Superintendent, Mrs. H. E. Hammond, to County and local Superintendents, so far as I could get the names of those appointed. Blanks were also sent for reports. I hope every one, whether they are Superintendents of this department or not, if they know of any work or the need of any, will report it, that we may know the condition of the State.

Indiana should have a full report this year. Remember, all reports must be printed and in the hands of the State Secretary five days before the State Convention. Please be prompt in sending in report. JULIET R. WOOD.

## SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

This year Summer Assemblies were made a special department, which claims the thought and support of all White Ribboners. Think which one of the several Summer Assemblies you can and will attend. Speak to your friends about the W. C. T. U. program and effort at those places. Write for particulars and remember we can get up the enthusiasm in others after it is within our own hearts and not until then. We plan and work for one hundred per cent increase in results this coming year. Will you help? MARY E. BALCH, State Superintendent.

## PREMIUMS FOR NEXT YEAR'S WORK.

Time limit, October 15, 1901, to October 1, 1902. Premiums to the individual worker: First, second and third, for certificates returned, one for each medal ordered out and filled the neatest and completest.

First, second and third, for first, second and third largest amounts from door receipts from one contest. For the largest amount of door receipts, taking the sum of all the certificates sent in by one person. Collections will not count in.

For the greatest number of contests held by any one person.

For the person who shows, by the certificates sent in, the greatest number of male contestants.

For the person sending in the greatest number of subscriptions to the *Contest Journal*.

[NOTE—If the person holding the contest fails to sign himself or herself as chairman, the certificate will not count in awarding premiums.]

MARY E. BALCH, State Superintendent and National Associate.

I call the attention of the Unions and the friends of the cause to the above premiums. I shall be very much encouraged if many write me—I intend to work for premiums. One worker from Amboy has thus notified me of her intentions. One thousand contests in Indiana this year—I shall work to this end. If you wish a diamond or grand gold contest in your county or town, write me and we shall see if it cannot be arranged. I can give you my presence and time on terms that any can accept. SUPERINTENDENT.

## ORGANIZATION.

Will County Presidents in organized counties remember that I can assist them in the further organization of their counties if they will write me? And if any one in an unorganized county will correspond with me, we may be able to find a way to fully organize the county. More organization is necessary, and please do not put off, until after Thanksgiving, or Christmas, or until I make that visit, etc., what should be done to-day. We must build this year, for soon the usual political turmoil will engross the minds of the people and then we can only stand and see the triumph of the rum forces helped into power by Christian drilled voters. MARY E. BALCH, State Superintendent Organization.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Do you ever give room in your dear little paper for the W. C. T. U.'s children? It is chuck full of good things all the time, but as we are only coming once a year, maybe you will let us in for just a little while; we want to help encourage others to work in the L. T. L. Branch. We began this year to keep all the Red Letter days; our first was December 18—Peace Day—kept by organizing a peace society with fifteen members. Crusade Day we started our Hazing Protest, and now have nearly 200 signatures. We have planned to take it through all the schools within our reach.

January 3 we had a literary program and a history of Madam Willard's life. February 17 we had memorial reading. March 20 we had sketches of the lives of Neal Dow and Frances Willard and original talks. Sabbath day was kept by soliciting a larger attendance, and in circulating temperance pledge cards; fifty-eight were signed and returned to the State Superintendent of that department. Temperance Sunday was kept in all three of our churches here, and by the Legion in the afternoon, and by the Legion singing a temperance song for the C. E. in the evening. We kept Decoration Day by going one day ahead of the National, visiting five cemeteries and remembering "fallen friends" of temperance by placing flowers, tied with white ribbons, on each grave; each bouquet had a card attached with a message like this, "Always kind to the L. T. L.," or "He helped us all he could," etc. June 9 (glorious month of roses) we had special exercises, prepared a week before. We were given a wilderness of flowers that were arranged and sent out into many homes. We had a picture and a history of Jennie Cassady; also a talk on Missions; not forgetting the little school teacher who bravely worked alone, and the paper that willingly published good deeds and thus awakened the echo in Jennie's heart that carried on such a grand mission everywhere. We also visited five cemeteries with flowers for our friends, with L. T. L. cards (Flower Mission) attached, and tied with white ribbons. Bouquets were taken (with same card) to three different Sunday schools, four church services, one C. E. meeting and one Union meeting. July 21 was spent in soliciting any and everything needful for a family left destitute by fire, and a buggy load of stuff was taken to them in the name of Miss Anna Gordon. We purchased material and made a heavy comfort and gave to an aged widow near us. This we gave in the name of Mrs. Helen G. Rice. We have distributed a great deal of selected literature this year; eight pounds went, with a visit, to White's Institute; six pounds, in same way, to Orphans' Home, and twenty pounds to poor farm; also forty pounds to one Legion. The *MESSAGE*, *Union Signal*, *Crusader*, *Phalanx*, etc., were papers taken. We have made one hundred and fifty visits to the sick with food and flowers; five memorial designs have been given with L. T. L. messages attached. In one case the message was noticed and given especial mention in the funeral sermon, and a strong point made by the minister for the W. C. T. U. Three socials were held—two were box socials for the intermediate class (clearing \$9.41) and one for the primary grade; this we held by taking the children to the white clover fields and making wreaths for the girls to wear home, and bouquets for the boys. At one of the box socials we gave a reward (Ten Nights in a Bar Room) to the person telling nearest the number of times intemperance is spoken against in the Bible. At the other we gave the reward to the person who repeated the greatest number of Bible verses against intemperance. Two dozen seals have been sent for and more will be ordered before the year ends. We visited the only other Legion in the county, gave a short program and offered to help them pay their yearly dues. We read the *Union Signal*, *MESSAGE* and *Crusader*; have paid our graduate dues (\$4.75), also our yearly membership (\$2.40); are out of debt and have over \$2.00 in our treasury. We are sending two blocks for our L. T. L. autograph quilt; one block contains twenty-one names and the other will probably exceed that. We have one more Red Letter day, and have already spoken to speakers for a Harvest Home on September 28. M. A. HOLLOWAY, Leader.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore was present at the annual convention of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U., held this week in Lynn, and was enthusiastically received. The reports show a gain in membership of 578 over last year. Fifteen new unions have been formed, and 151 of the old ones have increased their membership.



## WHAT IS THE W. C. T. U.?

What is the W. C. T. U.  
We hear people say,  
And what does she do?

To answer this question  
Will take some time,  
For she is doing  
A work sublime.

She was born in a struggle  
Of right against wrong;  
Her weapons of warfare—  
Were faith, prayer and song.

God led forth the army  
Of women so brave,  
With hearts that were bleeding,  
Their loved ones to save.

The hard-hearted rum-seller,  
She met in the street;  
With tears and entreaties,  
She bowed at his feet.

She plead for her darling—  
Her beautiful boy;  
The pride of her heart,  
The source of her joy.

Perhaps her dependence;  
A widow, alone.  
Ah! Who but a rum-seller's  
Heart of stone.

Could resist her pleading  
And turn deaf ears  
To the widow's prayers  
And the orphan's tears?

But alas! alas! She  
Was spurned from his door,  
With oaths and curses,  
To enter no more.

Then she turned to the laws  
He was breaking each day,  
And for its protection  
Continued to pray.

But she found it was bribed  
With this terrible curse—  
The rum-seller's power,  
A well-filled purse.

Still further she went;  
Alas, but to find  
A nation with rum power's  
Traffic combined—

A nation that licenses  
Sin to destroy  
And tear from her bosom  
Her innocent boy.

So she banded together  
The hearts pure and true;  
The White Ribbon army,  
The W. C. T. U.

She now girdles the world  
With her ribbon of white.  
She is pledged against evil,  
To fight for the right.

Her plans are laid deep.  
With infinite skill:  
She is working each day,  
Some task to fulfill.

The widow and orphan  
Are sought by her care,  
The victims of drink  
In homes of despair.

The drunkard himself  
Finds in her a friend,  
Who has ever a helping  
Hand to extend.

The young man, entering  
Haunts of vice,  
Is often saved  
By her kindly advice.

The woman, too,  
Who has gone astray,  
With the blighting curse  
That is licensed to-day,

Is rescued and saved  
By her loving hands,  
In homes of her many  
Sided plans.

But time would fail me  
To tell of all  
She has done to rescue  
Those who fall.

And to teach the children  
In ways of truth;  
To guide the uncertain  
Steps of youth;

To plead with those  
Who make our laws  
And enlist the pure  
In our righteous cause.

For God and Home,  
And Native Land,  
In bonds of love  
United we stand.

—Mrs. J. E. Skinner.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Floyd County Convention** was held at the Y. M. C. A., September 13. After the devotional exercises, Mrs. Jones opened the business session. Minutes of the previous county convention were read, also the minutes of the County Executive Committee. The constitution was read and adopted. An instructive and interesting address was given by the County President. The morning session closed. Lunch was served and a social time enjoyed by all. The afternoon session opened with song and prayer. The minutes of the morning session were read and accepted. Miss Mary Pritchard read a paper on "Unconscious Influence." The Secretary read a letter from the State Treasurer. The Department reports were favorably received. The L. T. L., of Beulah Union then marched in with banners, flags and drums and rendered an interesting program. This was followed by the election of officers—County President, Mrs. Jones; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Davis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lobach; Treasurer, Miss Murphy; Y. Secretary, Miss Rilling; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Brace. Mrs. Harris then conducted a parliamentary drill and the convention closed, all feeling that the day had been pleasantly and profitably spent.

**Franklin County** heard from. Mrs. Elizabeth T. Stanley and Margaret Smith organized a very promising Loyal Temperance Legion at Mt. Carmel, Saturday afternoon, October 19. At night Mrs. Stanley lectured in the M. E. Church; subject, "The Jericho Road." Sunday afternoon she lectured in the M. E. Church, at Bath. Large and attentive audiences greeted her in both places. The Demorest L. T. L. medal contest class will give their first contest for this year, November 9, in the evening. One more silver and we are ready for the gold.

MARGARET SMITH.

**Mrs. Mary G. Webb**, President of Putnam county, in company with several others, visited the grocery stores and tobacco stores of Greencastle. In conversation with the proprietors the tobacco and anti-cigarette laws were discussed. Copies of the laws were left with each. Miss Miller, one of the public school teachers, accompanied the ladies. The Greencastle editors are very kind to the W. C. T. U. and it is hoped that tobacco law enforcement will be considered beneficial by the authorities.

**Daviess County Convention** was held September 26, at the First M. E. Church, in Washington. Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute, was with us and cheered us with her sweet smiles and loving words. Mrs. Pearce had organized two new Unions in the county shortly before the convention—one at Elnora and one at Montgomery. The following county officers were elected: President, Mrs. Alice Beaver, of Elnora; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Croucher, of Elnora; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lillie Shields, of Washington; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Goshorn, of Washington. The three Unions now in the county are conveniently connected by rail and we hope to keep our county well organized and alive to the well organized work of the State. We will hereafter endeavor to hold semi-annual conventions. The Washington Local Union has recently elected the following

officers: President, Mrs. Dr. McGauhy; Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Goshorn; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mina Ageton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Laura Jackson; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Ellis. The departments, with the Superintendents, are as follows: Literature, Mrs. Fannie Wright; Social Purity, Mrs. Laura Jackson; Press, Mrs. Lillie Shields; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Davis; Flower Mission, Mrs. Ed. Smith; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Emma Ellis; Medal Contest, Mrs. Lillie Shields. Excellent work has been done the past year by our loved Flower Mission Superintendent, Mrs. Smith. The report of our worthy Treasurer, at the close of the year, showed that we had almost doubled our paid membership the past year. Two new departments are under consideration—the L. T. L. and Y. work. The only hindrance in each seems to be in getting leaders. Our new Methodist pastor of First M. E. Church, Brother Samuel Reid and his excellent wife, are fully in sympathy with the work. The newly elected President, Mrs. McGauhy, is very enthusiastic and is already beginning to push the work. A medal contest is being arranged for the middle of November. Moral questions in our city are being much agitated and an effort is being made by the citizens for a purer city government, which is very encouraging to W. C. T. U. workers.

MRS. LILLIE SHIELDS,  
Press Superintendent.

**Westfield Union** has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Anna F. Pinkham; Vice-President, Mrs. Melissa Emry; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dollie Stalker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary A. Cox; Treasurer, Mrs. Maggie E. Cox. Our delegate to the State Convention, Mrs. Cox, gave us an excellent report. We start with twenty Superintendents, so expect to accomplish much for God and home and native land the coming year. Our Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Goldena Day, is accomplishing much by holding a meeting once a month.

**The Canteen**, by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, is a summary of facts which ought to be in the hands of every temperance man and woman. Price 5 cents; ten copies 40 cents. Published by the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, LaSalle and Monroe Streets, Chicago, Ill.

**The New South Wales** legislative assembly has passed to its third reading a bill granting full parliamentary suffrage to women.

**Mrs. Ellis Meredith** says: "It is amusing to hear how women have 'rushed into politics.' On the contrary, women have obeyed that excellent old rule about trouble, and have rarely troubled politics until politics troubled them. Take, for instance, a case which occurred in Colorado about ten years ago. A young couple came here, the man being far gone with consumption. His wife had married him for the purpose of bringing him to this climate, and if possible, nursing him back to life; but they came too late. She was not even acquainted with his people; nevertheless that kind and loving husband willed the child that was not born until after his death, to his parents, and they came here and took it away from her. The law allowed it; and the court allowed it; and straightway that woman, and all the women who knew her unhappy story, became raging suffragists and they never rested until they had the ballot. The first law passed thereafter gave the mother equal ownership in her children."—*Ex.*

**Woman's Column** says: "A dispatch from Christiania, Norway, says: 'The privilege recently granted women to vote for, and sit in, municipal councils in Norway, is adding unusual interest to the approaching elections. The woman's battle-cry is: 'Away with politicians; only men and women who further social reform to the front!' Conservatives and Liberals are trying to induce the women to vote for their candidates, but even in the smallest towns the women insist upon their right to pick the best men of both parties and to support the women candidates. The men are greatly disturbed, and do not know how to vote.'"

**The officers** and Superintendents of LaPorte Union are as follows: President, Mrs. Sarah Peters; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary Baumgartner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Seth Pease; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joseph Vail; Treasurer, Miss Mary Holland; Evangelistic, Mary Baumgartner; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Rachel Bowers; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Melinda Ridgeway; Flower Mission, Mrs. Martha Talmage; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Carrie Shanley; Hadley School, Mrs. Joseph Vail; Purity, Mrs. Seth Pease; Jail and Prison, Mrs. James Parkell; Medal Contests, Mrs. William Fargher; The Press, Miss Roxy Coplin; Temperance Literature, Miss Mary Holland; Anti-Narcotics, Rev. J. N. Harmon. These are all we have taken so far.

## LETTER TO CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

DEAR SECRETARIES—It is of the greatest importance that I have a complete record of the officers of every County and Local Union in the State. You have recently elected new officers, but many of you have not yet sent in a list of them and our record at the present time is very imperfect. Next month the report blanks must be sent out and many errors will necessarily occur if the list is not revised. If you are a Secretary, dear reader, will you not at once send me a list of your officers? I will appreciate your promptness.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## ST. JOSEPH COUNTY.

The Executive Committee appointed the following Superintendents: Flower Mission, Mrs. Mary Bugbee, 301 South Main street; Sunday School Work, Mrs. Mariah Gorsuch, 709 West Washington street; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Laura Axtell, 869 West Water street; Medal Contests, Mrs. — Berry, 110 South St. Louis street; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Cora Sarle, 319 West Navarre street; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Eva A. Stover, 330 West Navarre street; The Press, Mrs. Freehafer, South Franklin street; Narcotics, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, 720 East Washington street; Purity, Mrs. George Hodson, 823 Park avenue; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Ellen Baxter, 613 East South street; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Miss Ina Burton, 118 South Emerick street; Evangelistic, Mrs. Christ Fassnacht, 1 Park avenue; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Zach. Johnson, 208 South Michigan street; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Daisy Shoutz, 1201 West Washington street; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Nina High, 235 South St. Frances street; Department of Mercy, Miss Myrtle Huey, Rural Delivery; Y. Secretary, Miss Cora Wert, 869 West Water street; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Mabel Jeffries, corner Oak and Cushing streets, all of South Bend.

SUPERINTENDENTS EAST SIDE W. C. T. U.  
SOUTH BEND.

Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. E. P. Thomas, 811 East Washington street; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, 720 East Washington street; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. I. M. Houser, 718 East Colfax avenue; Literature, Mrs. W. A. Barr, 116 South St. Peter street; Flower Mission, Mrs. E. P. Thomas, 811 East Washington street.

SUPERINTENDENTS WILLARD MEMORIAL Y. W. C. T. U.  
SOUTH BEND.

Literature, Miss Minnie Butts, 620 North Scott street; Sabbath Observance, Miss Mary Treiber, 203 West South street; Parliamentary Usage, Mr. Will Wright, Leland avenue; Press, Mrs. Freehafer, South Franklin street; Flower Mission, Miss Mabel Jeffries, corner Oak and Cushing streets; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Laura Axtell, 869 West Water street; Christian Citizenship, Mr. Lowther, 721 East Cedar street; Purity, Miss Agnes Butts, 620 North Scott street; Narcotics, Miss Cora Case, 202 West Wayne street; Evangelistic, Miss Myrtle Huey, Rural Delivery; Scientific Temperance, Miss Adah Hess, 120 South Emerick street; L. T. L. Secretary, Miss Myrtle Huey, Rural Delivery.

SUPERINTENDENTS CENTRAL UNION OF SOUTH BEND.

Jail and Prison, Mrs. Zach. Johnson, 208 South Michigan street; Flower Mission, Mrs. Sadie Scott, 517 West Wayne street; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. L. Hunt, 310 South Main street; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. A. W. Lee, corner Taylor and Jefferson streets; Franchise, Mrs. Adelia Miller, South Bend; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. May Paxson, 419 South Taylor street; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, 548 North Scott street; Purity and Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Ellen Baxter, 613 East South street; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Mary Bugbee, 301 South Main street; Press, Mrs. Ellen Baxter, 613 East South street.

## L. T. L. ORATORIAL CONTESTS HELD LAST YEAR

Bartholomew Co., 3 Silver	Morgan..... Co., 1 Silver
DuBois..... " 3 "	Monroe..... " 1 "
Clinton..... " 1 "	Marshall..... " 3 "
Benton..... " 1 "	Miami..... " 1 "
Grant..... " 6 "	Parke..... " 2 "
Carroll..... " 1 "	Randolph..... " 1 "
Howard..... " 3 "	St. Joseph..... " 2 "
Hendricks..... " 2 "	Steuben..... " 4 "
Knox..... " 2 "	Vigo..... " 6 "
Marion..... " 5 Silver	Whitley..... " 3 "

Total L. T. L. Silver Medal contests, 51; small gold medals, 2.

## YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR.

The law of life is the same as the universal laws of nature. All gain comes by strife and sacrifice. Where there is no giving there is no getting. A man must pay for the pure air he breathes and clear water he drinks. It is with a price he purchases any pleasure. He that would have the truth must buy it. Despite all that is said in story and song, neither air nor sunshine is free. They are abundant, but never gratuitous. By risk of colds, disease or pain, you pay for all you get from Mother Nature. He that would reap must sow the seed. The harvest will be in exact proportion to the quality and quantity of the seed and soil. Pay the price and you can have health and wealth, happiness and honors, just as readily and surely as any others ever obtained them. Natural laws know no favorites. Do as others have done and you will find riches, honors and length of days. Do not envy the millionaires, for if you work as they have done you will become one of them. Neither Vanderbilt nor Rothschild have a monopoly on the collection of wealth. There is an unlimited demand for producers and promoters. The young man or woman who desires a business education can obtain it precisely as Bede, Erasmus, and our great modern scholars acquired their education. Diligence, zeal and sacrifice will inevitably win it. All that is required of any one is the same effort. In any sphere of life you can get all you pay for.—*Busy World.*



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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Sow an act and you reap a habit.  
Sow a habit and you reap a character.  
Sow a character and you reap a destiny.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

My patience as well as my strength has been taxed the past few weeks. It was a great disappointment to me not to be able to attend our National Convention at Ft. Worth, Texas. I need the education and spiritual uplift I had only in prospect for so many days. But the thoughtful kindness of friends has helped me bear my trial bravely by sending me the Ft. Worth *Mail-Telegram*, which contains the best report of our convention work I remember of ever reading in a daily paper. Also, the beautiful programme, the President's address—so pure in sentiment, so far reaching in thought; and I should not forget the beautiful white badge for the delegate, with the "Lone Star" at the top of the ribbon. But all these souvenirs make me more anxious to hear the report given by Mrs. Shugart, our delegate. I hope our method of reporting will be so well carried out that every White Ribboner will hear the echo of this great meeting by their respective representative. But if local Presidents and Secretaries have all been prompt in making arrangements for them you will all have heard the good tidings before this little message reaches you. We are so rapidly nearing the close of our first quarter's work that only a short time remains in which to do all that should be done in the first three months of this year. "A work well begun is half done," is a good maxim for W. C. T. U. as well as others. If the L. T. L. contests have been held (or will be, as well as the Suffrage contests by the older members), and the help we hope to receive from the door fee turned over to the Treasurer, not only will the Hadley School rejoice, but our Field workers will commence a campaign for good government for the Home and State and Nation also. If we do not give those plans laid down by our committee and approved by the convention a thorough trial now, we may not be able to act upon them in the future. As my usually good health is coming slowly back to me, I hope soon to be more helpful to you in the future than I have been in the past. I am trying to give my very best thought to you in the one hundred questions we hope to have ready for the January *Message*.  
In Loving Comradeship,  
EUNICE P. WILSON.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

The first quarterly blanks have been sent to the Corresponding Secretary of the several Y. Unions, to be returned by the 15th of December. Now, dear girls, see who will be the first to send the largest paid list of dues this quarter.

I must tell you of the loyal girls at Loogootee, who furnished the music for the Parlor Meeting held in that town from the 18th till the 22d. What a help to the worker when the music is ready!

South Bend Y. gave up one of their honorary members to go to India as a Missionary teacher, the Rev. W. E. Lowther. His school will be Ypoh Straits Settlement, Malaysia. Let us pray for him, that God will bless him in his new work. Oh! for more such young men to go out in the Master's work!

Your Secretary goes to Springfield, O., for two weeks' work for the W. C. T. U. of that city, hoping to help as many of the young people as possible. Pray for me.

Rev. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts was in Anderson and addressed the mass meeting on Thanksgiving evening to a full house. His lecture was full of good suggestions and helpful to the large audience. Dr. Crafts was the guest of Miss Sears and family, as also Mr. and Mrs. Whitson.

Trust that all Y. Unions are planning to increase their membership, and that County Presidents will remember their pledge to secure some Y. members in their respective counties. Lovingly,  
CLARA M. SEARS.

## AGAINST POLYGAMY.

Petitions should be sent to the United States Senators and Representatives asking them to use their endeavors to secure prompt action of the fifty-seventh Congress, proposing an amendment to the National constitution and submitting the same to the Legislatures of the several states, defining legal marriage to be monogamic and making polygamy, under whatsoever guise, a crime against the United States. The United States statutes, as interpreted by the courts, define polygamy so as to confine the term to cases where the marriage ceremony can be proved. Since polygamous marriage ceremonies occur in the secret places of Mormon temples, where none but oath-bound Mormons are permitted to be present, it has always been impossible to prove such ceremonies. Hence we must prohibit polygamous living in order to put a stop to the evil, as was done in the Edmonds-Tucker legisla-

tion prior to statehood. Now is the time when these petitions should be circulated. The petitions, three in a set, one each for the United States Senators and one for the Representatives, can be secured by addressing The Willett Press, 142 Fifth avenue, New York City. Price 25 cents per 10 sets, \$1.25 per 100 sets. Every woman should sign a petition and secure many signatures. Let not a day pass until you have enclosed postage with an order for petition heads. This is very important. Mormon Roberts was kept out of Congress, now let us urge that our constitution be amended so polygamy will be prohibited. Will you help? Will you get the help of the church, the society, the club? Do so to-day.

## TO CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

To you who have responded so promptly to my request for a list of county and local officers, I want to express my appreciation and thanks. And to you who have not responded I again make the request and remind you that this is your assigned duty and that I cannot get the blanks and important communications to the proper persons if I do not have the exact names and addresses. You can send them on a postal. I simply desire the names and addresses of your general officers, not Superintendents. Let us work together and make complete our co-operative plan.

Yours in love and for the best good of the work,  
MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## THE NATIONAL PRIZE BANNERS.

A beautiful white ribbon star spangled banner is offered to the State making the largest gain in membership. This year it was awarded for a gain of 600. Let us bring it to Indiana next year.

A banner of exactly the same design is offered to the county making the largest gain. It was awarded for a gain of 131. Three years ago a county in Indiana made a larger gain than that. We can bring that banner to Indiana if we try.

A third banner of the same design is offered to the local making the largest gain. It was awarded for a gain of 117. Of course we can do better than that if we try.

A beautiful silk flag is offered to the State making the largest gain pro rata. It was awarded to Oklahoma.

Miss Willard's great desire was to augment our forces. We must have recruits. Let us work earnestly to double our forces this year and outstrip all other States in our gain and in systematic aggressive work. Next month I hope to give you a list of all prizes offered by National Superintendents.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## THE TRIP TO AND FROM FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

It was a delight from beginning to end, without a disagreeable feature to mar the pleasure of the occasion. The District Passenger Agent, Mr. G. A. A. Deane, accompanied us all the way and bestowed many courtesies which added much to our comfort and pleasure. We left Indianapolis via the Big Four route, Tuesday afternoon in a special coach, on each side of which was a banner bearing the words: "Indiana W. C. T. U. for Ft. Worth, Texas." At the larger towns, in Indiana, where we stopped, delegations and their friends came to the train to wish us a safe journey, and how we did want to gather them all up and take them to the feast of good things to which we were going! It was after 9 p. m. when we reached St. Louis, but we found our sleeper all ready with berths made up and curtains drawn. As our train via the Iron Mountain Road did not leave for several hours, we had ample time to go through the depot, which is one of the most complete and beautiful in America. Nothing that can be added to the comfort of the traveler seems to have been forgotten. Before retiring for the night we held a prayer service in the car. The next day when we reached Little Rock, Arkansas, we left the coach for a walk in the warm sunshine and to enjoy the scenery, for here we saw the roses still blooming and the hills gorgeous with fall foliage and bright evergreens. On the platform we saw men with boxes of most beautiful flowers, and imagine our surprise when a little later these were brought into the coach and each white ribboner was presented with a bouquet to which was attached a card bearing the following inscription: "Greeting, to Indiana White Ribboners, En-route to the Twenty-eighth National Convention, Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Ft. Worth, Texas, November 15 to 20, 1901. Iron Mountain Route and Texas and Pacific Railway. E. P. Turner, G. P. and T. A., Texas and Pacific Railway, Dallas, Texas; H. C. Townsend, G. P. and T. A., Iron Mountain Route, St. Louis, Missouri; G. A. A. Deane, Jr., Traveling Passenger Agent, Indianapolis." Later on a mayor presented to each of us a sugar cane souvenir. We were now in the southland and the great cotton fields, the cotton

pickers with a long narrow bag strapped under the arm and trailing on the ground, the piles of cotton, and the thousands of bales ready for shipment, were very interesting to us. Wednesday evening we were invited to the coach containing the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut delegations. Much amusement was afforded by a mock trial in which Mrs. Mary Hunt was the criminal, charged with drinking a bottle of beer; Mrs. Ella Boole, prosecuting attorney; Margaret Dye Ellis, attorney for the defendant; Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, judge, and Mrs. Forbes, sheriff. The verdict was "not guilty."

We reached Ft. Worth Thursday morning and were there one week. The most delightful feature of the home trip was the day at Hot Springs, Arkansas. Friday morning we found our coach side-tracked in a most convenient location, and soon after breakfast were ready for the day's outing. The town is built in a long narrow valley between the mountains, and because of its wonderful hot springs is almost made up of hotels and bath houses. Every one had a bath, and after dinner we chartered a car and rode through the valley and around the mountains. We walked up Happy Hollow and there most of the party mounted burros and rode to the top of the mountain. Mrs. Whitson and Mrs. Jones, of Terre Haute, were pronounced the prize riders. Space forbids further details. Best of all, was the sweet companionship of our white ribbon sisters. They are, in our estimation, "the best people on earth." To our dear Mrs. McWhirter, who with characteristic thoughtfulness had planned so many delightful things for us and arranged every detail of the journey, we are indebted for a trip to be remembered as one of the bright spots in life. We all want to go to Portland, Maine, next year, and we want you to go with us.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

Our Indiana party to Ft. Worth greatly appreciated the courtesy of the officials of the Big Four, Iron Mountain and Texas Pacific lines. To have a special coach streamered by the Big Four from Indianapolis to St. Louis without extra expense was a favor enjoyed by all. The sixteen section sleeper through from St. Louis over the Iron Mountain and Texas & Pacific to Ft. Worth added much to the pleasure and comfort of all. On our return arrangements were made by the Railway Representative—Mr. G. A. A. Deane, Jr., by which we came from Ft. Worth over the Transcontinental to Texarkana, thereby giving opportunity for seeing a different country. Besides this, the opportunity of spending 16 hours at Hot Springs; having our sleeper taken there 22 miles from the main line and returned, its use during the time, as well as the special mileage rates over the 22 miles of road from the main line and return, was all the result of our Indiana delegates and friends going as a party. Every courtesy possible was shown us by the representatives of the lines used, even to the transfer of our baggage by porters waiting our arrival at St. Louis.

The Indiana party to Ft. Worth was as follows: Miss Mary Hadley, Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Mrs. J. R. Wood, Mrs. Gulie Shugart, Mrs. Mary Balch, Mrs. Clara Balch and daughter, Mrs. Sarah Roberts, Mrs. Emma Sayler, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Mrs. Ida Wise, Miss Laura Cammack, Mrs. Carrie Jones, Mrs. Ida Mix, Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Mrs. Ada B. Leck, Mrs. Mary E. Everison, Mrs. Luella McWhirter, Miss Ethel McWhirter, Mrs. Helen Sherfy, Miss Elizabeth Sherfy, Miss Susie McWhirter, Mr. Felix McWhirter, Jr., Mrs. Rena Smith, Mrs. Margaret Ross, Mrs. Lydia Hammond and Miss Sidney Farmer, the child elocutionist. On the return trip Miss Marie Brehm, of Illinois, Miss Ensign, of Ohio and Mrs. Allen, of New York, joined the party.

## THE TENTH INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONFERENCE.

The Tenth International Peace Congress was held in Glasgow, from the 10th to the 13th of September. There were not as many delegates from the Continent as in some years, for Glasgow is a northern city and to reach it involves a long journey. Possibly also the unpopularity of England on account of her conduct of the South African war, may have been the reason for several remaining away. We in this country hardly realize the intensity of the feeling on the subject in Central Europe. Of non-English speaking countries, France was the best represented, and most of the French delegates took a very active part in the debates. Spain, Germany, Russia, Holland, Switzerland and other countries also sent delegates, and there were five from America, namely, Dr. Benjamin F. Trueblood, Edward Meade and wife, and Dr. R. H. Thomas and Anna B. Thomas.—*Messenger of Peace*.

Over 100 copies of the State Minutes have already been sent into Grant county, and more to follow. No wonder Grant county is ahead; it seems she intends to keep ahead.



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All Unions are urged to appoint Message and Union Signal reporters. Send condensed items of your work. Your success will encourage others.

FORT WORTH, TEX., NOVEMBER 15-20.

The twenty-eighth annual convention of the National W. C. T. U., was held in the beautiful First Baptist Church of Fort Worth, with every State and nearly every Territory represented. There were 293 voting delegates and several hundred visitors.

President Stevens' address was able and delivered with great earnestness. It concluded amid applause and the Chautauqua salute.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fry, stated that "with a total population of over 27,000,000 in the Southern States, 17,000,000 of these people live in territory where the sale of liquor is absolutely prohibited under local option laws." Nearly one-half of the counties of Texas are under local option laws. Ten thousand copies of Appeal to Physicians, concerning the use of alcohol medicinally, were sent out. Copies were sent to medical journals and secretaries of about 400 medical societies asking that the subject be discussed in the annual meetings. In many of the journals the appeal was copied and much discussion has followed.

The first evening was "Welcome Night."

With genuine cordiality the White Ribboners were welcomed to Fort Worth and to Texas. For the city, Mayor Powell; Board of Trade, Captain Paddock; Legal Fraternity, Hon. O. T. Moreland; Stockmen, Hon. W. R. Hall, Vernon, Tex.; Y. M. C. A., Secretary Reeves; First Baptist Church, Rev. Luther Little, pastor; Churches of the City, Rev. A. B. Buchanan; the Press, Mr. T. O. Bateman, general manager Fort Worth Mail-Telegram; local W. C. T. U., Mrs. Dorothy Weaver, President; State W. C. T. U., Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, President. Responses, Middle States, Mrs. Bessie L. Scoville, President, Minnesota; Southern States, Mrs. Mildred Dorsey, President, Arkansas; Eastern States, Mrs. Ida Read, President, Vermont; Western States, Mrs. Helen D. Harford, President, Oregon.

How we longed for the presence of the Indiana White Ribbon host as we listened to the words of welcome and realized its sincerity by many tokens of unselfish, genuine hospitality. The strong words of response cheered us and renewed our courage. The audience was very large; scores of people standing during the entire evening, although an overflow meeting was announced. The result of this first evening meeting aroused such an interest and enthusiasm in the city that the convention church was crowded and people standing at all afternoon and evening meetings. Overflow meetings were held every night and then the audiences were immense.

Saturday night was "Y. night." Mrs. Clara Parish Wright, Y. Secretary—the beautiful bride—presided. She wore her wedding gown and presided with dignity, ease and grace. The young women and all of us are very fond of the sweet-spirited Y. Secretary who won a thousand Japanese girls for Y. members in one year as a missionary.

On Sunday at the morning and evening service hours, the pulpits of nearly all the churches of Fort Worth were occupied by W. C. T. U. speakers.

At the close of the services over 150 people put on the white ribbon. Hundreds heard women speak in public for the first time on that day. The church collections for the National W. C. T. U. that day amounted to several hundred dollars.

A model annual L. T. L. meeting was the feature of Monday evening, followed by an address by Mrs. Addie N. Fields, returned missionary from Mexico, once Vice-President of Indiana. Miss Anna Gordon,

World's L. T. L. Secretary, was present and made a short address in her sweet, winsome manner. She presented our dear little Sidney Farmer, from Auburn, Ind., who brought honor and credit to Indiana by her splendid ability as a recitationist.

State benefit night was greatly enjoyed by a very enthusiastic audience. Six States each made a net gain of over 500 members. These were represented by their State Presidents, some of whom brought their entire delegations on the platform. All had their State songs sung. The States victorious were, South Dakota, Massachusetts, Kansas, Oklahoma, New Jersey and Texas.

The Shenandoah Union, of Iowa, won the White Ribbon Star Spangled Banner given by Miss Willard for a Union's greatest gain in membership.

The old officers were all re-elected amid much enthusiasm and interest. The floral offerings to each were beautiful.

Platform night, the last, and some say the best, was Wednesday. The speakers were, Mrs. Nellie Burger, Organizer; Mrs. Ella A. Boole, President of New York State; Miss Amelia Humbert, Switzerland, and Mrs. Helen M. Barker, National Treasurer. The oratorical ability of each speaker was recognized; besides this, the ease and grace with which each presented the strong arguments for the home and against the liquor traffic was most convincing.

The last scenes of the convention were very impressive. Holding hands, the delegates joined with the National Officers in singing "God Be with You Till We Meet Again."

## CONVENTION NOTES.

Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens has attended every National Convention held since she joined the W. C. T. U.—twenty-six.

Miss Anna Robbins, lately of Manila, presented President Stevens with a gavel made from the horn of the caribou, the beast of burden of the Philippines. The color is dark, typical, she said, of that still darkened country. The mother-of-pearl inlaid upon it represents the motherhood and the magic letters, W. C. T. U., here stand for the first Union organized in the Philippine Islands.

The Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital treated 300 patients during the year. It blazed the way for non-alcoholic medication. Bequests of \$500, \$700 and one of \$25,000 have been received this year.

The hostesses of the convention were introduced amid much cheering, as were also the pages. Among the latter were Miss Elizabeth Sherfy, of Brazil, Indiana, and Misses Ethel and Susie McWhirter.

A very large painted county map of Texas was shown by Mrs. Stoddard, upon which all the prohibition counties were in black, showing where the death of liquor traffic has occurred. From the extreme of Texas the distance is further than from Chicago to New York.

Saturday afternoon being the time set apart for the introduction of Fraternal delegates and visitors, great pleasure was given the convention in receiving greetings from representative men and women from the great State of Texas and the southland.

The Philippine rally on Sunday afternoon was held in the Opera House, which seats 3000 people, and was taxed to its utmost capacity. President Stevens presided. She spoke of the object and aim of our cause in the Philippines. Miss Anna Robbins, recently returned from the island, gave an address upon the conditions and customs of a people which are to-day in allegiance to our flag. Mrs. C. C. Faxon, our friend from Michigan, was introduced by President Stevens, who said that Mrs. Faxon would go to the Philippines to represent our cause and for this purpose would give \$500.00 besides giving herself. The National Society needed \$1,500.00 more for its missionary purposes. \$1,528.00 was contributed immediately by that audience in cash and subscriptions.

A resolution was adopted to effect that the W. C. T. U. should work in harmony with, but independently of all other organizations, controlling its own machinery, in all efforts to secure desirable legislation along reform lines and for the enforcement of law.

Magnificent bouquets were presented by individuals and by delegates to the National officers after the reading of their reports and upon their re-election.

By action of the National Convention, hereafter Y. and L. T. L. Secretaries will be elected by ballot in the open convention, following Indiana's plan.

During the days of the convention many subjects were discussed where there was intensity of feeling, but at no time was there other than a sweet Christ-like spirit shown. This fact was frequently commented upon by the newspapers. It rejoices us to know that in all the great National conventions there prevails harmony, sisterly-kindness and respect. Notwithstanding there are at times widely different opinions expressed, it is done in a respectful and kind manner. God has greatly blessed and extended the work of the W. C. T. U. during the past year.

The Reports of the National Superintendents of Departments were most encouraging. Every Local Union officer and Superintendant should be supplied with a copy of the National minutes, which contains the National Officers' and Superintendents' reports. For these send 15 cents in postage to Mrs. S. M. D. Fry, National Corresponding Secretary, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois.

Mr. Wright, the husband of Mrs. Clara Parish Wright, came with her to the convention. He is a handsome man, a fine singer and an orator. He is an organizer for the Prohibition party of Illinois.

Invitations for the next National W. C. T. U. convention were extended from Kansas City, Missouri, Lexington, Kentucky, Hartford, Connecticut, Knoxville, Tennessee and Portland, Maine. By an overwhelming vote the invitation to Portland was accepted.

At Little Rock, Arkansas, on the reception of flowers and souvenir cards from the Iron Mountain and Texas & Pacific Railroads, Miss Mary Hadley hastily wrote some lines in response. At Ft. Worth, these impromptu lines from the Indiana White Ribbon delegation, together with all the names of the party, were printed in gilt on 10x14 inch cards as a souvenir, a copy given to each of the railroad officials and to each member of the party.

## FORT WORTH L. T. L. CONFERENCE.

Met in St. Paul M. E. Church, Fort Worth, Texas, November 14, 1901, at 2 p. m. In the absence of our National Secretary, Mrs. Helen G. Rice, Miss Margaret Wintringer of Illinois, presided. After devotional exercises a letter was read from Mrs. Rice containing subjects for discussion. The first one taken up was "Honorary Members." We need to interest parents and adults more for their influence upon themselves and the L. T. L. than for their money. The amount of dues paid by Honoraries can be fixed by each local organization, as this is retained in the Local treasury. The tobacco habit is found to be the greatest hindrance in obtaining men as Honoraries. A plan was adopted to hold a Model L. T. L. meeting in County Convention using W. C. T. U. women as members of this L. T. L., dividing them into primary, junior and senior sections, asking them questions from the manuals, calling them by their given names, asking them to rise and answer just as though they were young folks. In this way Unions have become interested and instituted the Normal Course of study.

In asking a favor, such as railroad reduced rates, for an L. T. L. worker to county or district conventions explain our work and tell them as they demand total abstinence of all their helps, we are teaching and training the boys on this line. Where this has been done round trip half rates have been given.

## EXCHANGE WORKERS BETWEEN COUNTIES AT COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

Friday morning 8:30. Miss Hollister of Minnesota presided. "The Relation of the L. T. L. to Church Union Societies," was the subject taken up. Pennsylvania reported that the "Traveling Leaflets" had not turned out satisfactory, but the hope and prospect for churches taking up the L. T. L. is brighter than ever before, but not much to report yet, and asks her County Branch Secretaries to send to Miss Guernsey for the leaflets and try the plan. Illinois had not sent them out. Indiana had sent the leaflets with a letter to county W. C. T. U. Presidents and considers it a seed sowing that will bear fruit. Indiana's State Superintendent of Junior Epworth League, since receiving the leaflets has pledged to recommend our Plan of Work to constituency. Minnesota's plan was to send the leaflets to all childless Unions. Mrs. Fields urged that L. T. L. work in church societies always have a separate set of officers, and that Mrs. Stevens' leaflet relation of W. C. T. U. to other societies applies to the L. T. L.

A bouquet of beautiful pink roses was sent in by a Mrs. Fout, a shut-in of Fort Worth, for the National Loyal Temperance Legion and to be placed on convention platform.

Moved and carried, that the Frances Willard Memorial Day, February 17, be made Hospital Day, a day for gifts to this work.

New York has a Federation of Legions; meets once a month, and believes the Senior L. T. L. will by its influence and advanced education close the rum shops. They pay ten cents State and National dues, and five cents county dues. Monroe county, New York, issues an L. T. L. paper *Excelsior*. Subscription price, fifteen cents. Help the boys and girls to earn their dues by giving them some work to do.

Pennsylvania has sixteen cents dues, ten cents State and National, five cents county and one cent in a fund to send L. T. L. Branch Secretary to National Convention.

Beaumont, Texas, has twenty-five cents Honorary Membership dues. A motion to appoint a committee to formulate a plan for payment of dues was carried. The report was as follows:

We strongly recommend the individual payment of dues and to this end re-endorse the Honor Roll entering names of all pledged members with silver star for county, and gilt star for State and county dues. Dues for other members may be paid from general treasury if thought best, but such receive no star.

We recommend a State Honor Roll to contain names of those Legions which have paid full dues on all their pledged members.

We recommend that the payment of county dues be made to push the work in the county even when there is no county L. T. L. organization.

MRS. P. H. ADAMS, New York.

MRS. ELMA PRESTON, Pennsylvania.

MISS LOUISE HOLLISTER, Minnesota.

MRS. IDA M. MIX, Indiana.

(This splendid report continued in next issue)



## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Another year with its opportunities, its blessings, and its responsibilities, is before us. How shall we meet them? The work seems so sacred and so much greater than my ability, that I have just been asking the Father, how shall I proceed, what shall be done to arouse a greater interest among parents as to the responsibility of fatherhood and motherhood and the training of immortal souls for eternity. These words came to me, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with thy might." Then let us begin this year's work with renewed energy, faith and trust, "for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." I would suggest that every Superintendent of mothers' meetings would ask her pastor to preach a strong rousing sermon on "Responsibility of Parents." At that meeting announce a time and place for a mother's meeting, extend a special invitation to all mothers. That will be the beginning of what you may follow up, as indications and opportunities of the locality may permit. Be well prepared with a good program of song, prayer and scripture. To become effective workers in this department, it will be important for mothers to exchange ideas in regard to intelligent study of children and to encourage all efforts for the advancement of good citizenship, of which good children are the root. To rear good children, parents must first know how character is formed. Make your meetings informal but spiritual. Let every mother feel that she has a part in this work. Let some woman write a paper, selecting her own subject or write on Character Building, Home Influence, Mother's Responsibility. Sometime have two women write on, Which is the Greatest Determining Factor in One's Life, Hereditary or Environments? Discussion. Sometime have a question box; it will add interest. Distribute literature; start a circulating library, and last, but not least, be sure to organize a White Ribbon Cradle Roll; all children under 6 years of age are eligible. Remember this is not confined to W. C. T. U. women only; it is "whosoever will" may belong. We want 1000 babies enrolled this year. One thousand babies enrolled with 1000 pledged mothers will mean much for our work. My leaflet on An Appeal to Mothers, will tell you how to organize. Price of leaflet with pledge card, 10 for 10 cents, or 50 for 25 cents. At the State Convention I will give a prize to the Superintendent who has enrolled the most children; enrollment based on amount of dues sent in. Also a prize to the Superintendent who holds the greatest number of mother's meetings.

Yours for service,

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

## THE LATE ELECTIONS IN NEW YORK, COLORADO AND UTAH.

More than twenty associations of women united in a great mass meeting to help in the defeat of Tammany. The women worked hard to have a share in the result for God and home and humanity.

Mr. Crosby declared that women ought to have the ballot, and many New York papers declare that many converts to equal suffrage were made by this struggle against the powers of darkness.

Miss Emma Hersey was selected County Superintendent of Schools at Denver, Colorado. She received the joint nomination of six political parties, and was endorsed by a long list of prominent citizens.

The fitness of women for educational positions seems to be generally conceded in the equal suffrage States. All the political parties, except the Prohibitionists in Denver, nominated some woman for County Superintendent of Schools. This was the rule both in Colorado and Utah, to nominate women for Superintendents of Schools. In both those States men greatly outnumber women. So if women are chosen to these offices, it is because the men want the women to hold them. The *Salt Lake Tribune* reports that the election was as quiet as a funeral. A part of its editorial was, "The women! We love them, but we love them a little better this morning than usual. They can always be relied upon to keep the Ship of State in the channel."

It is high time to strike a blow for woman's enfranchisement in Indiana. Will you help? I offer a banner to the county that secures the most names above five hundred on our permanent enrollment petition this next nine months. Another to the person that secures the most names personally for permanent enrollment anywhere in the State of Indiana; have two petitions and get all names signed to both, one for the Senate, the other for the House. This also must be in the next nine months. I am now sending out the enrollment blanks to every county and County Superintendent.

M. A. TOMPKINS,

State Superintendent.

## PRESS.

As your names have not all reached me yet, and I cannot send you personal letters, I will again address you through our State paper—with the consent of our kind editor. I want to urge you to make good use of the time as it speeds on; to press the press work and make every line count; ask for columns in your local and county papers, and keep them supplied with reports and items of interest on our work. Give the facts about the canteen, anarchy, Sunday laws, etc. Report your meetings in an interesting and attractive way. People will read the papers and we can, through our department, keep our work before them. So let us declare our principles with no uncertain sound and make ourselves felt along the line of temperance and reform work.

Do not forget to clip from these papers all articles written on our work, with reports, notices of meetings, etc., and paste them on muslin the width of a newspaper column, so that we may have hundreds of yards of these clippings to take to our next State Convention.

The first quarter is almost gone, so please be active and earnest, so that I may have good reports from each county in the State.

To those who have written me I will reply and send literature as soon as possible; would have done so ere this but for my absence from home, attending our National Convention at Fort Worth, Tex. Texas took the Press Star for the best work done the past year.

Let us see to it, dear sisters, that Indiana brings the banner home from our next National Convention. With a united effort we can do it. Will you help?

(MISS) LAURA CAMMACK,

Converse, Ind.

State Superintendent.

## RELATION OF TEMPERANCE TO LABOR.

Will the County and Local Superintendents of this department please send in their names at once, so that I may know who my co-workers are? I hope that much more will be accomplished in this department this year than has been before. I kindly ask each County President to appoint a County Superintendent of this department, if you haven't already done so, for the work is so much needed among the laboring class of people.

Campbellsburg.

MISS FLORA WIRES,

State Superintendent.

## EVANGELISTIC.

The time is very near for our first quarterly reports and I wish to urge every superintendent to promptly report all work done, be it ever so little. I have revised the list of questions for the Blanket Report Blank to correspond with the questions on the Plan of Work leaflet. I would earnestly ask that you will work according to the suggestions in the Plan of Work, then it will be easier for you as well as your State Superintendent to make out reports. Answer the questions on the report blanks; then if you have done anything outside of this add it on a separate piece of paper. I hope to hear from every organized county. If there is no County Superintendent will the Corresponding Secretary aid the State Superintendent in reaching the local Unions? If any County or Local Superintendent has failed to receive a copy of the Plan of Work please let me know immediately and I will see that you have it. Let us dedicate ourselves anew to the blessed work of soul winning and trust in our Leader to equip and strengthen us for the work. If I can serve you in any way let me know and I will gladly respond. Let us pray for one another and work together for the building up of our Dear Redeemer's kingdom in the earth. God bless you one and all, is the prayer of your superintendent,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

The work of the Departments has always been one of great interest to me, but never more so than since the State Convention, when I was made State Superintendent of one of the most interesting and important Departments in all the State, that of "Non-alcoholic Medication."

The time has been when this was a very unpopular subject. But not so now. Thousands of people have become awakened to the fact that to use alcohol in medicine is a very dangerous thing, as a very large per cent. of drunkards are made so by having first begun to take it as a medicine. The number of physicians who do not use it in any form are rapidly on the increase. Many of our most eminent physicians are among them. They have decided by actual experiments that alcohol is not a food in any sense whatever, and that every particle taken into the system is a detriment.

I realized to some extent, when asked to take this State department, how much work would need to be done. The duties of a State Treasurer are many and heavy, and as such I felt that I could not add to my duties. The unanimous vote of the Executive of about forty members to help me in any way they could made it seem easier, and, as a result, I am now your State Superintendent. You can never know, dear sisters, how much I appreciate such loyalty and willingness to help. In order to do effective work I must be in direct communication with every county through a County Superintendent and with every Union through a local superintendent. Will County Presidents kindly see that one is appointed in your county and in your every Union? If it seems impossible to secure a County Superintendent, then may I consider you as the County Superintendent? If no local superintendent can be secured who is a member of the Union, then please give me the name of some one in the community who is interested in this Department, and who will distribute literature when sent. Please do not fail to do this at once, and send me the names, that I may communicate with them immediately.

The contest plan for this Department meets with the hearty approval of the National Superintendent, Mrs. M. M. Allen, who has kindly offered to help secure suitable recitations on the subject. The National Superintendent of Medal Contests offers to devote one entire issue of the *Contest Journal* (January or February) for these recitations. She also offers to have a medal made for this special use. I am sure

we all appreciate the kindness of the Superintendents very much indeed, and as our State Superintendent of Medal Contests is anxious to have a great many contests this year, can we not greatly add to the number by holding more contests on this subject than does any other department in the State?

That we may have a plentiful supply of recitations, I make the following offer:

For the best original, type-written recitation, either prose or poetry, of not more than 1,000 words, that can be given with an oratorical effect, I will give a prize of \$5.00; for the 2d best, \$2.50, and for the 3d best a copy of "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," written by Mrs. M. M. Allen, National Superintendent. All recitations must be in the hands of the State Superintendent by July 1. Competent judges will be secured, and prizes awarded at the State Convention. The Superintendent's blanks go out to you in a few days. I sincerely hope none from this Department will be consigned to the waste basket, but sent direct to me, with the name of the Superintendent on it if nothing more.

Any short article—prose, poetry or song, either original or a clipping—if sent to me will be greatly appreciated and will appear in print some time during the year.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness and help in this Department, I am yours to serve the very best I can.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,

State Superintendent.

## HADLEY SCHOOL.

The readers of the MESSAGE expect some word from their girls in Hadley School and should not be disappointed. There is a change of officers in the school. Mrs. Steele has been called to another field of labor; Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wells are now in charge of the house. They have each had some experience as teachers and are familiar with farm life, he being a practical farmer, and they are not adverse to taking a hand at whatever they find to do. The work is varied and heavy, but is well divided up among the girls, so that none need be over-worked, or none idle.

General good health prevails, and the day-school, under the care of Miss Ellen Piel, of Vincennes, is doing thorough work. She is highly educated and experienced, a lovely Christian woman and will lead the girls in the paths of usefulness and duty. She may not realize her ideals, but others feel to fully trust her. The industrial idea in education is fast gaining ground in the minds of the American people, as is shown in the establishing of numerous and varied manual training schools, for both sexes, all over the land. The founder of Hadley School was among the first to put this idea into execution, through the help of the W. C. T. U. organization. The school is now well begun and shows signs of advancement in all lines. It's greatest defect is in the matter of support. The plan adopted last year was an improvement over former methods, and if it had been fully carried out would have given ample support.

We hope each Union will respond to the call of the new by-law, requiring all Unions to hold one L. T. L. silver contest, during the first quarter of the year, covering the months of October, November and December. The net proceeds are to be sent to Hadley School to help pay officers and general running expenses. We should have \$85.00 each month with which to pay the officers in the home. The farm does well, but there are some things we must have in this civilized world, which we cannot raise on the farm, such as coal, coal-oil, sugar, rice, crackers, lamps, beds and bedding and many more things. Furthermore, if we cannot pay our officers regularly, they are greatly inconvenienced, as they have needs and responsibilities same as all the people of the world have. There must be a financial basis for all enterprises to stand on. You who keep up homes know how much better you can buy with cash than on long uncertain time. If we had cash we could buy at wholesale rates, securing better goods and better treatment generally and a per cent. off. We sometimes receive sharp words for our tardiness in paying and then must ask credit from some parties. Please be prompt with your contests and let us make this a banner year for Hadley School. You probably know there is an endowment in the future, but not available at present, and while we are carrying it let us do it in a business-like manner, and make it an ideal school. "Let your light so shine that others seeing your good works will glorify our Father which is in heaven."

Three new, beautiful bed-rooms are now ready for furnishing, thus making room for more girls. Some pillows have already been sent in and we are hoping other furnishings will follow soon. We have a good supply of quilts, but need blankets and comforters, single bedsteads, rugs, lamps, sheets and pillow-slips, wash-bowls, etc. They would be highly appreciated, if in time for the admittance of girls.

The L. T. L's. of Knox county have sent in \$9.00, made at two gold medal contests. At their request it is held as a special fund, with which to buy shoes for the needy ones who are waiting to be supplied by their Unions. This was a happy thought. When they are supplied the money will be returned to the treasury and kept to perform a like service for others.

When the annual minutes are out be sure to get them and read the report of Hadley School for last year, and breathe a prayer for the Board of Managers, for the school, that they may have discretion and courage to go forward.

L. HOBART.

Gallaudet, Indiana.



## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

## RECEIPTS.

Westfield.....	\$1.00	Richmond.....	\$3.00
North Vernon.....	1.00	Lincolnton.....	2.00
Infant grade, N'th		Bath.....	1.40
Vernon.....	.24	Hartford City.....	2.40
South Marion.....	7.80	Kokomo.....	9.38
Rochester.....	3.60	Seymour.....	2.50
New Harmony.....	2.80	Lindley.....	3.70
Oaktown.....	1.40	Peru.....	3.50
Jonesboro.....	.20	Princeton.....	2.00
Sims.....	1.80	Infant grade,	
Freelandville.....	6.00	Martinsville.....	.08
Loogootee.....	1.00	Graduate dues.....	10.30
Marion.....	1.00	Infant grade.....	.08
Total.....			\$68.18

## DISBURSEMENTS.

National Treasury.....	\$34.09
State L. T. L. Secretary.....	34.09
Total.....	\$68.18

## HONORS TO INDIANA.

Indiana won the National Banner for Department of Institutes. This was presented to Miss Hadley by Mrs. Stevens, National President.

For the best report in Department of Fairs, Outdoor Meetings and Expositions, Mrs. Ada B. Leck won the banner for Indiana.

## SPECIAL NOTICE TO COUNTY AND LOCAL TREASURERS.

The By-law of last year in regard to the MESSAGE has now become a part of the constitution, and no one can be considered a member of the W. C. T. U. until the full dollar has been paid and divided as follows by the Local Treasurer: Keep 20 cts. in the local treasury; send 55 cts. to the County Treasurer (of which 40 cts. must be sent to the State Treasurer by the county treasurer), and send 25 cts. per member, together with the names and addresses of the persons who have paid dues, to the Business Manager of the MESSAGE—Clara Balch, 711 E. 11th st., Indianapolis.

According to this amendment of the Constitution the State Treasurer and Business Manager of the MESSAGE must compare books and receipts, which must correspond. If there are two or more members in one family, please supply the name of some one else to whom you desire the paper sent. If no name is sent, the Business Manager will supply the name, as the 25 cts. must be sent whether the name is sent or not. Where county is unorganized, send state and county dues direct to the State Treasurer.

## CONVENTIONS.

**Dearborn County** Convention was held in the Baptist Church at Moores' Hill, October 31. After the devotional exercises at the morning session, the County President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, again called to mind the object of the W. C. T. U. and asked us to lay the work on our hearts for another year. The election of officers followed. President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; Recording Secretary, Miss Pearl Shockley; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Grace Pate; Treasurer, Mrs. Purlee. In the afternoon two excellent papers were read; The Relation of Temperance to Labor, by Miss Edith Shockley, and The Relation of the Press to Temperance, by Miss Grace Pate. The evening session was especially interesting and helpful. Mr. Allan Helm gave an excellent address on The Location of Power. He said that power lies in organization that has back of it a righteous principle, in activity, and in persistence. He said that the W. C. T. U. is the greatest organization of women in the world and that it yields such a wide influence because it is thoroughly organized, because it has a righteous principle and because it is active and persistent. The convention was helpful to all who attended.

**Martin County** Convention was held in the beautiful village of Loogootee, September 24 and 25. Although the attendance was not as large as we would have liked, the meetings were full of enthusiasm and much important work done. That dear consecrated woman, Mrs. Pearce, was with us and much strength was gained through her helpfulness. We also had with us one of our former Y. girls, now Mrs. Georgiana Moser White, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, whose magnetic influence was felt in every meeting, also the ministers of the churches were present with their wives and by their forcible addresses in behalf of our cause gave us renewed energy for our work. The old officers were retained with the exception of Mrs. Lizzie Harryman, who had moved away. Her place was filled by the election of Mrs. J. B. Marshall as Treasurer. Superintendents of Departments as follows: Literature, Mrs. May Moser, Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Lillian Marshall, Flower Mission, Mrs. Flora O'Brien, Jail and Prison and Evangelistic, Mrs. Gehres, Scientific Temperance and Franchise, Mary Williams, Systematic Giving, Susie Major, Press, Mrs. May Moser. A number of excellent papers were read, among which was one by Mrs. Gehres on Mother's Meetings, which was replete in its instructiveness. Also one by Mrs. Lillian Marshall on Advancement of Woman from Servitude of Savage Life to Political and Christian Equality, which was full of good things. A contest by Flower Mission Band was a decided success. We were filled with enthusiasm as a result of the meetings.

The **New State Minutes** are now in the hands of the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis, ready to be sent out. It is to be hoped that every Union will send an order at an early date. The State Convention, this year, re-affirmed its action of the year before and voted that every county should furnish a free copy of the minutes to all of the Local Presidents in the county, to the county officers and to all of the County Superintendents. The State Convention also voted that every local Union should furnish the other local officers and all of the local Superintendents with a free copy. In the minutes of next year a star will be placed opposite every county and local Union that complies with this. I am sure no one desires her Union or county left out. Every member of the W. C. T. U. needs a copy, that she may be made acquainted with the work of the convention and of the work done throughout the State by your officers and Superintendents.

The **Annual Convention** of Parke County was held at Marshall. Prof. A. F. Mitchell delivered an address to a good house in the evening, subject—"Responsibility of the Church in regard to the Liquor Traffic." Morning session was occupied with reports from Local President and County Superintendents. Each responded with a well written report, not one missing. Election of officers as follows: President, May T. Lindley, Bloomington; Vice-President, Salina Newlin, Marshall; Corresponding Secretary, Inez D. Woodard, Bloomington; Treasurer, Louisa M. Spray, Bloomington; Recording Secretary, Sarah Owens, Marshall. In the afternoon an interesting programme was rendered. Recitations along our lines of work, by Master Evans and Ella Newlin. Mary Hadley told us what the W. C. T. U. is, and what it is doing. Symposium—"Is Indifference to the Evils of Intemperance a Sin?" The Peace Congress of all Nations, in Costume, at night, with a full house, closed a successful Convention. M. L. LINDLEY.

**Fewer State Minutes** were printed this year than last. We are pleased to note that they are being sent out quite rapidly. No Union or County can afford to be without them.

**A Spray of Holly** will be sent to any address for five cents. THE MIDGET, Midget, Ga.

**When Ordering State Minutes** for the county, please to state whether your order will place the Minutes in the hands of all the County Officers, County Superintendents and local Presidents in the county. Where ordering for a local Union, state whether all your Officers and Superintendents will receive a copy. Unless this is done I cannot give you proper credit in next year's minutes. Every Officer and Superintendent in the State should have a copy, and see that the report of her special department in the minutes are read in the local union meeting.

Price of the minutes, 10 cents per copy when sent by express and you pay the postage, or 15 cents when sent by mail. This is less than half the cost of the printing.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Ashley's New Y. Officers** are: President, Miss Reba Cahow; Vice President, Miss Golda Clark; Corresponding Secretary, Carrie Shaw; Recording Secretary, Edna Whitaker; Treasurer, Mr. Willie Taylor; Christian Church Vice President, Miss Sadie Gray; M. E. Church Vice President, Miss Jane Hunt.

**The New Officers** of the Ashley Union are as follows: President, Mrs. Lilly Wirick; Vice President and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alma Shaw; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Rinkle; Treasurer, Mrs. Malinda Cahow.

**Ashley Y's and W. C. T. U.** held a Parlor Meeting Tuesday evening, October 22. Had a house full of people and gained one Active Member for the Y, and two for the W's. The programme consisted of Music, Recitations and a Report of the State Convention. Light refreshments were served.

**Fredericksburg Union** elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Nannie A. Sieg; Vice-President, Mrs. Ella Witton; Secretary, Mrs. Willa A. Royse; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Deweese; Superintendents of Departments: Medal Contest, Mrs. Ella Witton; Literature, Mrs. Hattie Roll; Press, Mrs. Florence Gresham; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Martha Spigler; Legal, Mrs. Anna Deweese; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Mary L. Hancock; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Nannie A. Sieg.

**Chapin Park W. C. T. U.**, of South Bend, sent a barrel of clothing valued at twenty-five dollars and a check for five dollars to the Hadley Industrial School. This Union remembers the school each year with a liberal offering.

**Newton County** held a very successful convention in the M. E. Church at Morocco. Good reports of work done in the following departments were given: Evangelistic, franchise, mothers' meetings and purity, law and statistics, systematic giving, press and L. T. L. About thirty members of the L. T. L. marched in with flags and banners and gave a drill, sang songs and answered questions on the work. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer gave them a short talk on the work of the Band of Hope in far away Zulu Land. Rev. Palmer was present during all of the convention and was a great help and inspiration. She addressed the people on the evening of the 5th. Lunch was served at the church at noon on Wednesday and a social time

enjoyed by all. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Elzie Camblin, Morocco; Recording Secretary, Mrs. N. Bebout, Morocco; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary C. McConnahey, Morocco.

**North Manchester W. C. T. U.** have about 25 copies of the program receiving the premium at the State convention. We will offer them for sale for 10 cents, to cover cost of program and mailing.

**Windfall W. C. T. U.** is a new Union with but a few members. We have held two silver medal contests, which proved quite a success; Mrs. C. M. Myers, Superintendent of that department, being a very earnest worker. We have taken up the study of non-alcoholic medication, of which Mrs. W. O. Dean is Superintendent.

**Hartford City** officers and Superintendents are as follows: President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; Vice-President, Mrs. Annie E. Robson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Amanda Taylor; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. S. Armitage; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma McVicker; Organist, Mrs. Lena Coggeshall; Superintendent Temperance Literature and W. T. P. A. Agent, Mrs. E. P. Hall; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. A. E. Lee; Mercy, Mrs. W. M. Cunningham; Flower Mission, Mrs. S. D. Anderson; S. T. L., Mrs. Florence Brady; L. T. L., Mrs. George Bonham; Purity, Mrs. S. J. Knight; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. A. Taylor; Medal Contest, Mrs. Lena Coggeshall; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. C. R. Cooley; Evangelistic, Mrs. M. S. Armitage; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Laura Peschange and Mrs. Ella Craft; Infirmary, Mr. and Mrs. T. Neal and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gettys; Press Reporter, Mrs. Annie E. Robson.

**South Bend Unions** have placed a library of seventy (70) volumes in the county jail. Mrs. Zack Johnson is the efficient superintendent.

**Colfax Avenue Union**, South Bend, officers and superintendents for the coming year: President, Mrs. Sue Orner, 834 W. Jefferson street; Vice President, Mrs. — Hupp, 1027 W. Jefferson street; Secretary, Mrs. Lillian Jeffers, corner Oak and Cushing streets; Treasurer, Mrs. Emma Linard, 711 C street. Department Superintendents—Sabbath Observance, Mrs. G. Welton, 618 Cottage Grove avenue; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Daisy Shontz, 1201 W. Washington street; Press, Mrs. Lillian Jeffers, corner Oak and Cushing streets; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Martha Huey, Rural Delivery; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Emma Linard, 711 C street; Purity, Mrs. Ellen Wert, 869 W. La Salle avenue; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Hupp, 1027 W. Jefferson street; Flower Mission, Mrs. Mariah Gorsuch, W. Washington street; Franchise, Mrs. —McCombe, 1022 W. Thomas street.

**Wayne County W. C. T. U.** held one of its most successful conventions at Economy, October 31. A well arranged program was carried out. The responses to roll call by the Presidents of the various Unions revealed a state of activity very gratifying. Miss Lavinia Baily gave an excellent report of the State Convention. The Hadley Home and its needs were presented by Mrs. Candler. It is doubtful if any county in the State has done more for the school than Wayne, and the Unions help every year; some by donation from the treasury, others observe the three cents a month per member. Mrs. Haughton, the newly appointed collector, by personal solicitation, secured \$11.00 for the Home. The election resulted in Mrs. Stanley being re-elected for President, receiving 37 out of 38 votes cast. Mrs. Angie White, Fountain City, Recording Secretary; Miss Martha Harris, Fountain City, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. M. J. Gates, Centerville, Treasurer. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, President of Union county, gave the evening address to the delight of all. The railroad—G. R. & M.—accorded rates to the delegates; the press asked for reports, and everything is bright for better work. The report of our new department, "Law and Statistics," will appear in the MESSAGE, also in the local press. The Superintendent, Mrs. Rena Randall, spared no pains in searching the records and we propose to let the public know the result.

**Howard County** was again the first to send an order for Minutes for County Officers, County Superintendents, and all Local Presidents.

**For Copies** of the tobacco-law and anti-cigarette law cards send to Mrs. A. T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian st., Indianapolis. Size, 7 x 10 1/2 inches; price, 25 cents per dozen, or \$1.75 per hundred. They are just what you want for hanging or tacking up in school buildings, post offices, drugstores, groceries, etc. Send for a full supply at once.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.**—For copies of the State Minutes send to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian st., Indianapolis, Ind. Orders sent elsewhere must be remailed to her. This requires time.

## IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. JOSEPH VAIL.**—The LaPorte Union mourns the loss of a dear sister, Mrs. Joseph Vail, who passed to her reward 9:30 P. M. November 14. She was Recording Secretary for the present year. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

**MRS. RANDALL SPRAGUE.**—We, the members of the Hoagland W. C. T. U., do hereby recognize the hand of God in removing from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. Randall Sprague, who departed this life October 24, 1901. Although unable to attend many of our meetings, she was a good christian and temperance worker.

*Resolved*, That we extend to her husband our sincere and heartfelt sympathy and may he look to Him who is able to strengthen us at all times.

*Resolved*, That while we mourn her loss, we thank God for giving us such examples of christian life.



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## THE SUNDAY PRESS.

We talk of the power and might of "The Press,"  
Of its mission to teach, to enlighten and bless,  
And we hail it: "Best fruit of the Ages,"  
Yet a tide of corruption each Sabbath day rolls  
From the fount, o'er the land, debasing men's souls  
By the filth of its scandalous pages.  
—THOMAS SULLIVAN.

## THE ANTI-POLYGAMY CRUSADE.

Upon the definite pledge of Utah that polygamy would be abandoned, she—after being held out many years—was admitted to the Union. It is a hard thing to either believe, say or write, but the evidence is conclusive on all sides, that the anti-polygamy provision, introduced into the State Constitution, was a blind, and is a dead-letter and a fraud. It has not been enforced and it was never intended to be enforced. A dispicable trick which ought to stir the contempt and indignation of all honest men who take pride in keeping their word and preserving their honor was perpetrated upon the country. This very thing was feared and prophesied by many. But Congress admitted Utah, believing that men could not be base enough to repudiate their solemn promises. It seems now that we have to do with men who are not held by the ordinary conceptions of truth telling or the binding obligations of oaths. Polygamy, directly or indirectly, is being constantly practiced throughout the vast western territory wherein Mormonism is rapidly spreading itself. The late President of the Church lived publicly in his official residence in Salt Lake City with the last acquisition to his polygamous household. An effort to secure his prosecution failed. Former polygamists who, in obedience to the law, had practically ceased their polygamous practices, resumed them, being encouraged by his example.

The polygamous element is the dominant power in the Church and in the politics of the State. Public sentiment in Utah renders the State laws against polygamous cohabitation practically unenforceable. It is almost impossible to induce officials, elected by Mormon votes, to enforce these laws. The thoroughly organized polygamous priesthood directs the conscience of most of the Mormon people, and, through the political influence thus acquired, controls the official conduct of office-holding politicians. Only about one-sixth of the complaints sworn out against violators of anti-polygamy laws result in arrests and then the fines are merely nominal. The "Evans Bill," introduced into the Utah State Senate in 1901, which made it impossible for an outsider to bring complaint against any person for unlawful cohabitation, was intended to shield new polygamists as well as the old and to directly legalize violation of the anti-polygamy statutes. It raised such a storm of protest that Governor Wells, though sympathizing with its object, vetoed it lest more drastic measures of suppression should be provoked. It is a piece of ardent hypocrisy when their leaders proclaim that the "Mormon people have kept faith with the American Nation," and that "there has never been an occasion when our pledge of honor has not been kept." On the contrary, those who are well acquainted with all the facts declare that they have deliberately and systematically and persistently violated every pledge and every oath they have taken upon this subject. Perfidy has had few worse illustrations.

Their leaders still openly teach the sanctity of polygamy. "You cannot practice it now, but keep it alive in your hearts," they say. "The law of plural marriage was God-given and as eternal as any law ever given." "If you have a teacher in your Sunday School who would repudiate or encourage the young to disregard and disrespect a single doctrine of the Church—plural marriage and all—turn them out; they have no right in the priesthood." There can be no mistaking the influence of such language. In that priest-ridden community, where the Hierarchy is in supreme power, such advice is practically a command.

We have tried every sort of a law in order to exterminate polygamy and each has failed. Brigham Young defied the law of 1862 and Mormon perjury prevented its efficacy to convict. In 1882 the Edmunds Bill was passed and three years later the Mormons in solemn assembly declared: "This (plural marriage) is a vital part of our religion, the decision of the courts to the contrary notwithstanding." Then followed the vigorous Edmunds-Tucker laws and President Woodruff's famous manifesto proclaiming the abandonment of polygamy.

But it still lives. We must have an amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting polygamy forever and putting its enforcement in the hands of the federal authorities. We must act promptly. It ought to be done in the next Congress. It will take the vote of two-thirds of both Houses and must be ratified by three-fourths of the States. Here is the reason for haste: Mormonism is constantly spreading. Not only in Utah, but in Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada—holding the balance of power in these—Montana, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, the Mormons have planted

themselves. Their hope is to be such strong political factors in all these present and future States that they can prevent ratification by a three-fourths vote. Meanwhile they are disseminating their doctrines and urging everybody to "live up to their religion." Two thousand Mormon elders are scattered over the country propagating their system.—*Western Christian Advocate.*



MRS. EUNICE P. WILSON,  
The Loved President Indiana W. C. T. U.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT.

DEAR SISTERS—I had expected to have the one hundred questions ready for the January MESSAGE, and occupy the space I have used with my letters each month, but, owing to circumstances over which I had no control, I shall not have them ready, but must ask you to wait another month. I regret the delay more than I can tell you, but hope I may not disappoint you again.  
In love, EUNICE P. WILSON.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

The following business-like letter was recently sent out to all the Legions by James E. Mix, the State Superintendent of Anti-gambling.

This splendid young man is vigorously pushing this Department, and deserves the co-operation of all the Legioners and the W. C. T. Unions:

"DEAR CO-WORKERS—As your Superintendent, again this year, of Anti-Gambling, I want to urge upon you the importance of this department. Very often a simple game of chance, playing marbles for keeps or small prize offered, has been the means of leading the young astray and has inspired them for greater gains. Our big gamblers of to-day had their beginnings in the smaller games of chance that are looked upon as harmless by so many thoughtless people, and we, as Loyal Temperance Legion workers, want to turn the least appearance of evil. 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.' Now let us get to work at once and see if we cannot have all our members on the Anti Gambling Pledge Roll. The plan I have is this: Appoint a superintendent in your Legion, and send for the Pledge Cards. I will furnish them to you at 50 cents per 100, and once a month have the Pledge read and ask for signers. The Superintendent keeping a list of them and giving the Pledge card to the one who signs it. Report to me the names of those who sign by the 15th of September, so that I can give my report at the Convention. And I will give a prize of a Roll of Honor with the names of those who signed the Pledge in your Legion if you have the most signers. Let us come up to the State Convention with a good report in this Department.

"Yours in the Work, JAMES E. MIX,  
Kokomo, Indiana."

## PRIZES OFFERED BY NATIONAL SUPERINTENDENTS.

A number of the National Superintendents offer prizes for the best report of work done in their respective departments, and I am endeavoring to secure and place before you a complete list of these prizes. I am aware that the many consecrated Department Superintendents in Indiana are working for something higher than the winning of a prize, but I trust that the publication of this list will be an incentive to greater care in reporting. The report of a successful effort in one State encourages the workers in every other State, and there is nothing at our National Conventions which excites greater interest and enthusiasm than the awarding of these Department prizes. Indiana, with her State and County Boards of Superintendents and her quarterly department report blanks, is well equipped for successful work. If we will but use the power that is in us we can bring Indiana to the highest standard, and extend our influence beyond our own borders.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Department—Prize Banner awarded for the largest per cent. gain in Superintendents; also, a flag to the State doing the greatest amount of work.

Mercy Department—\$5.00 for the best State report; \$5.00 for the best County report, and \$5.00 for the best Local report. Reports must be sent on blanks, must be in time, and numerical answers given to questions requiring them.

Flower Mission Department—\$5.00 worth of literature for the best State report.

Systematic Giving Department—\$5.00 worth of Literature for the best State report.

Press Department—Silver Star awarded for the greatest number of columns secured and quality of work.

Non-Alcoholic Medication—\$10.00 worth of literature to the State; \$5.00 worth of literature to the County, and \$3.00 worth of literature to the local, for the best reports according to the National Superintendent's plan of work.

Franchise Department—To the State securing the largest number of names for permanent enrollment, a lecture will be given at the State Convention, by a National lecturer, for expenses and entertainment only. Also, Uncle Sam's Bible for the best local report.  
MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

An error occurs in the report of the Appropriation Committee, page 55, State Minutes, where Summer Assemblies receive an appropriation of \$100.00, and organization is not mentioned. According to the action of the Committee, each of these Departments were to receive \$50.00 each.

## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1901-1902.

President—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.

Vice-President—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.

Treasurer—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## BRANCH SECRETARIES.

General Secretary Young Woman's Branch—Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 West 14th street, Anderson.

General Secretary L. T. L. Branch—Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

### I. ORGANIZATION AND LECTURES.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, Indianapolis.

Organizers—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.

Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ash street, Indianapolis.

Miss Alice R. Palmer, Hammond.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Terre Haute.

L. T. L's, Y's and Medal Work—Mrs. Ada L. Squier, Terre Haute.

Work Among Colored People—Miss Susan Clark, Indianapolis.

Work Among Foreigners—Mrs. Flora Woodard, Peru.

### II. PREVENTIVE.

Health and Heredity and Physical Culture—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.

### III. EDUCATIONAL.

W. C. T. U. Normal Institute—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

Sunday School Work—Mrs. Cynthia Jones, Wabash.

Scientific Temperance Work—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.

Parliamentary Usage—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.

Mrs. Laura Axtel, South Bend.

Medal Contests—Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. 11th St., Indianapolis.

Temperance Literature—Mrs. Etta Ayers, Upland, Grant County.

The Press—Miss Laura Geneva Cammack, Converse.

Purity—Mrs. W. B. McMahon, Anderson.

Purity in Literature and Art—Mrs. Susan Bailey, Spiceland.

Mothers' Meetings—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.

Hadley Industrial School for Needy, Worthy Girls and Orphans' Home

and Homeless Children—Mrs. Ida R. Benham, Wabash; Mrs.

L. M. Beck, Bloomington.

Peace and Arbitration—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.

Relation of Temperance to Labor—Miss Flora Wires, Campbellsburg.

Law and Statistics—Mrs. Florence DeLong, Roanoke.

Household Economics—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th St., Indianapolis.

Non-Alcoholic Medication—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

Petition and Legislation—Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg.

### IV. EVANGELISTIC.

Evangelistic—Mrs. E. M. Houghton, Richmond.

Systematic Giving—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.

Work Among Railroad Employees—Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.

Department of Mercy—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington.

Jail and Prison—Mrs. Anna E. Palmateer, 916 Chestnut street, Terre Haute.

Work Among Soldiers and Sailors—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.

Work Among Miners—Mrs. Julia A. Trish.

Unfermented Communion Wine—Mrs. J. R. Wood, 1706 N. Delaware St., Indianapolis.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, South Bend.

### V. SOCIAL.

Flower Mission—Miss Mabel Jeffrey, South Bend.

State and County Fairs—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 Capitol ave. N., Indianapolis.

### VI. LEGAL.

Franchise—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.

Christian Citizenship—Mrs. Almira Staples, S. William street, South Bend.



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## MOTHERHOOD AS A PROFESSION.

Motherhood is a profession. Women, as well as men, are teachers, lecturers, doctors, lawyers and preachers. In these great fields of usefulness they have been successful. They hold their own with some of our best professional men. But, true as this is, woman's greatest calling, her profession, is motherhood.

What other profession would a woman dare enter with so little preparation as she does that of motherhood? Law, medicine, or the ministry require not less than three years' special training, and more often seven or eight. Who ever heard of a woman spending from three to eight years in study and preparation for motherhood? But is it not from her profession that all three others are supplied? Does she not give our professional men their first schooling? Is it not in the power of her profession to swing the nation's pendulum for weal or woe? Aye, verily! "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the nation."

From these well-known professions, such as law or medicine, we gain praise and wealth, honor and wisdom. From the profession of motherhood woman gains the greatest honor that earth or heaven can bestow on mortal man—the honor of being a co-partner with God in bringing a new life into the world, of "starting another soul voyaging toward eternity."

If she is prepared for this profession, motherhood brings contentment of heart and joy of life, the knowledge of God's approval, and we know that we have given to the race a child that is well born.

During our last commencement season there were not less than \$15,000,000 given to our colleges and universities. This shows the trend of our national progress. We are an educational people, and our thirst for knowledge is not yet quenched. We are going still higher. Our colleges are receiving large endowments, and our universities are making education possible for everyone, whether rich or poor.

These educational institutions send forth well-trained women into all the professions of life, except that of motherhood, the greatest of them all.

Why is this department of our wonderful educational system so neglected? Why do we, as a government, spend thousands upon thousands of dollars annually to supply our markets and stock yards with hogs and cattle, sheep and horses, that have been well bred, well born and well raised, and then permit our boys and girls, human beings created in God's image, the ones who, in a few short years, will hold the reins of government in their hands, make our laws, doctor our sick, preach our sermons, make our homes, those in whose hands the nation's destiny rests, why do we permit these children to come into our homes, our states, our nation, under the most unfavorable circumstances? We treat our dogs better, and our cattle live on a much higher plane than thousands of our fellow-citizens! Think of it.

This sounds harsh, I know, but it is a fact. Any stock raiser who loses a pig or lamb or calf will study the cause of its death; he will know the reason, and henceforth that cause will not exist.

Over one million children die every year before they are twenty. Do you know the reason? Do you suppose that the parents of the children know? Authorities tell us that these deaths are caused by the lack of knowledge on the part of parents! Murder! It is a crime to enter the sacredness of creation in such ignorance, and should be punishable by law.

In no other department of human activity is there such a lack of culture as in the responsibilities of parenthood. If we would but stop to consider the social evils of the day, the vices and habits that are common but secret, we would realize the crying need of education along these lines, the need of training the mothers and preparing them for their great profession. Prevention is the only remedy which digs deep enough to eradicate these conditions, and motherhood is the only place to apply this remedy.

Mothers of America! How long will you stand idle? How long will you sanction these conditions

by your silence? How long will you allow your profession to be trampled under foot of man? How long will you permit yourselves to be the slaves of passion? How long will you hold the balance in which totters the nation's destiny, and refuse to tip it for God and good? Oh, I plead with you, for character's sake, to shake off the shackles, to get abreast of the times (we are living in a new century). Put your shoulder to the wheel, and, with God's help, let us make motherhood the greatest profession of the twentieth century.—CHAS. L. PLYMATE, in the *American Mother*.

## INSTITUTES.

Our W. C. T. U. Institutes are as necessary and helpful to the active membership as are the County Teachers' Institutes to the teachers. Now is the time for County Executives to plan for the spring Institutes. A gold medal contest should be held in every County Institute this year. This can be done with few exceptions. The county which thus early begins to plan definitely for the Institute will see good results. Each Union fortunate enough to be asked to entertain the County Institute should immediately prepare for it by:

1. Secure the best church.
2. Organizing an oratorical contest class for a Gold Medal.
3. Engaging the best musicians.
4. Securing entertainment for visitors.
5. Writing personal letters to all Unions in the county, inviting them to attend the Institute, assuring them of a hearty welcome, etc.

6. First, last and all the time remember that in order for the people to become interested enough in this Institute to attend, they must know something more about it than simply an announcement from the pulpits and through the papers that "the W. C. T. U. will hold a two days' Institute in — church — days." Such an announcement will never pack a house with people.

A write up of the wonderful plans of an Institute, the educated leaders, the interesting discussions, with pictures of the leaders, will arouse an interest or perhaps curiosity. Thus disinterested people will attend. Full and fine reports of first meeting in the papers, with explanation in regard to Oratorical Contest and the personal of contestants, will insure a large attendance. The newspapers will give space. What we most need in Indiana to-day is a bright, energetic, tactful Press Superintendent in every Union who will study reporting just as hard as she ever studied mathematics. The interest and attendance will constantly increase—enthusiasm will follow. Many people will become interested and identified with our cause. This will mean a successful Institute.

## SUPERINTENDENTS.

It is high time every Superintendent was at work along her special gift line; and especially do we urge the work of Scientific Temperance during the school year.

First, let the Superintendent have a conversation with the teacher.

Second, have her subscribe for the *Physiology Journal*.

Third, see if the latest revised Physiologies are in the school.

Fourth, give the teachers a reception, and have the most scientific doctors in reach to address them.

By the time you have this much done there will be more to follow. MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON,  
State Superintendent.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

My dear Sunday School Superintendents! *Awake!* This, the second year of the new century, promises to be a year of golden opportunities. Sisters, let us use our Sunday School department; be diligent and fervent in spirit in serving the Lord. Let us do our work as unto Him, and it shall not return unto us void.

Please be patient, and pray for me in this great undertaking of being your State Sunday School Superintendent. I need your co-operation and earnest prayers for God's richest blessing upon our Sunday School department for 1902.

County Superintendents, visit all the Sunday Schools in your county, and work the Pledge chain as much as possible every Sabbath, and on Temperance Sunday have a temperance address in every Sunday School in your county, and if possible, a sermon from every pastor. Help your local superintendents all you can. Broaden your work all you can in the Epworth Leagues, Christian Endeavor and all young people's societies. Kindly ask all Sunday School boards to take several temperance Sunday School papers for their schools for 1902.

Local Superintendents, you will find the fields white for the reapers.

All Superintendents: Send to Stella B. Tevin, St. Paul, Minn., for a list of Sunday School helps. Please send all reports to me promptly.

Study this Sunday School Temperance work well. Broaden and deepen the work as much as possible. Visit all Sunday School conventions and make a temperance point if possible. Try and have a temperance chain in every Convention and a rousing temperance speech on every program. Try to have a motion prevail at the County Sunday School Convention that there be one collection a year in every Sunday School in the county for this Sun-

day School temperance work, and that said collection be forwarded to the local or County Superintendent. I hope every Union will have their County Sunday School Superintendent as well as local. We have received several reports—No work done! Sisters, who is at fault?

Mrs. Elisia Pshaw, of Ashley Union, Steuben County, sends the largest report of any received up to date—150 pledges, 300 pages literature, and 2 temperance lecturers and 4 co-workers. Sisters, I'll be glad to help any County Convention, or in any Department I can, if my car-fare is paid. My subjects are: 1. The Great Need of Temperance in the Sunday Schools. 2. The Attitude of the Saloon to the Church. 3. The American Saloon—Its Influence; Its Business. I'll do the best I can for all Temperance Workers.

Yours for the best work,

CYNTHIA M. JONES,  
State Superintendent.

## WORK AMONG RAILWAY EMPLOYEES.

We all come so closely in touch with railway employes that it would seem that this department should be one of especial interest to us. Almost daily we place our lives or the lives of those dear to us in their care. The character of their work—often Sunday work, with great temptations to drink—calls for our sympathy, cut off, as they frequently are, from influences that tend to nourish and stimulate the moral and spiritual side of their character. Let more women in the State rise to their opportunity and take up this branch of the Lord's work.

I desire very much to hear of much being done in this department. I am, yours to serve the best I can,

EMILY MCINTOSH,  
State Superintendent.

## PLANS FOR WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

As Superintendent of this Department I would like again, through our State organ, the MESSAGE, to submit the following for the year's work:

Have each union appoint a local superintendent. Dispense literature relating to our work. I have tracts on Mrs. Lucy Thurman's life and work, which any one can have.

Hold Mothers' Meetings or child culture classes. Hold Medal Contests, to interest, educate and make money.

Help in Sunday School work. Send to Mrs. S. B. Irvine, St. Paul, Minn., for S. S. pledge cards. Have each scholar sign two cards, one to be retained, the other sent to me. A good time to present these is when the quarterly lesson is taught. Ask the pastor to preach a sermon on that day suitable for the occasion, and be present yourself.

Explain the Flower Mission work, and ask some of the colored women and older girls to help sending the report to the local superintendent.

The same with Cottage Prayer Meetings. Find a competent leader among them, and keep her well supplied with literature bought from the W. T. P. A.

House to house visitations is a very effectual way to instruct and interest, leaving literature to be read.

Now, dear sisters, can we not do a good year's work? Remember we have our quarterly reports to fill. I will wait for surprises.

MISS SUSAN H. CLARK.

Will the MESSAGE please answer the following question in its columns:

What county received the premium for the best county roster at the State Convention?

MRS. ALICE BAXTER,  
Press Superintendent.

Spencer County, Mrs. Alma Shaw, President—[EDITOR.]

## HEALTH AND HEREDITY.

Miss Clara Boyd desires that the following be published:

### PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE.

The American Public Health Association is an organization of scientific medical men for the study of vital questions of health interests. They represent the Dominion of Canada, the United States and the Republic of Mexico—with their ninety millions of people. The prevention of disease by sanitary methods and restoration of health by the same means, are subjects of literature that will be distributed free. Specify circular wanted: "Prevention of Consumption," "Typhoid, Scarlet Fevers," "Chronic Diseases," etc. Address Mrs. C. P. Wood, 108 Powell Avenue, Evansville, Ind.

## PRESS REPORTERS—W. C. T. U. COLUMNS.

The best writer in the Union is not always adapted for Press Superintendent.

The Press Superintendent should have pleasing manners, be practical, with a large share of common sense.

Such a girl or woman will be appreciative of space granted, and not speak, look or act as though newspaper men were not "all right," but will graciously accept all space as a courtesy. The newspaper columns belong to the Editor, and he seeks to please his patrons. Upon his ability to do this depends his financial success. He wants news. To all his readers W. C. T. U. items are not interesting, and by some would not be considered news. We are convinced that to reach the people in this country in the interest of temperance reform we must be able to use the newspapers, for a very small per cent. of the population attend the



churches or read temperance newspapers. Upon the use of the Press depends much of the success of every Union. In accepting the office of Superintendent of Press Department, decide to give your best service.

1. Call upon the Editor when he is not busy, and in the name of the Union ask him to grant space for W. C. T. U. items, taking some with you. Better not ask for too much at first. Find out definitely at what time he prefers you should send in your material. Then send it in exactly on time; that means train time, not an hour, much less a day, late. Send by mail, if more convenient.

2. Always send in plain writing, or type-written, all items you expect to see in print. The editor can do his own scissors work. From you he expects written items, even though they are copied. One side of the paper only should be used.

In reporting the meeting of the Union, Y. or L. T. L., give time and place of meeting, name of presiding officer and any item of interest in regard to the place; business transacted (unless it be trivial financial items.) If there is an animated discussion, mention the subject and give names of parties that participated. Mention the names of visitors present, as well as those who took part in the program. Give name of the person that recited and title of the recitation. If the meeting is in a home, be sure and mention the decorations used. Give the items of every report made, except that of the Treasurer—this report seldom indicates the immense amount of real work done and is for members only, except on special occasions. The facts reported by the Superintendents of Departments should always be given—not the essay part of the report, but facts and figures showing amount accomplished.

Study how to be a good press reporter. The great Associated Press reports time, place, names of persons and important things said and done. To say an interesting paper was read or the program was good is too indefinite. Tell the point in the paper that made it interesting, or what especial features of the program made it good. In reports, too free use of adjectives in the superlative degree is in bad taste. Always bear in mind that the reporters for the great dailies and weekly papers in seeking items of news are very persistent in getting the names of people. Take note. Use full names in your columns whenever possible; not Mrs. Mary Dawson Howe; if her husband is living and known in the town, then it should be Mrs. John Deane Howe, unless she is well known as Mrs. Mary Dawson, a philanthropist, singer or writer or for some other reason.

The simple and practical plan for keeping an accurate account of all work done by the local press superintendent is as follows:

All items and articles the Superintendent has written or caused to be written are to be clipped immediately. These to be pasted on strips of muslin in column width. The number of feet or fraction thereof in length to be reported in figures. The roll of clippings to be taken to the County convention and State convention. Who will persistently and energetically do this work? One Superintendent's clippings last year measured more than 100 feet. Save the inches and they will make feet.

Pray and plan for this most important work and God will guide you and bless your efforts.

MISS LAURA GENEVA CAMMACK,  
Converse, Ind. State Superintendent.



MISS MARY HADLEY,  
Indiana's Sweet-spirited Vice-President.

Because of Miss Hadley's splendid work as State Superintendent of W. C. T. U. Institutes so far surpassed anything of the kind ever known, she was selected by the National W. C. T. U. to serve as National Superintendent of that Department. The largest and most aggressive State Unions have enthusiastically adopted Miss Hadley's plans. The States doing the best Institute work during the last year were represented on "State Benefit" night, at the National Convention, on account of the great gains in membership. From other countries Miss Hadley is appealed to for information in regard to how to proceed with W. C. T. U. Institute work. The Institute is a great educational factor. In it every department of our wonderful organization has a part, and in it all plans for Christian philanthropic work are advanced.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

At the last State Convention that enthusiastic and able speaker, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, was appointed Lecturer for the Department of Sabbath Observance.

We have not asked Mrs. Stanley to confine her ad-

dresses to the one theme of Sabbath Observance; in fact we would not wish her to do that, since she could not do the Department justice unless she attacked the Liquor Traffic any more than she could do a Temperance address justice without attacking Sabbath Desecration, since the two go hand in hand.

Mrs. Stanley's terms are \$5.00 a day, and expenses, for one or two addresses, with the privilege of sandwiching in a mass meeting, if desired. For full particulars write to Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, Ind., or you may address communications to me. The greatest enemies of the Christian Sabbath to-day are love of pleasure, foreign immigration, love of money for pleasure's sake, greed for gain and the saloon.

We feel certain that not only Sabbath Observance workers but many others will want to take advantage of these liberal terms and secure the services of Mrs. Stanley.

KATHRYN WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

#### INSTITUTE SCHEDULE.

##### SECTION ONE.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, 1025 North Center Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, Leader.

1. Pulaski County, at Winamac, April 14, 15.
2. Stark County, at Knox, April 17, 18.
3. Marshall County, at Inwood, April 21, 22.
4. Kosciusko County, at Warsaw, April 24, 25.
5. Whitley County, at Columbia City, April 28, 29.
6. DeKalb County, at Waterloo, May 1, 2.
7. Noble County, at Kendallville, May 5, 6.
8. Steuben County, at Hudson, May 8, 9.
9. LaGrange County, at LaGrange, May 12, 13.
10. Elkhart County, at Wakarusa, May 15, 16.
11. St. Joseph County, at North Liberty, May 19, 20.
12. LaPorte County, at Kingsbury, May 22, 23.
13. Porter County, at Boone Grove, May 26, 27.
14. Lake County, at Crown Point, May 29, 30.

##### SECTION TWO.

Miss Alice R. Palmer, Hammond, Indiana, Leader.

1. Jasper County, at Rensselaer, March 13, 14.
2. White County, at Monticello, March 17, 18.
3. Newton County, at Kentland, March 20, 21.
4. Benton County, at Fowler, March 24, 25.
5. Warren County, at Williamsport, March 27, 28.
6. Fountain County, at Veedersburg, March 31, April 1.
7. Montgomery County, at Waynetown, April 3, 4.
8. Boone County, at Jamestown, April 7, 8.
9. Clinton County, at Colfax, April 10, 11.
10. Tippecanoe County, at Clark's Hill, April 14, 15.
11. Carroll County, at Delphi, April 17, 18.
12. Cass County, at Galveston, April 21, 22.
13. Miami County, at Miami, April 24, 25.
14. Howard County, at Russiaville, April 28, 29.
15. Tipton County, at Windfall, May 1, 2.
16. Madison County, at Frankton, May 5, 6.
17. Hamilton County, at Noblesville, May 8, 9.
18. Delaware County, at Muncie, May 12, 13.
19. Jay County, at Red Key, May 15, 16.
20. Adams County, at Berne, May 19, 20.
21. Allen County, at Fort Wayne, May 22, 23.
22. Wells County, at Liberty Center, May 26, 27.
23. Huntington County, at Roanoke, May 29, 30.
24. Grant County, at Marion, June 2, 3.
25. Wabash County, at Wabash, June 5, 6.

##### SECTION THREE.

Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington, Indiana, Leader.

1. Parke County, at Rockville, March 17, 18.
2. Vermillion County, at Newport, March 20, 21.
3. Vigo County, at Terre Haute, March 24, 25.
4. Sullivan County, at Sullivan, March 27, 28.
5. Greene County, at Linton, March 31, April 1.
6. Owen County, at Freedom, April 3, 4.
7. Clay County, at Saline City, April 7, 8.
8. Putnam County, at Greencastle, April 10, 11.
9. Hendricks County, at Danville, April 14, 15.
10. Marion County, at Broad Ripple, April 17, 18.
11. Morgan County, at Martinsville, April 21, 22.
12. Brown County, at Nashville, April 24, 25.
13. Johnson County, at Franklin, April 28, 29.
14. Bartholomew County, at Columbus, May 1, 2.
15. Shelby County, at Shelbyville, May 5, 6.
16. Decatur County, at Greensburg, May 8, 9.
17. Rush County, at Rushville, May 12, 13.
18. Fayette County, at Connorsville, May 15, 16.
19. Franklin County, at Brookville, May 19, 20.
20. Union County, at Liberty, May 22, 23.
21. Wayne County, at Centerville, May 26, 27.
22. Randolph County, at Winchester, May 29, 30.
23. Henry County, at Newcastle, June 2, 3.
24. Hancock County, at Greenfield, June 5, 6.

##### SECTION FOUR.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 East Eleventh Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, Leader.

1. Monroe County, at Ellettsville, March 6, 7.
2. Lawrence County, at Bedford, March 10, 11.
3. Jackson County, at Seymour, March 13, 14.
4. Jennings County, at Heyden, March 17, 18.
5. Scott County, at Lexington, March 20, 21.
6. Clark County, at Noble, March 24, 25.
7. Jefferson County, at Hanover, March 27, 28.
8. Switzerland County, at Vevay, March 31, April 1.
9. Ohio County, at Rising Sun, April 3, 4.
10. Dearborn County, at Lawrenceburg, April 7, 8.
11. Ripley County, at Versailles, April 10, 11.
12. Orange County, at Orleans, April 14, 15.
13. Washington County, at Salem, April 17, 18.
14. Floyd County, at Georgetown, April 21, 22.
15. Harrison County, at Corydon, April 24, 25.
16. Crawford County, at English, April 28, 29.

17. Perry County, at Cannelton, May 1, 2.
18. Spencer County, at Rockport, May 5, 6.
19. Warrick County, at Booneville, May 8, 9.
20. Vanderburg County, at Evansville, May 12, 13.
21. Posey County, at Mt. Vernon, May 15, 16.
22. Gibson County, at Princeton, May 19, 20.
23. Dubois County, at Jasper, May 22, 23.
24. Pike County, at Petersburg, May 26, 27.
25. Knox County, at Wheatland, May 29, 30.
26. Martin County, at Loogootee, June 2, 3.
27. Daviess County, at Plainville, June 5, 6.

Indiana's plan for joint effort for Institutes and Organization was not made, but discovered or evolved from conditions found to exist in the field.

Thus far we are evolutionists; if we exercise the tact and perseverance necessary to avail ourselves of the full benefit of this discovery we shall be revolutionists in a most important and helpful sense, and shall find that we have within possible grasp the opportunity of revolutionizing by a broader and more thorough construction our beautiful and wonderful W. C. T. U. structure, and we believe that Indiana will do this with the plan she has unanimously adopted for 1902.

You may count on Indiana  
'Til stars fade from the blue.

So says our State Poet, and so says the President of Wisconsin in plain prose. And Wisconsin is the State which came so near winning from us the National Institute Banner at Fort Worth, Texas. But we are about ready to predict that it will be a high honor for the State which is able to win this banner from us at the close of this year.

Plans (for carrying out plans) which are deliberately and prayerfully thought out in the shortest, darkest days of all the year will doubtless develop into effectiveness and effulgence in the campaign of field work which is to follow in the bright spring months.

As we read thoughtfully the foregoing Schedule and re-read the Institute Plan as found in the State Minutes of 1901, we find that the short time intervening between the Institute sessions is to be given to Organization—either in organizing a new Union, a Y or an L. T. L. branch, or in building up organizations already existing. The County President, or the local President or worker in whose hands this work of organization may be placed should promptly correspond with the Section Leader, that carefully prepared plans may be made.

While the time can generally be most profitably spent at the place where the Institute session has just closed, in garnering the fruits of the effort, in organization, etc. there are possibly exceptions to this rule where there is some point a little farther on in the direction of the next Institute which can be organized. Correspond with the Section Leader, also, in regard to the Sabbath service.

The suggestive Program will appear in the next issue of the MESSAGE. Correspond with your Superintendent, at Bloomington, in regard to what you would like to have it contain this year.

Suggestions from County Presidents, Superintendents and others have been most helpful in the past.

Plan early for the Oratorical Contest. It has been earnestly and repeatedly suggested that it be Anti-Narcotic, or on the line of Non-Alcoholic Medication, this year.

For books, medals, instructions, rules and tickets, address the State Superintendent, Mrs. Mary E. Balch, 711 E. Eleventh Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Also, notify her promptly of your acceptance of Institute dates, addressing her as above.

To recapitulate: 1. Correspond with the Institute Superintendent in regard to the Program and general suggestions for the work.

2. Write to Mrs. Balch, Superintendent of Organization and also of Contests, in regard to Institute dates and contests.

3. Write your Section Leader in regard to organization and Sabbath service in your section, and thus avoid the perplexity and delay which must occur when the wrong person is addressed.

With the season's greetings, and much love for the work and Workers, Yours in His glad service.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent National and Indiana Institutes.  
BLOOMINGTON, Dec. 20, 1901.

#### L. T. L. REPORT OF NATIONAL CONVENTION AT FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

By MRS. IDA MIX, State Secretary.

(Continued from December Number.)

Monday Morning, 8:30—Miss Wintinger in the chair. Scripture, Luke 2, 40th verse. Prayer, Miss Hollister. Letters of greeting were read from Mrs. Rice and Mrs. H. B. Wisner. A motion carried to answer these and a letter of greeting to Mrs. Belle Rowley.

Our work in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines was taken up. Pledges of ten dollars from the Legions of Illinois and Pennsylvania were subscribed by their State Secretaries. Mrs. Fields said Leaflets and Song books were being prepared in the Spanish language for work in Mexico. A motion to recommend that the States push the work in our new possessions and that Mrs. Rice appoint a portion of the work to the different States was carried. Miss Wintinger presented the subject of our National paper, the *Young Crusader*, explaining the plan of printing same as to columns, and that Mrs. Mary Hunt and Dr. Mary Wood-Allen had promised to write for thirteen pages general matter this year. Miss Anna Gordon was introduced, and said she was glad to be with us, and to say "Howdy"; "how are you



all?" as they do in Texas. How is the Loyal Temperance Legion getting along? That our paper ranked with any young people's paper; that the L. T. L. was coming to the front; that all the State Presidents were getting more and more interested in the work, and advised that we enlist the Teachers in our Public Schools to wear the White Ribbon for an encouragement for their pupils. A motion carried that the required readings prepared and printed in the *Young Crusader* be added to the conditions for receiving Diplomas. Resolutions of thanks to the editors for their efficient work and the improvement in *Young Crusader* were as follows:

*Resolved*, That we most heartily endorse the *Young Crusader* in its present greatly improved form, and pledge ourselves to endeavor to greatly increase its circulation in our respective States. Clubs, 10 to 50, price 20 cents. Suggested and accepted that a place in the columns of paper be used for questions.

Tuesday Morning, 8:30—Conference presided over by Mrs. Fields. A part of 14th chapter of John was read; several short prayers. The revised plan of the Seal Course was presented and accepted, the number of seal, being fourteen. (I will send this plan for the next issue of the MESSAGE.) Mrs. Wintringer advised that we form classes for study in the different church societies. Mrs. Preston suggested writing for the new papers a good plan for promoting our work. Miss Yontis, from Arkansas, was introduced. Words of greeting from the State Secretary of Missouri.

Tuesday, 5 P. M.—Miss Wintringer presiding. Various methods, whereby the L. T. L. may co-operate with church societies, were suggested as follows:

1. Legions may ask to furnish music and recitations for Temperance Sunday in the Sunday schools.
2. Legions may invite Sunday schools and Junior societies to meet with them, taking a part.
3. They may ask to give their L. T. L. lessons in Sunday schools.
4. They may send flowers to Sunday schools and Junior societies on Flower Mission day, with appropriate cards attached.
5. They may beautify churches and public grounds.

Mrs. Preston offered the following resolution: "We still feel that our greatest effort should be for the undenominational L. T. L., yet we urge that we enter every open door, or push when one is ajar, to plead for the L. T. L. in the churches, and, if not successful there, then seek to get the L. T. L. day in the Junior Church Society or Sunday school, with separate officers for that day and leaders for the L. T. L. lessons given."

Wednesday Morning, 8:30—Miss Wintringer in the chair. Scripture lesson, 3d chapter 1st Samuel; prayer. Mrs. Hunt, National Superintendent Mothers' Meetings, explained the Cradle Roll of this department, saying they had been combined for the best work. There were 537 members to the Cradle Roll, which was good for the first year's work, and urged we rush the work this year. Pennsylvanians say the work has prospered with them, but the difficulty was when at the age of six years they did not come into the L. T. L., but remained in the department of Light Bearers. Mrs. Guild, National Superintendent of Fairs and Open Air Meetings, told of her work, and was glad the department of Anti-Gambling had been taken up, as this was helping her department; that the young men could help locate these places of gambling, and carry literature, and hold Gospel Temperance meetings. A motion that we recommend the co-operation with the department of the Cradle Roll, also pledge our support to the Fair and Open Air meetings, carried. Miss Hollister thought the Chalk Talks a good thing for these Open Air meetings. A letter of greeting from Mrs. Alice M. Gurnsey was read, and Mrs. Adams asked to answer same. Miss Anna Gordon asked if we had any thing we wanted brought before the executive meeting. Mrs. Preston moved, if consistent, it is the sense of this conference that if appropriations are sufficient, we recommend a Year Book; carried. Moved and seconded, that it is the desire of this Conference that one or more of our State Presidents be on program L. T. L. evening, or hour given us at the National Convention; carried. A rising vote of thanks was given Miss Gordon for her presents and help in Conferences.

### FIELD NOTES.

A contest in the first quarter of the year is what the by-law adopted by the State Convention provided for the running expenses of the Hadley School. Very few Unions have sent in for these contests. The school is greatly embarrassed for lack of funds. If you can't hold the contest at once, advance the money and send in without delay. Please give this your attention.

By order of CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, President of Lake County, represented Indiana at the banquet given at the Sherman House, Chicago, in honor of Mrs. Stevens, Miss Gordon and Miss Brehm. She spoke on "The Mission of the Taffy Party at Home and Abroad." Mrs. Stevens on "The Outlook of the National." Miss Gordon in a very bright and winning way on the same subject. Chairman Stewart in behalf of the voters. Dr. Sarah Hackett Stevenson on "Alcoholic Medication," and Miss Brehm on "The Outlook in the State." Mrs. Stewart presided. Miss Palmer will soon begin a campaign with Miss Brehm before the ministers' meetings and then in the churches of Chicago for four or five weeks for the "New Hebrides Bill."

Miss Clara Sears recently conducted revival meetings at Loogootee. Most flattering reports of her work have been received. Our Clara is thoroughly consecrated to the work, and we hope many Unions will avail themselves of the opportunity to have her with them.

A Union of nine members has just been organized at Spencerville, DeKalb County. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. M. D. Murray; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Laura A. Shutt; Treasurer, Mrs. Henry Beams. Mrs. Ida Wise, President of DeKalb County, attended the National Convention at Fort Worth, and since her return home has been working enthusiastically for the building up of her county. A speaker was employed for a week. It is probable that two other unions will be organized soon.

Auburn Union, on Sunday, November 10, held a gospel temperance meeting in the Lutheran Church. The speakers were Rev. Brosy, of the Lutheran Church; Rev. Krider, of the M. E. Church; Rev. Mr. Wilson, Rev. Mr. Mease and Mr. Smith.

Loogootee Union—Miss Clara Sears, State Y. Secretary, was entertained by the Loogootee Union one week, beginning November 17. She visited the schools and did house-to-house calling, mornings; held a parlor meeting each afternoon at the various homes, and a lecture at one of the churches each night. On Temperance Sunday she talked to a union of all the Sunday schools and preached in the forenoon at the M. E. Church, and in the afternoon to ladies at the same place, and held union services, at night, at the Christian Church. She had large audiences, and did much good. The people of Loogootee love and reverence Miss Sears, and the homes here will always be open to her. Officers—Miss Susie Major, President; Mrs. Maggie Brooks, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Virgie McCleskey, Recording Secretary; Mrs. May Moser, Treasurer. Evangelistic, Mrs. C. A. Donaldson; Suffrage, Mrs. M. Ehret; Purity and Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Emma M. Sproull; Literature and Press, Mrs. May Moser; Scientific Temperance, Miss Virgie McCleskey. The executive committee does a great deal of work in many other departments that have no superintendents.

Eddy Coolman, of Cerealine, aged 12 years, had an ice-cream social, the proceeds to be given to Hadley Home. This was at his own request, instead of having a birth-day party. The children who came were shown a picture of the Home and also photographs of the children. Eddy says he thinks more will come next year, because they had such a good time. This is the second party he has had for the same good cause. He was quite pleased to find \$3.00 at his disposal.

Miami County is pushing Oratorical Contest work—four silver and one gold medal contest since State convention. A fine contest was held recently at Converse. This union has organized an L. T. L. If this work is continued permanent good will result.

Eaton Union meets every two weeks. Mrs. S. M. Stahl was there and held a Gospel Temperance Meeting on Sunday evening. The house was crowded. Mrs. Stahl's lecture was fine and the audience was very appreciative. Both the churches want Mrs. Stahl for services.

Tippecanoe County President, Miss Addie Borum, gets her mail addressed Attica, Rural Route No. 1.

Miss Amelia Gilmore has entered on her seventeenth year as Superintendent of Literature for the W. C. T. U. of Monroe county. No county organization now, but her work goes on just the same. During the year just closed she distributed 1,500 leaflets with 25,232 pages.

Hartford City Union is steadily progressing in numbers and full of interest. Our meetings, well attended, are full of profit and pleasure under the wise and loving administration of our gracious President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl. On the evening of October 30, a reception was given in honor of "the Honorary Members and our Husbands." A good literary and musical program was well rendered and elegant refreshments served. Our Union observes all important questions, taking immediate action upon the same, always with an unanimous "aye" for the right.

Mrs. Louie A. Kightlinger, of Greentown Union, urged the unions to see that the World's Temperance Lessons were used in the Sunday Schools. Rev. Seaman, M. E. pastor, illustrated an exercise very impressively. A mass meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, and well attended. Rev. C. E. Davis, of Marion, gave his splendid stereopticon lectures on November 29 and 30, portraying vividly the destructive power of the liquor traffic. Rev. Davis is now devoting much time to the platform, and giving great satisfaction.

Miss Emma Rhoades, a member of the Richmond Mary F. Thomas Union, and for some time Superintendent of the Mission Sunday School, is now Superintendent of the Indiana Reform School for Girls at Indianapolis. Our prayers shall ascend for her in this responsible place.

The following counties paid State dues last, amounting to \$50 or more: Wabash, \$52, 130 members; Howard, \$54, 135 members; Madison, \$66.80, 166 members; Elkhart, \$88.30, 220 members; Grant, \$172.80, 432 members. The payment of dues for 500 members entitles a county to send a delegate to the National Convention.

Mary F. Thomas Union, Richmond—Officers: President, Mrs. Martha J. Little; Vice-president, Miss Letitia Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Rowena Raudle; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jeanette Strode; Treasurer, Mrs. L. W. Caudler. This Union has charge of the North End Mission. An orphan girl will be sent to the Hadley Home. In connection with the Associated Charities, the Union gave a nice Thanksgiving Dinner to the poor of Richmond, including the Mission people. Preparations were made for 300 people.

Thorntown Union—Mrs. Peery writes: A Mother's Meeting was held in the Baptist Church November 15. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, a goodly number was in attendance. The Child in the Home was the topic discussed. Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Dr. Bassett read papers which were discussed by both members and visitors. Part of the music was furnished by a ladies' quartet. All returned to their homes, wishing that many more such meetings might be held. A short time before the above date, while Mrs. Cammack Gibson was in Indianapolis, we had her one afternoon at a parlor meeting, and had her deliver her lecture—"Five Boys in Knee Pants"—at night, much to our amusement. We hope to accomplish more this year than last.

Marion Central Union pledged 1,200 Sabbath School children on Temperance Sunday, and have ordered 600 more cards.

A Contest was held at the Soldiers' Home on Sunday evening, and Miss May Mazingo, of Marion, won the medal.

Grant County's earnest President went home from the National and immediately called the County Executive together to plan for more efficient work this year. She says we must send our own delegate to the National this year.

Mary Hadley Union, Grant county, held its last meeting at Hackelman. They were invited to come again, and are going to organize a union. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson was with them.

One of our busy Marion County W. C. T. U. women in one day baked 16 dozen doughnuts, 24 dozen rolls, 9 quarts of beans, 6 pies, and helped to bake 53 large cakes (not cookies). In the evening she attended the Mapleton Union parlor meeting held at the home of Mrs. Clara Myers, listened to an exceedingly interesting paper on Non-alcoholic Medication, enjoyed the social and refreshments that followed, retired at a late hour, to arise at 2 o'clock in the morning for a busier day's work than the preceding was. Who can now say—"I am too busy! I just cannot attend the W. C. T. U. meetings?"

Hoagland Union held a mass meeting on the P. M. of World's Temperance Sunday in the M. E. Church. The pastor delivered an address and several others took part on the program. There was a good attendance and much interest manifested.

LaPorte Union elected Mrs. Mary Bell to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Vail as Recording Secretary. We have completed a package of clothing and other good things for our wards at Hadley, which will undoubtedly be in their hands before this appears in print. We also sent them one in October. At our last meeting we found that our treasury was getting low, so we took up a collection among ourselves, and while there were only a few present, realized nearly three dollars. Where there is a will there is a way.

Grant County heard from again. This time it is Deer Creek Union, with an order for 27 more State Minutes—10 had been previously ordered. Mrs. Susan Ratliff says this will place the Minutes in the hands of every White Ribboner in their Union. Grant County is working for 500 members, and may have a delegate of their very own to the next National Convention. The enthusiasm created by the reading of the State Minutes will greatly aid them in their work.

A new L. T. L. of 70 members was organized at Walkerton, St. Joseph county, Tuesday, October 29, by Mrs. Daisy Shontz and Mrs. Kathryn W. Holler. Mrs. Noble, of Walkerton, one of the public school teachers, was chosen as leader, and Mrs. Dr. Merandia as assistant.

A W. C. T. U. was organized at North Liberty Wednesday evening, October 30, by Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, with eight members. The officers are: President, Miss Cecil Bane; Vice-President, Mrs. Lucy Alley; Secretary, Miss Lela Cullar; Treasurer, Mrs. Annie Grove.

A New Union has been organized in Kokomo since the State Convention. Immediately 18 copies of the State minutes were ordered for the members of this Union. They mean business.

### IN MEMORIAM.

MARTHA E. HODGINS—A sweet, lovable and honored member of Bridgeport W. C. T. U., after an illness of ten weeks, was called to her Heavenly Home, September 25, 1901. During all her suffering she was always cheerful and patient, manifesting love toward all. She was especially interested in Temperance Work, and we feel that in our work we shall miss her loving counsel. She entered the valley of death without a fear, realizing that Jesus was with her. We bow in meek submission to our Heavenly Father's will, knowing that He doeth all things well.

On behalf of Bridgeport W. C. T. U.

MRS. MARTHA A. HILES—An earnest worker in the Campbellsburg Union, was taken home November 23, 1901. Her maiden name was Handy, and she was married to Samuel Hiles, May 11, 1859. He preceded her to the Glory land in 1889. She leaves three sons and one daughter, all of whom were married but the second son. This son, W. Elmer, was wholly devoted to his mother, having cared for her since his father's death. Her last words were "Beautiful river," and in a few minutes, "Peace," then again, "Over," and shortly her spirit took its flight.



# THE MESSAGE.

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## NOTES FROM CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

Dates for mid-year Executive Committee meeting, at Terre Haute, fixed for April 8 and 9. A grand gold contest for first evening; admittance, 15 cents. Speaker for second evening not decided on.

Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter resigned her place on the Central Committee, and Mrs. Sophia Toner, of Martinsville, asked to take her place.

Mrs. McWhirter was chosen to act as special solicitor for life memberships for the State W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Almira Staples, of South Bend, State Superintendent of Christian Citizenship, resigned. Resignation accepted, and Mrs. Davidson, of Evansville, selected to fill the place.

The Committee on Appropriations corrects the statement of \$100 for Summer Assemblies. It should be \$50 for Summer Assemblies and \$50 for the Department of Organization.

Miss Ina Coggeshall, of Marion, was made an L. T. L. Organizer.

The recommendation given on the Blanket Report blank, that of Unions having a Department not duplicated in the State should send the report to the State Corresponding Secretary, led to the following appointment of Mrs. Hattie Brand as Superintendent of Work Among Foreigners.

Mrs. Travis, of Elkhart, was endorsed as a Solicitor for our Industrial School.

Mrs. Tarleton and Mrs. Hessong, of the Industrial School Board, met with the committee. So far, only one Union has held the recommended contest and sent in the proceeds to the Home. Some W. donations have been received, for which the Board was very grateful.

MATTIE CAMMACK GIBSON.

## L. T. L.

A copy of the splendid letter of plans prepared by our State Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion, Mr. Ida M. Mix, of Kokomo, will be sent to the President of every Union as soon as she can get their names and addresses, these letters to be read in the Union and given to the L. T. L. Leader, if there is one. The Union that does not have an L. T. L. Leader should appoint one. Mrs. Mix will enclose a copy of the State L. T. L. constitution with her letter.

Required readings from the *Young Crusader* are added to the conditions for winning L. T. L. diplomas.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Dear Y. girls, it seems a little late to wish you a happy New Year and still I must, as I was in Ohio for several days' work in December, having some splendid meetings, but glad to get home again and into our work. Let our watchword be, this year, work and organize for Christ, to do better temperance work.

Chalmers, Goodland, Goshen, Martinsville, Monrovia, Fredericksburg, Anderson and South Bend Willard Y. paid dues. Fredericksburg Y. Branch is a new addition to our Y. family and I urge all the Unions to remember it in their prayers and to send it loving greetings.

Remember Chalmers Y. holds the State Y. W. C. T. U. Banner. Now, Y.'s, work hard. You stand a chance of taking it next fall at the State Convention at Huntington.

Less than fifty active members paid dues this first quarter. Treasurers, see to it that each member has been solicited. We must come up with our Y. work. Twenty-six honorary members this first quarter and 15 from Chalmers Y. Branch. We must say God bless them and prosper them. Goshen reports next largest number of honorary members—seven. Who will have the largest list of active and honorary members next quarter?

How many Unions need more State Y. W. C. T. U. programs? If you are in need, address the State Y. Secretary, Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 W. 14th street, Anderson, and they will be sent by return mail. Girls, please appoint committees from your various Unions to visit the public schools and see if scientific temperance instruction is taught. Appoint a committee to visit young people's societies on the evening of the temperance topic. The B. Y. P. U. has two in the six months, embracing 26 meetings, March 16 and June 15. Be watchful and a lookout of your own for our beloved temperance cause. CLARA M. SEARS, Y. Secretary.

## INSTITUTES

Are now agitating the minds of our women and we want to talk to them through our medium of communication. How shall we have union in our organization unless we submit to majority rule and work the plans the majority makes the best we can? If Institutes build some counties and in some others do not, could any of the reasons for failure rest with the County workers, or is it conclusively the plan? If a County has had failure for two years, would be best to try once more or rather repudiate the legislation given us by the State and say our County can hold no Institute this year? Again: Will the State be considered an

intruder and out of order if it fails to see how to cancel dates thus made? If the women have perfected themselves in methods and do not care to study them any more and will not co operate and hold the Institute, organization is then the object in view, and the State has her worker en route and the time should be given to this particular County. Will the County President object to having the State go into the town named for holding the Institute and organize a Union? The County President who does not find herself in harmony with her own plans—for we insist that the plans voted on and accepted by the organization in Convention are our plans, for one year—will need to consider carefully and pray earnestly. In union there is strength. To urge lack of means is to doubt our Father's promises. Last year some of the Institute Contests paid all the expenses of the Institute more than twice over. Instead of pleading want of means, better study how to conduct a successful contest.

Dear sisters, there are some things that can not be cancelled, and we are praying that 92 counties in the Hoosier State this year will hold their Institutes. No County would enjoy going up to Huntington next fall and reporting, "We could not have an Institute" in the midst of many other counties reporting their brilliant successes. You would all prefer to be with the successful crowd. And perhaps, if you study this momentous question—for it is momentous—a little more from every standpoint and decide it's always best to try again, the Lord will overcome hindrances in His name. We will all be of one heart and one mind and hold our Institute on schedule time at schedule places and give the plan an honest trial.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Chairman of Organization.

## THE MEMBERSHIP COMBINE.

Who will enter into this combine and double our membership and place our State at the very fore front? How? Each member get one more member. How simple; how easy; how legitimate! More money needed? Get one honorary member, and we have put in our local treasuries over five thousand dollars. It can be done if we will it that way. I am in the combine and have added my one working member and two honoraries. I shall keep on trying on this line.

MARY E. BALCH.

## CRUSADE CIRCUS POSTER.

Every White Ribboner should have one of the "Crusade Circus Posters" which were posted in Canton, Ohio, during the Woman's Crusade, by parties unknown. It shows how much the brave women of that time had to endure. Mrs. McKinley did not escape notice; neither did Mrs. Ballard, mother of Mrs. Chambers, State President of Pennsylvania W. C. T. U.

Twenty-five cents each. Order of Mrs. K. D. Hauck, 4300 Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia.

The Marion County W. C. T. U. Department Board Conference was held in First M. E. Church, West Indianapolis, January 15, with the President, Mrs. Mary Balch in the chair. Mrs. Mary Evertson, County President, conducted the devotional exercises. Roll called by the Secretary and a goodly number responded. The program was followed closely. Morning session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Emma Oakey.

At 1:15 the Board held a business meeting, at which it was decided to hold a Temperance Revival Meeting in the Alliance Church, East street, near Massachusetts Avenue, the meeting to begin the first Monday evening in February and continue one week.

Mrs. Stanley, of Richmond, a Temperance Evangelist, will have charge of the meetings. A chairman was appointed for each day, viz:

Monday, Mrs. Mary Balch; Tuesday, Mrs. Evertson; Wednesday, Mrs. Davis; Thursday, Mrs. Brand; Friday, Mrs. McWhirter; Saturday, Mrs. Lemon.

The Board voted to make Mrs. McWhirter editor of a column in *Phalanx* for Department of Marion County.

The afternoon session opened with prayer by Mrs. Dinah Welborn.

Mrs. Martha Gipe gave a ten minutes' talk on subject—"Compromise Methods; Shall We Use Them?" Her answer was, "No; There Can be No Compromise with Sin."

Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, gave a most excellent address on Non-alcoholic Medication. Dr. Hall's lecture was very instructive and was highly appreciated.

All County Superintendents present presented well-prepared plans for the year's work. After singing "Blest be the tie that binds," the meeting adjourned.

The evening's program was a Matron's Contest. Mrs. Evertson, "Eight Reasons Why a Woman Should Vote;" Mrs. Harry Wardwell, "Rum Tragedies;" Mrs. Hattie Brand, "The New Womanhood;" Mrs. Peter McDermid, "The Opponents of Woman's Suffrage;" Mrs. Frances Metz, "The Scourge of the

Republic." Mrs. Hattie Brand won the Medal.

Mrs. Balch offered premiums to Unions having all Superintendents present. No Union received first premium; Broad Ripple, second premium, a set of W. C. T. U. Medal Contest books; Palmer Union, third premium, set of Demorest Medal Contest books.

Premiums were also offered to Union selling most tickets. Palmer Union won first premium, Do-everything policy; Central Union second, A Prohibition Story; Meridian third, "The Effect of Rum Traffic on Foreign Nations."

The Conference was well attended and a success in every respect. Treasurer reported all bills paid and a balance of \$2.40 in treasury.

## NON-ALCOHOLIC.

The statement has been made that 90 per cent of the families use alcohol more or less in medicines.

An alarming statement! Is your household free from it? Has your Union a Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication? If not, will you please appoint one at your next meeting and send name and address to me at once.

Literature and Plan of Work has just been sent to every Union in the State by your State Superintendent. Let no one consider these leaflets of little importance. Read and study them. Begin the work at once. Some Unions did not return the Quarterly Report blank last quarter. Was it your Union? Please don't fail this quarter. The plan I have asked you to work for the next two or three months especially, can be worked by any one, whether a member of the Union or not. In addition to the prizes already offered, I will offer \$5.00 to the person or Union who sends me the greatest number of recitations. The number must exceed 20. All must be subject to the plan as put out in circular letter and in December MESSAGE. Form your contest class for Institute from these recitations.

Yours to help, AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

## CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LETTER.

A few days ago, a White Ribbon sister greeted me with the words: "Watchman, what of the night?" and I know that many pairs of eyes eagerly scan the columns of the MESSAGE for signs of promise in our work in Indiana. From my view of the field the outlook is most hopeful. Much of the first quarter of the year is necessarily given to planning the work for succeeding months, and the letters which come to my desk indicate that the greater part of our army is well equipped for a telling battle with the rum power. This is particularly true of our noble band of State Superintendents. As they write me of their practical plans, so carefully and prayerfully thought out, it seems to me that we must have a great victory this year if each one will but do a little to open the way and help execute these plans.

The quarterly reports from Corresponding Secretaries are encouraging in many ways, though I regret that I did not receive a report from every one of the seventy-seven counties where our work was represented. But nine reports from organized counties were late. Every report received from counties where there is but one Union came in on time. This latter fact touched my heart, and I hope at the noontide prayer we will not forget those who stand like sentinels, alone.

Miss Amanda Turner, of Howard County, Miss Edna Maze, of Shelby County, Mrs. Elizabeth Rice, of Porter County and Mrs. J. W. Davidson, of Vanderburgh County, are the four County Corresponding Secretaries who succeeded in getting report from every Union in their counties and sending them in on time.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

South Bend Central perpetrated a unique surprise on their oldest member, Mrs. Doolittle, by presenting her with a very pretty comfort-bag, in which the members of the Union had each placed a gift, one gift to be taken out each day. Mrs. Doolittle has been a member of Central Union for more than twenty years.

So far as known, the North-East Union, of Indianapolis, was the first Union in the State to complete its program for 1902. The election of officers took place in September and the printed program was in the hands of every member by the first of October. This is an example well worth following. "Duty is doing the right thing at the right time."

Union County has increased its membership one-third since the State Convention, and the President writes that the dollar membership dues have been collected for each new member.

Vigo County reports a new Union at Terre Haute. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Emma Trail, 1506 South 16th street; Vice-President, Mrs. Josephine Pierson, 1700 South 18th street; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Swarthout, 703 South 17th street; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Parker, 1303 South 13½ street.

Read and Publish the Facts about Movement to Abolish Temperance Lessons in Sunday Schools. NEW VOICE, January 16, first page.



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## BURNED.

The residence of Mrs. Martha Hadley, one of the donors of the Hadley Industrial School, was burned on the night of January 21. Small insurance; almost everything destroyed.

Bishop Potter and Dr. Rainsford made remarkable speeches before the church club in New York. Bishop Potter declared that "prohibition is a fraud and a failure." Dr. Rainsford contended that the saloon is a democratic institution and that we "are up against the working people" when we attack it. About the W. C. T. U., Dr. Rainsford said: "They are good women, yet doing the devil's work." The Central W. C. T. U., of Cincinnati, reports the following resolution:

"In considering the remarks, *Resolved*, That we declare them to be malicious and un-Christian, a positive means of attacking all who are working for temperance or moral reform, knowing the saloon to be a cesspool of iniquity, the headquarters for 90 per cent of all crimes committed, a licensed ruin of souls that yearly fill 100,000 drunkards' graves. In 1900 the American people consumed 1,343,176,033 gallons of intoxicating liquors at a cost of \$1,157,748,245. This would give employment to 1,653,926 men at \$700 a year. From an economic point of view we appeal to these eminent divines to give a reason why the saloons are a positive need."

## SUPERINTENDENTS.

### PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

I wish through the MESSAGE to thank Amanda Turner, Howard County Corresponding Secretary, for the following items sent in soon after the State Convention, viz: The Howard County Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration is Mrs. Lydia Greenstreet, Sycamore. There are seven Unions in the county and three Local Superintendents of Peace and Arbitration, namely, Mrs. M. P. Scott, Greentown; Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore; Mrs. Mary M. Stout, New London. If such information could be sent from the other counties, it would be very helpful to me and I would try to make it helpful to workers in the department.

H LAVINIA BAILY,  
State Superintendent.

### MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, says: "I want, through the MESSAGE, to publicly thank the secretaries of Howard, Grant and Marion Counties for sending me a list of names of Superintendents of Mothers' Meetings. Let me suggest to other secretaries: 'Go thou and do likewise.' Let us be helpful one to another."

### LAW AND STATISTICS.

For Wayne County and Richmond the Superintendent of Law and Statistics made the following report at the County Convention, at Economy, for the year ending December 31, 1900: Number of saloons in the county, 61; license fees to the county, \$100 per saloon, \$6,100; license to national government, \$25 each, total \$1,525; paid for attorney's and official fees, each \$25, amounting \$1,525; amount of fine and forfeiture for school fund, \$800.86; number of persons in jail during the year, 467 (of these 36 were women); expense of prosecutions (approximately), \$4,670; number sent to State prison, 10.

Statistics of the city of Richmond for the year ending April 30, 1901: Number of saloons, 41; amount of licenses paid (less county and government fees), \$11,500; number of arrests for drunkenness, 348; arrests for selling liquor unlawfully, 41; for violating the cigarette law, 2; number of arrests for violation of the liquor law, 2; number of patrol calls, 225; entire cost of the liquor traffic of the city and county, \$20,950.

### FRANCHISE.

The State Superintendent of Franchise has offered a banner to the county which secures the most names over 500 to the enrollment petition by the first of September next. Also, a banner to the person who se-

cures the most names over the same number in the same time. The new work this year for suffrage extension is franchise debates. Every one interested in this line of work can create a great interest by taking the following resolution, and choosing sides, discuss: "Resolved, That old maids have done more to advance the cause of women in the last 50 years than all other people."

How many will try the discussion?

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## PURITY.

I am sending out a personal letter to each Superintendent whose name I have received. I have only about twenty-five names, though I have written to every County President for names of Purity Superintendents. Will not those who have charge of the Purity work send me their names as soon as possible, that I may write them? Dear sisters, though our work is of such vast importance and of such wonderful magnitude, I am sure we all feel like uniting in a supreme effort to make this year the most successful one of our organization, along this line of work. It seems to me that the keynote is purity in the home, and I am making this central thought the basis of all my personal work, both public and private. Though I have as yet received no instructions from our National Superintendent (and this has delayed my letters to my co-workers), I have not been idle. Since our State Convention I have given nine lectures in the interest of Purity and have distributed several thousand pages of literature.

I want to urge upon you the importance of securing a copy of the minutes of the last State Convention, that you may see the report of your department. Every W. C. T. U. worker should have a copy. Trusting that we may all take renewed courage and zeal and that the Lord may abundantly bless every effort put forth for the advancement of his kingdom in the earth,

RACHEL WEIMER McMAHAN,  
State Superintendent.

## PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

DEAR SISTERS—At our State Convention at Kokomo I was made your Superintendent of Purity in Literature and Art, but shortly after we moved into and took charge of the Spiceland Sanitarium, and in consequence of moving, the work of my department has been hindered, but now I am beginning to feel settled. I realize the necessity of pushing the work of this important and beautiful department to the uttermost.

I have written personally to every County President in the State requesting that each county appoint a Superintendent, but have received very few replies. I now appeal to every local Union and ask that you appoint a Superintendent and send me her address, that I may provide her with literature and directions how to proceed.

Dear sisters, I fear some of us do not appreciate the importance and the beauty of this department. Literature and art came into existence through creation and the cleaner and sweeter we keep it, the nearer we are to the life God would have us lead. There is an increase of crime in our land and the principal cause is said to be indecent literature. We have a good law in our State. If you do not know what it is, any lawyer will give you the opportunity to copy it. It is for us to see that this law is put into effect.

Give attention to the kind of literature handled by the train news agents wherever you go. If newsboys are selling books, papers or anything that is objectionable and the facts are made known to the heads of news agencies and railroads, the boys will be removed and black listed for offering such material for sale. News stands, hotels, barber shops and reading rooms may be cleansed of these things if we but give them our attention. It is stated that in one of our largest prisons obscene pictures have been placed upon the walls of the cells. Have these removed and replace them with those which will inspire only beautiful and pure thoughts.

All books, magazines and pictures that are helpful are appreciated by men on railroads, in reading rooms, prisons, jails and hospitals, and by missionaries, home and foreign. Therefore do not destroy good reading matter, but pass it on and when you are making up your annual missionary or hospital box or barrel, enclose your very best literature, that other lives may be brightened and broadened; and please be sure and make note of every item in the work, that we may report at the end of the year. While speaking of purity in literature, what could be more purely beautiful than our holy Bible? I would suggest that every local Union see that a sermon be preached on Bible as Literature and report same to me. In this way we are educating the masses in an appreciation for high and noble things. I have spoken of beauty in literature. Our department also includes beauty in art. I know of no better way to elevate the artistic standard than to recommend to our Unions the picture branch of our department.

I desire that we shall make a specialty of the picture branch this year. Its aims are to create such a love for the good and pure that no taste can be formed for portrayed evil; to help those who need help in their love for art, and to uplift those who are cast down. Miss Carolyn A. Leech, 1735 First street, Louisville, Ky., is our National Superintendent, and will furnish any one with beautiful pictures for 5 cents each and postage. These pictures are clear, distinct prints, mounted on medium or dark gray boards 10 x 7½ inches, tied with white ribbons all ready to

hang: They make beautiful gifts, or can be used as prizes or medals for excellence among both children and adults. They are not only beautiful for decorative purposes, but for parlor meetings, socials and the Y's, for art classes, societies, for kindergartens and schools and for hospitals, prisons and all charitable institutions. For illustrating the Life of Christ, what could be more beautiful than for the Unions of every County to have a picture of Hoffman's Christ in all the prison cells?

It is a known fact that two men have been converted simply through the presence of this picture of the Christ hanging in their cells.

What would more widely awaken the Temperance interest in children throughout the country than a large distribution of Miss Willard's pictures in the school room? They are also beautiful for home decoration.

How blessed are we of to-day, who for this small sum of 5 cents can place upon our walls copies of Raphael and Murillo, Rembrandt and Durer, Twiner, Landseer and Millet; also pictures of our American artists! Any one desiring a list of these pictures will receive one by applying to Miss Leech. How responsible we are if we do not improve these opportunities of placing the very best before our children and ourselves.

Sisters, I wish to impress it upon you to make the most of this opportunity. Will not every local Union immediately appoint a Superintendent of this department and send me the name?

Next month, with the permission of our Editor, I hope to place in these columns a copy of our State law for the promotion of purity in Literature and Art. Let us endeavor to make this one of the leading Departments of our work.

Yours for a pure life, a pure heart and a pure home,  
MRS. SUSAN F. BAILEY,  
State Superintendent.

## SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

By some mistake my list of questions was not revised on my Blanket Report Blanks, as I very much desired they should be. As the old list can aid me very little in making my reports to the National Superintendent, I send my revised list to the MESSAGE and desire my Superintendents to preserve the questions for future use.

Report of.....Union.

Name of Superintendent.....

1. How many meetings have you held this year with these men?
2. How many Comfort Bags sent?
3. How many boxes of articles of comfort given?
4. How many pages of literature distributed?
5. How many letters written to them?
6. How many have taken the pledge?
7. How many Christian Temperance Unions organized among them?
8. How many Bibles or Testaments given them?
9. Have you co-operated in any way with the G. A. R. or W. R. C. in celebrating Memorial Day, May 30? If so, how?
10. How many honorary members have you among the men?
11. How many clippings have you sent?
12. How many bouquets distributed in hospitals?

JULIA OVERMAN,  
State Superintendent.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

Mrs. Mary H. Hunt has prepared Scientific Temperance programs for local Unions and has offered the custody of a beautiful banner for one year to the State reporting the largest percentage of Unions having used these programs. The programs are entitled, "What Shall We Teach?" and "To What Extent and by What Methods Should Scientific Temperance be Taught in the Public Schools?" These programs may be had of Mrs. Hunt, 23 Hull street, Boston, Mass. All necessary material is issued with the programs. The first, "What Shall We Teach?" is 8 cents and the other 5 cents. These lessons will be helpful and inspiring, not only to our Unions, but to teachers as well, and we recommend to Unions to invite the public school teachers to take part with them in the meetings. Another banner will be given to the State whose report shows the second largest percentage. But we are working for the first. There is nothing dearer to us than our children. We greatly desire them to possess strong, beautiful, healthy bodies. They must live in these bodies as long as they stay in this world and they need to be taught how to take care of them, that the body may serve the mind well in this life and help them to come to the very best God has in store for them. There are no dangers which the children of this land need more to be warned against than those attending the use of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics. The W. C. T. U. has had this vision. Now, like Paul, let us say, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision."

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,  
State Superintendent.

## ANTI-NARCOTIC.

To teach the danger of using narcotics is the work of this department. To this end, then, let us inform ourselves. Secure some good reference books; take anti-narcotic papers; get the State and National Minutes and read the reports; interview physicians and educators and from personal knowledge form opinions and pass them on. Secure literature on the subject, study South Bend's plan described in the November



MESSAGE, and let us "go and do likewise." Send and get the pledge cards and pledge the boys against the use of tobacco, especially the deadly cigarette.

The National Superintendent offers a gold medal to the State that secures the greatest number of names of boys to the anti-cigarette pledge. The boy signs the pledge and coupon and the coupon is then sent to the State Superintendent of Anti-Narcotics.

While the manufacture of cigarettes has decreased, we should not be over confident, for the boys are now making their own cigarettes; and the number who are learning to use the pipe is increasing. So fight tobacco—fight it with every weapon to be secured. Hold anti-narcotic contests and use the proceeds for literature for your department.

And now, dear Superintendents, will you not please send me your names? I wish to correspond with you and the National Superintendent has something she wishes me to send you. But what can we do without your names? So thanking you in advance for your kindly responses, I am yours to serve to the best of my ability.

MRS. FLORA WOODARD,  
State Superintendent.

## MERCY.

DEAR SISTERS AND CO-WORKERS—The year 1902 has opened with all its limitless possibilities for good work or bad influences. On which side are we to stand? For good work I fancy I hear every Ribboner say. Well, let us look over the field of the Mercy Department. Are you going to work or will you be content to say you are in sympathy with it and then just as surely allow your influence to be bad. We cannot be inactive without a bad influence. I cannot comprehend the woman who allows herself to be made superintendent of a department and then for one year reports nothing done, or worse still, makes no report at all. "But the Mercy work is not exactly in line with the work of the W. C. T. U.," I hear some one say. I am moved just here to quote from the letter of instruction sent me this year by the World and National Superintendent, Mrs. Mary F. Lovell, as it expresses, better than I can, views which I have tried to present in various ways to your minds at our State Conventions.

She says: "I feel moved to begin my annual letter this year by speaking of a matter which has forced itself on my attention quite frequently of late, namely, the want of appreciation on the part of some of the workers of the real scope of this Department. It is not a W. C. T. U. branch for the prevention of cruelty to animals. Its aim is much higher. Its intent is to so promote the universal law of kindness as to become a part of the great regenerating force which is to elevate our race. As the common forms of cruelty are conspicuously inflicted on dumb creatures, and as our work deals primarily with the training of children, it is necessary to make prominent in our teaching the need of kindness to the brute creation, but the danger is of limiting it to that and the want of recognition of the necessity for all workers to set the example and enunciate the principle of universal kindness."

\* \* \* It becomes a serious loss or injury when the local workers withhold the actual statistics of their work. I felt it necessary to omit in my annual report this year all mention of public meetings, addresses and resolutions, because so few reported in figures, substituting many and several, terms which it is impossible to add up and make a sum total."

Dear sisters, read that quotation over twice and ponder over it. Does it not fully explain why the Mercy Department is placed with the group called evangelistic?

Get the January number of the MESSAGE, which of course you ought to keep on file, and look for Mrs. Lovell's premiums offered on first page. I also continue the offer I made last year—one dollar's worth of literature to the Superintendent reporting the largest number of sermons preached by ministers on the subject of mercy and kindness to the lower animals, and fifty cents' worth of literature to the Superintendent who sends me a list of 300 signers to the Bird Pledge. If, after requesting a minister to preach on this subject, he signifies his willingness, a Superintendent will send me his name and address, I will send him a roll of literature to assist him. Any one wanting the bird pledge can have it by sending to me for it.

Sisters, I pray the spirit of all good may so permeate your hearts and influence your desires that you will at once begin to work. If you have no Superintendent of Mercy, appoint one who will accept the trust prayerfully, and then let such reports flow in to your Superintendent that shall gladden her heart, and let not "many" and "several" be its burden, but good round numbers, so that when she reads her yearly report next year before the State Convention in her own home city, she may not have occasion to blush for shame.

Write to me, comrades, I am willing and anxious to help you and report every bit of work you do. Don't fail to give at least one Mercy Contest during the year and turn part of the money thus earned into the Mercy Work. Send to Mrs. Balch for mercy books. And now may God bless you in your work during the coming year is my earnest prayer.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

Women are admitted into full membership of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church by a two-thirds vote of all the annual conferences.

## PRESS PROGRAM.

### A PRESSING INVITATION TO A PRESS MEETING

The Press Superintendent has pressed into service many able persons, who will give expression to their views on the following subjects:

Paper—Why should the W. C. T. U. Utilize the Press?

Address—The People, the Customer, the Press, the Caterer.

W. C. T. U. News (a bulletin)

Recitation—The Editor's Trials.

Short Discussions—Personal reminiscences of how important news was received in olden times. To be given by some of the older editors. Music

Menu—Pressed Chicken, Newspaper Cake, Re[a]d Salad, Pressed Cream, Printers' Pie.

If you accept this pressing invitation and are present, the Press Committee Will C. T. U.

MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK,  
State Superintendent.

## NATIONAL SUPERINTENDENTS' PRIZES (CONTINUED.)

ANTI NARCOTIC DEPARTMENT. A Gold Medal to be awarded for the largest number of Anti-Tobacco Pledges signed by boys under 21 years of age. The Coupon Pledge cards must be used.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION. A Prize Banner to the State reporting the largest number of Unions using the Scientific Temperance Instruction Programs. A Second Banner for the next highest percent.

PEACE DEPARTMENT. A Prize Banner will be awarded for the largest number of subscribers to the Union Signal.

NORMAL INSTITUTES. A Prize Banner will be awarded to the State whose reports show the most thorough Institute work. A Star to the State sending the best report, the points considered being neatness, accuracy and completeness. An Honor Roll will be formed of the six States following the Star as a State, in the order of attainment.

WORK AMONG FOREIGNERS. 10,000 pages of literature will be given to the State buying the largest quantity of tracts and twenty-five per cent of every dollar's worth sold will be given to the State Superintendent for State work among foreigners.

## FROM THE AUBURN UNION.

Since the establishment of the Hadley Home, the Auburn Union has had a degree of interest in it; some of the ladies have been very much interested in it, and we have given it some financial aid each year; but for several years, when the reports came in from the State Convention, there has been a feeling of disappointment. So much time and energy has been taken from the real work of the Union in raising funds, yet we cannot meet the running expenses, and it has only been with persistent effort on the part of a few that we have kept up the interest sufficient to meet the financial demands upon our Union this year.

When we received the report of the last Convention and found that the Hadley Home was not able to meet their obligations this year, yet more girls were taken in, we felt constrained to submit the following questions, to be answered through the MESSAGE, not in a spirit of criticism, but that we might the better understand the conditions as they exist:

1. When we came out in debt with 24 girls, is it wise to accept 34?
2. Would it be better to limit the number of girls, and keep only as many as can be supported by the farm and individual donations?

While we are in an interrogative mood we will inquire into the seemingly growing custom of giving prizes and presents:

1. What is the object in giving prizes?
2. Do they not have a tendency to bring into the Union persons who have no interest in the work and who drop out in a short time and really injure the cause more than they benefit it?
3. Is it advisable to give costly presents to salaried officers when the treasury is in debt?

Very respectfully submitted.

AUBURN W. C. T. U.

[Presents given to individuals at our State Convention have been bought from free will love offerings only. No money from the State Treasury has been thus used.—EDITOR.]

## NEWS FROM ELKHART COUNTY.

On the evening of December 10th, last, Mrs. Florence Whiteman, of Nappanee, conducted a very successful Silver Medal contest under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. It was held at the M. E. Church. The receipts were over \$16. There were eight contestants.

The County President conducted a Silver Medal contest at Dunlap's. There were five contestants—four from Elkhart, one from Goshen. This was a silver-grey suffrage contest. Mrs. Amanda Kauffman, from Goshen, won the medal. After the contest, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins gave a lecture to the boys that came late, which so pleased them that they emptied their pockets of all their change for her.

The Goshen papers report a fine and entertaining lecture delivered by Rev. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, in the Christian Church, on "The Women of Fort Worth and Prohibition," to a well filled house.

Goshen, Elkhart and Nappanee are each preparing to give a Medal Contest in the near future.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

By request of Miss Hobart, I write a letter in regard to the school here. The old year has been linked with the endless chain of the past. New Year's day, with its new vows and aspirations, has been with us once more—that day when we look back on life's worn account book and with a mingling of regret and joy, lay it aside to turn the leaves of a new one, anxious to see what each page has in store for us. For, as Longfellow has said, "It is the mystery of the unknown that fascinates us." And it is to be trusted that with an equal interest the volume of Hadley School may be scanned as year by year it increases, and that each new leaf hold an added interest because of the sympathy and support we may have extended from time, for truly the motive that prompted Addison Hadley to organize such an institution was a most worthy one. All should be anxious to be co-workers and help carry forth the work begun, thus helping to prepare girls to meet the battle of life, for what can be sadder than to see a bright young girl, who, for the lack of an honest occupation, falls a prey to the seducer, who would rob her of that which she should prize most—her purity and virtue, which God has endowed her with, to be her blessing and not her curse?

At present there are thirty-eight girls enrolled in the school. The fourth floor being finished, makes it possible to take in eight or ten more girls. The rooms, though scantily furnished, were moved into just before the holidays. Christmas time is made much of here, for these children, separated from home and loved ones, appeal to us, and the Unions and all try to make the time as pleasant as possible. Boxes of presents came in time for us to have the tree Christmas night. After an entertainment by the children, the presents were given out, and to see how eagerly the bundles and boxes were opened brought back one's own childhood.

Among the donations for the use of the Home were a dozen window blinds, knives, forks, spoons, etc. Other donations have been received, but there are still many needs to be supplied. The walls need papering badly. A few persons, each giving a small amount, could get paper for one room, making the house appear more homelike.

The girls, when not in school or doing their duties, do a great deal of fancy work. Any one wishing some of this work should order some. The money would be used in buying something for the girls' rooms. Thanking the Unions for their kind donations and hoping that the interest in the Hadley School may ever be on the increase, I remain sincerely,

MRS. CLARA WELLS.

## FIELD NOTES.

St. Joseph County Executive Committee has arranged a series of public meetings. The first one was held January 16—a mothers' meeting. All Unions in the county were represented. Enthusiasm prevailed throughout the meeting. Good advertising resulted in a fine audience. The subject "Games and Amusements for the Home" was presented by our own State Superintendent of Flower Mission Work, Miss Mabel Jeffres, in a very practical and instructive manner. "A Moral Issue, Food, Drink and Dress" was presented by Mrs. Sharpless, of Chicago. Music was furnished by talented musicians. Several new members were added. The county will hold a department meeting January 30, at which time the Superintendents will organize into a Department Board. The County Superintendents have been admitted as members of the County Executive with the hope of advancing department work. On January 27th the Willard Memorial Y. will hold a winter picnic at Temperance Hall.

On the evening of January 3 our honored Delegate to the National, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, of Elkhart, gave us a very interesting and instructive account of the trip of the Indiana Delegation to Fort Worth and the doings of the Convention.

Kokomo—Recently the opening exercises of the Kokomo High School were under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Ida Mix, the local President, presided. The program was as follows: Scripture reading, Mrs. Hillis; prayer, Mrs. Hendry-Wootton; solo, "Lead, Kindly Light," Miss Edith Hillis; and papers by Miss Rebecca Trueblood and Mrs. Ida Mix, the latter concerning the life, character and work of Miss Frances E. Willard. At the conclusion of this paper, Mrs. Mix, on behalf of the State W. C. T. U. Convention, presented to the High School a beautiful life-size portrait of Miss Willard, handsomely framed in black and white. An engraved silver plate on the frame contained these words: "Presented to Kokomo High School by the Indiana W. C. T. U., October 7, 1901."

[The money for this picture was contributed by delegates to the State Convention and the order given for it at that time.—EDITOR.]

Newton County—Superintendents: Parliamentary Law, Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland; Press, Mrs. Sarah Mugg, Goodland; Narcotics, Mrs. Anna E. Currens, Goodland; Mercy, Mrs. Lottie Patton, Goodland; Literature, Mrs. Gertrude Peck, Goodland; Soldiers and Sailors, Mrs. Trissa E. Sapp, Goodland; Mothers' Meetings and Purity, Mrs. Euphemia Garrard, Morocco; Unfermented Wine, Mrs. Sarah Parsons, Morocco; Franchise, Mrs. M. C. McConnahey, Morocco; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Amanda Webber, Morocco; Law and Statistics, Mrs. Ida Moore, Morocco; Sunday School, Mrs. B. L. Archibald, Morocco; Evangelistic, Mrs. Emma Kessler, Morocco.

Salem Union has among its members our County President and five of the County Superintendents, to each of whom the Union furnished a copy of the State Minutes. Also, the Assistant Matron of the Hadley School, Miss Edna Pearl Menaugh, is a member of our Union. Her father, Mr. C. C. Menaugh, is the author of "The Progress of Woman in the 19th Century." By the way, his name is not given correct in the State Minutes. Last week we sent to the Hadley School a large box of clothing, spoons, knives, etc., donated by the different merchants of our town, of whom very few refused to give something. We had many things given by friends and members of the Union. We have another box of jellies and canned fruits to send as soon as the weather moderates. The members of the Union and all friends who would help gave a very interesting entertainment, consisting of music and recitations, which seemed to be enjoyed by all that were there. Although the weather was very bad we had a pretty good crowd and cleared a sum of money.



**South Marion Union's** program for 1902 is not only beautifully printed, but is comprehensive and indicates much aggressiveness. This Union is determined to help to bring Grant County membership up to 500, so that the county can send its own delegate to the National Convention at Portland, Me., next fall.

On the night of December 10 the Nappanee Union held a very successful Silver Medal Contest. The winner of the medal was Miss Dinah Frazier. All of the contestants did well.

**Sedalia and Burlington Unions** held a joint Gold Medal Contest at Middleport, New Year's night, in the Universalist Church. The program was good, but owing to the weather and distance some of the class had to come there were only four contestants. The Medal was awarded to Miss Grace Cleaver, to the satisfaction of all, on the piece entitled "Rum's Tragedies." Our work is gaining attention if we could get the church members aroused.

**Officers of Morocco Union:** President, Mrs. M. C. McConahey; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Parsons; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Handley; Superintendent, Evangelistic, Mrs. Emma Kessler; Superintendent Literature, Mrs. Emma Kessler; Superintendent Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Euphemia Garrard; Superintendent Purity, Mrs. Euphemia Garrard; Superintendent Franchise, Mrs. Amanda Webber; Superintendent Narcotics, Mrs. Ella Troxell; Superintendent Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Ida Moore. The Vice-Presidents of the churches are expected to be Superintendents of Sunday School work in their respective churches.

**Mrs. Mary D. Hendricks**, of Lebanon, writes: The temperance people are slowly but surely crowding the saloons out of our city. The Anti-Saloon League, assisted by the W. C. T. U., have accomplished some good work. Ten applications for licenses in the first ward have been defeated since February 1, 1901. The last saloon in the ward was closed in December. In one case the applicant went into court and was defeated before the County Commissioners and took change of venue to Clinton County and was defeated before the court in that County. The W. C. T. U. did some effective work in that trial.

**The Willard Memorial Y.**, of South Bend, held a very pleasant and profitable meeting, Friday evening, January 10, at Temperance Hall. A good program had been prepared, several musical selections, and Mrs. Katie Wert Holler gave a very pleasing and instructive talk on "What the W. C. T. U. is doing." The Y's have been holding a membership contest, which will close the first week in February with a banquet given by the defeated side. They expect to gain many new members. The Y's are also arranging to hold a medal contest about the first of February.

**Hadley School** is now enjoying perfect health, with forty girls on the roll. This is as many as can be accommodated at one time in this school. The fourth floor is now the most inviting part of the dwelling. Furnishings are not complete, but so far as they go, are comfortable. Our dear Aunt Martha (Mrs. Addison Hadley) surprised us recently by presenting a check for \$330.96. It is an inspiration to look into her dear, sweet face and hear her encouraging words of loyalty regarding this home. So far but five Unions have responded to the new law for sending the school the net proceeds from Medal Contests during the first quarter. We hope this is only deferred till second quarter.

**Miami County.** Mrs. Ridgeway, the President of Miami County, writes: "Personally I have held eight Silver and three Gold Medal Contests since the State Convention."

**White County.** This county bids fair to make a large gain in membership this year. The Corresponding Secretary sends the encouraging word that they have gained seventeen paid Y's in this quarter.

## W. C. T. U. INSTITUTES.

### PROGRAM.

10:00. Semi-annual Business Session of County Convention as arranged by County Executive or an Open Parliament.

### AFTERNOON.

2:00. Music. Invocation. Organization of Institute. Announcement of Secretaries, Reporters, Committees on Courtesies, Accessions to Membership, Subscriptions to Periodicals and other Literature.

2:30. Opening Words—Institute Leader.

### MUSIC.

2:50. God's Plan of Finance—Superintendent of Proportionate Giving. Discussion.

"They that are of the Spirit (do mind) the things of the Spirit."

3:05. Literature—Presentation of Periodicals and other helps indispensable to our work—The *Union Signal*, State paper, *School Physiology*, *Journal*, *Young Crusader*, *American Mother*, etc. Superintendent of Literature. Discussion—Leader and others.

3:35. Opening of Subscription Lists. Committee on Periodicals.

4:00. Music, Announcements, Prayer, Adjournment.

### EVENING.

7:30. Music. Devotional Services—County President.

7:45. An Address or an illustrated Lecture by the Institute Leader or other State or National Worker, or a Social Evening with a Short Literary Program. A Silver Offering (See State Minutes 1901), Special Music, Invocation.

### SECOND DAY—MORNING.

9:00. Singing. Devotional Services by an Executive Member.

9:15. Round Table on Department Work. Department Superintendents each to give a ten minutes drill, or otherwise present their work. Discussion to follow each presentation. Departments—Mercy, Peace and Arbitration, Household Economics.

9:55. State and National Plans and interests to be emphasized this year, including State Finance, "The Frances E. Willard Memorial Fund for Organization, The Study of Books and Periodicals Necessary to Our Work, Legislative Work, etc. Leader. Discussion.

10:15. A Call to Young Women. How Can the Honoraries Help? Superintendent of Y. Work or Local President. Discussion.

10:35. Expediency of an L. T. L. with an Anti-Tobacco Department and Pledge. Superintendent of L. T. L. Work or of Anti-Narcotics. Discussion.

10:55. "What Has the W. C. T. U. Accomplished?" Institute Leader. Discussion. Music.

11:20. Preliminary Steps to the Organization of a W., a Y. or an L. T. L. Local or County President. Discussion.

11:35. Give Specific Directions for arranging for a County Convention, also for a County Institute. County President, by a talk, a paper, or a Class Drill on the duties of the different officers to such meetings. Discussion. Music. Announcements.

12:00. Benediction.

### SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

2:00. Evangelistic Symposium. Devotional Services. Superintendent Evangelistic Work. Text—Speaking the Truth in Love—Eph. 4-15.

The subdivisions of the following symposium topic each to be presented by a ten minutes' paper or talk.

Topic—What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and the Tobacco Habit?

(a) By the Churches. Presented by a Minister.

(b) By the Schools. School Superintendent or Teacher or Superintendent Scientific Temperance Instruction.

(c) By the Young People's Church Societies. The President or a member.

(d) By Business Men. A Business Man.

(e) By the Sunday Schools. Sunday School Superintendent or Teacher.

(f) By the Press. An Editor or W. C. T. U. Press Superintendent.

(g) By the Medical Profession. A Physician or W. C. T. U. Non-Alcoholic Medication Superintendent.

(h) By the Women. A voter or W. C. T. U. Franchise Superintendent.

(i) By the Reform Organizations. The President or other representatives.

How to Stand for What is Exalted in Citizenship. A Citizen or a Woman (?)

A brief discussion to follow each presentation or a Question Box and general discussion to be given at the close.

Watch Word—"The only burden of their speech, one word, eternity."

Consecration Prayer. Hymn. Special Music.

4:25. Announcements, Benediction.

### CONTEST EVENING.

7:30. Music. Devotional Services, conducted by a Y. member. Special Music. Oratorical Contest, as arranged by Local and State Superintendents of the Department. Invitation to the audience for membership while the judges prepare their report. Institute Leader. Report of judges. Special Music. Benediction.

Subjects for Contest—Non-Alcoholic Medication or Anti-Narcotics.

The Parliamentary Drill to be given by the Leader directing the proceedings throughout the session, according to accepted usage.

### TOPICS FOR OPEN PARLIAMENT.

National Legislation, including the Canteen, Polygamy, the Protection of Native Races and the Necessity for Prohibition in the Indian Territory. Relation of the W. C. T. U. to other Organizations Hadley Industrial School. Department Round Table. Relation of Temperance to Labor. Sunday School Work. School Savings Banks. Purity. Mothers' Meetings. Police Matron. Purity in Literature and Art. Railway Employees. Jail and Prison Work. Work among Soldiers, Sailors, Miners. Fairs. Flower Mission Work. Summer Assemblies. Franchise. Unfermented Communion Wine.

### SUBJECTS FOR THE EVENING MEETING.

1. The Side Lights of the Temperance Question. Mrs. Rose Pearce.
2. The Twentieth Century Boy—What Should He Be? Mrs. Rose Pearce.
3. What or Who is my Authority? Mrs. Mary E. Balch.
4. The Great Transgression. Miss Alice R. Palmer.
5. The Problem of the Nations. Miss Alice R. Palmer.
6. The Effects of Alcoholic and other Narcotic Poisons on the System (Illustrated by Charts.) Miss Mary Hadley.
7. Mission Work (Home and Foreign) and the Liquor Traffic. Miss Mary Hadley.

MARY HADLEY,

Superintendent National and Indiana Institutes, Bloomington, Indiana.

Bring a pencil, a tablet, a Bible and a White Ribbon Hymnal.

## INSTITUTE PERSPECTIVE—A PLAIN TALK WITH THE WORKERS.

What victories shall we plan for our spring Institutes? Just about what we promptly and fully decide to do, we'll do. Haven't you found it so? And do you believe the declaration that "Whatever it is necessary to have done is possible to do?"

At our last series of Institutes a long sought and most desirable victory came to us in the way of a beautiful and helpful County Roster prepared by each County President for her county. Let the Roster be revised and kept up to date by such changes as occur in office, membership, special work, etc., and thus it will be as a map growing increasingly beautiful by every advancement made and every touch of your pencil, and helpful to the work because it shows relatively the work done, the work to be done and the workers enrolled (or that must be enrolled) for the service.

Now glance across your Roster to the column marked "Number of Messages taken" and you are delighted to find that the number equals your paid membership and with Mrs. Balch, as given in her letter in last week's *Union Signal*, you "sympathize with other States which have not as yet tried our sure way of a paying State paper and an intelligent membership."

Now look at the column marked "Number of *Union Signals* taken;" you blush and turn away and then grow faint, and conclude that you have symptoms of heart failure. You saw at a glance by the footing that the number of *Signals* taken does not equal the number of officers of your local Unions. You at first refused to look at the column marked "Number of county officers taking the *Signal*." But you have decided to confront the whole situation and thus completely revise this part of your roster and we have decided to help you.

You will call to mind that the *Signal* has been improved and the annual subscription price increased to \$1.50. But we are pleased to announce that subscriptions at our Institutes will be accepted at the reduced rate of \$1.25 for a year's subscription.

We have this to propose, trusting it may be an encouragement to the workers and of real value to the work. Every local president, or any other worker, who will bring to the Institute 10 or more paid subscriptions to the *Union Signal* at \$1.25 each, will receive the beautiful life size aquarelle tint picture of Miss Willard, the one which appears so well in school rooms or lecture rooms and for which many of us paid \$1.00 and promptly ordered a second copy for a friend.

These subscriptions may be either new names, or renewals, or both. All will count on your list. But don't fail to mark them old or new as the case may be, and don't forget that you can send the *Signal* to your ministers for 50 cents each, or to a reading room or library for the same price. Three 50 cent subscriptions will count one on your list of 10 or more.

If you cannot get the 10 names all before coming to the Institute, bring as many as you can and try to complete your list from your membership there. You will at least be favored with the reduced rate.

If all Local Unions succeed with their list of ten (or more) subscribers at usual or even unusual rates for the pictures, you see the Institute Leaders must stand for a good many dollars for the premiums offered.

But don't get alarmed about this. The State will not be asked to stand for the expense and I really believe your leaders would like to be bankrupt on a proposition which would mean at least three or four thousand new readers for our grand national and world's organ, the *Union Signal*, and a growth in intelligence, enthusiasm and permanency in our work which cannot be estimated.

Mother National would have no banner to offer equal to our case, and the W. T. P. A. would surely have to make a little bow to us.

What say you, dear local workers, will you go to work at once and make the list of ten (or more)? Don't it seem a little thing to do compared with our great need, great faith and the great victory which it will bring to us along main lines? I am yours for the kind of bankruptcy indicated.

Some Unions have done this. After forwarding all county, State and State paper dues and meeting all other demands, they have looked into their treasury and found a little money there and have decided it could be best used by making a present of one-half of an annual subscription to the *Signal* to all of its members or to as many as would accept it and pay the other half.

The Unions referred to have rejoiced in the fruits of their plan. Each Union can find the plan best adapted to its needs.

Others of our periodicals and also books and other literature necessary to our work will no doubt be offered at Institutes at special rates which we are not now prepared to announce.

If a social service should be decided on for the first evening, as provided for by the plan for this year (see State Minutes, page 68) let it be simple but thoughtfully worked out in minutest detail and with reference to interesting those outside of our ranks and a pleasant, instructive time for every one. Our honoraries should not be forgotten. The Leader might help by a very brief, cheery, informal talk relative to our work.

Good music, including some special music along our lines, would be appreciated and helpful.

Refreshments, if any, should be light. The young people should be invited and used in some of the many ways in which they can so acceptably contribute to a pleasant and profitable evening and with a view to enlisting them in our work.

It has been thought best to give the entire afternoon of the last day meeting to an Evangelistic Service, touching our work vitally and practically from the gospel standpoint, and that of the many interests represented.

Things to think about, pray for and work for:

1. The consecration service just spoken of (see program.)
2. A well prepared contest—on time.
3. A new Union, a Y. and an L. T. L.
4. A neighbor or friend you would like to enlist in the work.
5. A wide and enthusiastic advertisement of the Institute.
6. A good advance subscription list for the *Union Signal*, large enough at least to secure a premium.
7. A well filled program with the county membership out to hear it and take a part.
8. Ourselves always abounding in this great work for humanity to which we have pledged our faith and plighted our love and loyalty; with a consecration which says "What I can do I ought to do and what I ought to do by the grace of God I will do." With confidence and expectation.

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent National and Indiana Institutes.

### IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. ELIZABETH CURRY was called from labor to reward November 1, 1901. She was one of the Crusaders and one among the first W. C. T. U. members. She was loved and esteemed by all who knew her. We bow in submission to our heavenly Father's will, believing our loss is her eternal gain.

MRS. MARY MCFARREN departed this life October 25, 1901. She was a kind and loving wife and mother and a faithful member of the W. C. T. U. While we miss her from among us here, we believe she has gone to the mansion prepared for her in our Father's house on high.



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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

DEAR PRESIDENTS AND CO-WORKERS—As Nature is bringing new life to what seemed dead through the long winter months and planning new beauty for each little leaf and flower, and each little atom of beauty is getting ready to join the great chorus of praise to our Father in Heaven for the glad spring time, let each one of us do our part, so that perfect harmony will make the anthem more blessedly sweet to Earth and more joyful to Heaven. If any Union has been dormant through the winter, let it take on new strength now. I am believing the Institute will help every one to have broader views and grander thoughts concerning our organization and serve as a helping hand to every sincere woman to find her place in our ranks. While I meet with many dear sisters who are doing more of our work than their strength warrants, I am also convinced that there is no task so irksome as that one that brings with it the consciousness that the work I am doing will help no one to a better life, and no service so sweet as doing good to others. So nearly as I can comprehend our duty as a State, our present

vetoed the anti-tobacco law; as Attorney-general he nullified the anti-canteen law, and he left President McKinley's Cabinet to become attorney for a whisky ring.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Goshen Y. was the first to send in their second quarterly report blank, and it was well filled. Just think of it, 70 attending next to the last meeting!

Anderson Y. will have a debate on the 24th between the Y. W. C. T. U. and a member of the Y. M. C. A. Have you arranged for the debates as planned in the State program?

The Anderson Y. held a meeting in North Anderson for women. The meeting was well attended and much interest taken.

How many of the Y. Unions have held Contests this year? If you have not, I urge you to arrange for one soon.

The Y. Secretary is in Wayne County at this time, from the 15th to the 22d, hoping to secure some new members for the Y. W. C. T. U. Indiana must bring up their membership this year. Will you help?

our country and the world, let us gird on our armor and prepare for a peaceful warfare. We desire the help, not only of all our Sunday School Department workers, but also all White Ribboners, leading Sunday School workers, ministers and every one who will volunteer to co-operate with us.

Beloved comrades, I am sure you are all in line and waiting for your marching orders. First to State Superintendents: Ascertain at once when and where the next State Sunday School Convention will be held. If held before June 20 have the following memorial presented by some influential worker who will champion our cause:

WHEREAS, The evil of intemperance prevails to an alarming extent in our land; and

WHEREAS, the Church has a duty to perform in keeping youth unsullied by such evil; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the wish of this Convention that no change shall be made in providing the Quarterly Temperance Lesson.

Report results to me. Also, secure and send to me the names and addresses of all officers of the State Association, all prominent Sunday School workers in the State, and especially all delegates elected to the Denver Convention. The latter information must come from Local Superintendents. County and District Superintendents are asked to act in accordance with the same instructions in their respective fields, reporting to their State Superintendents.

To the local Superintendents and to all local Unions having no Superintendents we turn with urgent requests for co-operation. Dear Local Presidents, will you not attend to this work at your next meeting? Appoint a superintendent or a committee who will follow the directions given for local work. March 23 is our next Temperance Sunday. We should make the day count for our cause. Let the temperance lesson be announced in advance by sending each School Superintendent a kind letter and our circular containing the list of temperance lessons for the year. Enclose also our Quarterly Blackboard Exercise. Let every Sunday School teacher also receive the helpful Quarterly Leaflet published by the Department. These will help to emphasize the temperance lesson, and, with the pledge signing which should be done, the day will be marked for temperance. Send to me for above named materials. Circulars, 20 cents per 100; Blackboard Exercises, 2 cents, or 50 cents per 100; Leaflets and Pledge Cards, 25 cents per 100.

The imperative work for March 23 is to present the following resolution in every Sunday School where it is not already presented:

WHEREAS, We feel the deep importance of training our youth in the principles of Righteousness, Temperance and Purity, giving them both the Gospel and Science as a reason for this hope which we strive to implant in their lives; and

WHEREAS, The Sunday School is the agency through which the Church influences and instructs the young; therefore,

Resolved, That as Sunday School teachers and officers we advocate the continuance of the Quarterly Temperance Lesson in the International Sunday School Lesson System, recognizing the same as one of its essential features.

Send all signatures to my associate, Mrs. Dora B. Butts, 154 Western Ave., Albany, New York. We urge this effort, desiring to increase the number of signatures to at least 30,000 before the Denver Convention. Please do not fail to do this work on March 23. We desire the support of the Christian ministers. In nearly every city there is a Ministerial Association. Let Local Superintendents or W. C. T. U. Committees visit these Ministerial Unions and present the above resolutions, with such modifications as will adapt it to such use. Secure the signature of every Minister of the Gospel everywhere, with the name of the denomination represented, and send same to my associate. We desire that the above or a similar resolution shall be presented at all denominational conferences, assemblies or church councils which may be held within the reach of our White Ribboners. Report all results to me.

Three months yet remain in which to accomplish the above specified work. Let this work have your first thought, your very best effort, to the end that we may convince Sunday School leaders that the Christian world values the quarterly temperance lesson and desires that it shall be retained in the International Lesson series.

While we labor, let us pray earnestly that the Holy Spirit will move upon the hearts of Christian people everywhere to give us their sympathy and support. Let us have faith in God, our Father, believing that He will overrule all things to His own glory and the advancement of His cause of Temperance. Remember, however, that "Faith without works is dead" and only loyal service will be rewarded with victory.

MRS. STELLA B. IRVINE,  
National Sup't Sunday School Department.  
ST. PAUL, MINN.

## INDIANA'S ANTI-CIGARETTE LAW.

APPROVED MARCH 6, 1897.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,* That it shall hereafter be unlawful in the State of Indiana for any corporation, company, firm or person to sell, barter, furnish or give away, directly or indirectly, to any minor, any cigarette, cigarette wrappers or any substitute for either; or to procure for, or to persuade, advise, counsel or compel any child under said age to smoke any cigarette.

**SEC. 2.** Any such corporation, company, firm or person violating any of the provisions of the preceding section shall, for the first offense, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not more than fifty dollars, nor less than ten dollars; and for a second and any subsequent offense, such corporation, company, firm or person shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in any sum not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars, and to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail, for any period not exceeding sixty days. It is hereby made the special duty of Prosecuting Attorneys to enforce the provisions of this act, and he may summon any minor who may have or have had in his possession any cigarettes, and compel him to testify before the Mayor of a city or a Justice of the Peace as to where and of whom he obtained such cigarettes.

**SEC. 3.** All laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are repealed.

work should be to do our part in circulating petitions for signatures, that we may ask all who will join us in a protest against any action to leave out in the future the Temperance Lesson in the International Sunday School lesson helps. While these lessons are very far from being all that we could wish, they are much better than none.

Let us also use our best efforts to turn the Search Light of Truth on the Department of Inspection of our unfortunate sisters of Manila and other cities of the Philippines, that try to turn aside the wrath of God from those that lead an impure life, and thus help to debase our soldiers in those places—to insult our Christian nation. We have sent out to County Presidents Information and Petition blanks concerning the dangers I have referred to, knowing, if the signatures are secured, it will take time, energy and patience. But my sincere prayer is that our efforts may be rewarded by success.

Yours, hopefully,  
EUNICE P. WILSON.

## IMPORTANT LEGISLATION.

Every Union should send a protest at once against the appointment of John W. Griggs to the Supreme Court. Embody the following objections in a concise letter, have it endorsed by the Union and as many business men as possible and send to our senators and representatives. As Governor of New Jersey he

Plans are made by Miss Della Mae Connett, Ohio Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary, to spend five days in Indiana in May. We hope much good may be done and new Y.'s organized through this effort.

In the May MESSAGE I will publish a list of the Unions that sent in their quarterly report blanks, etc.

Pray for our work, girls, please, and do all you can to secure us new members, and let us double our membership.

Lovingly,  
CLARA M. SEARS,  
Y. Secretary.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

Doubtless you have learned of the effort that it is feared will be made at the Denver International Sunday School Convention to eliminate the quarterly temperance lesson from the Sunday School lesson series. The alarm has been sounded and now I want the bugle call from the Sunday School Department to be heard throughout the length and breadth of our country summoning our army of Sunday School temperance workers to the front. You well know what the loss of the temperance lesson will mean to the cause of temperance and to the millions who are now receiving more or less of Bible temperance instruction. If we must battle to maintain that which Frances Willard foresaw would be a powerful agency in establishing temperance and purity among the youth of



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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1901-1902

President—Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount.

Vice-President—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.

Treasurer—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

### BRANCH SECRETARIES.

General Secretary Young Woman's Branch—Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 West 14th street, Anderson.

General Secretary L. T. L. Branch—Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

## ANNUAL SERMON.

While pastor of the First Baptist church in this city, Dr. Ellison preached a sermon for the W. C. T. U. once a year. This he had announced upon the church bulletin as the W. C. T. U. annual sermon. A collection for the W. C. T. U. work was taken at the close of the service. Dr. Ellison urged that this collection should be generous, speaking for it himself. It usually amounted to twenty dollars or more.

Every Union should, if possible, get at least one minister to make such arrangement. Great good would result in the increased interest in our cause by the church. Later other churches would no doubt take it up and the entire community become interested.

Morgan County directory is a credit to its splendid membership. May the W. C. T. U. banner continue to wave there until in every community there may be a band of White Ribboners through whose influence the time may speedily come when the saloon will go.

## PURITY IN LITERATURE AND ART.

This month I send out another appeal to you to appoint Local and County Superintendents for the promotion of Purity in Literature and Art. I have replied to every Superintendent already appointed, sending them suggestions and literature. I beg that you will respond to my call this month. Why, we have one of the most attractive and important departments in the W. C. T. U!

In the next number of the MESSAGE I wish to publish a program for a meeting to be devoted to the subject of Purity in Literature and Art. Cannot each Union take this up and give at least one meeting to this wonderful work? It is so inspiring to know that the work of this department is not only for the "now," but for eternity, and these exalted standards of Literature and Art that we are holding before the young will result in future men and women of pure hearts and high ideals. Have you sent to Miss Leech for any of those beautiful pictures of which I spoke in the last MESSAGE? You do not know how much you are missing if you have not.

Please let me hear from every county which has not already reported before next month. You will see below our State law upon this subject. I hope everyone will read it carefully and after becoming familiar with it you will see that it is being enacted wherever you are.

Yours for an elevated home life,  
SUSAN F. BAILY.

### DISPOSING OF OBSCENE LITERATURE.—91.

Whoever sells or lends or offers to sell or lend, or gives away or offers to give away, or in any manner exhibits or has in his possession, with or without intent to sell, lend, or give away, any obscene, lewd, indecent, or lascivious book, pamphlet, paper, drawing, lithograph, engraving, picture, daguerreotype, photograph, stereoscopic picture, model, cast, instrument, or article of indecent or immoral use, or instrument or article for procuring abortion or for self-pollution, or medicine for producing abortion or preventing conception; or advertises the same or any of them for sale; or writes or prints any letter, circular, hand-bill, card, book, pamphlet, advertisement, or notice of any kind; or gives information orally, stating how, when, where, or by what means, or of whom, any of the obscene, lewd,

indecent, or lascivious articles or things hereinbefore mentioned, can be purchased, borrowed, presented, or otherwise obtained, or are manufactured; or manufactures, or draws or exposes, or draws with intent to sell, or have sold, or prints any such articles or things, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than ten dollars, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail not more than six months nor less than ten days; but nothing in this section, or in the next two sections, shall be construed to affect teaching in regularly chartered medical colleges, or the publication of standard medical books, or the practice of regular practitioners of medicine, or druggists in their legitimate business.

### SENDING OBSCENE LITERATURE.—92.

Whoever deposits in any post-office in this State, or places in charge of any person to be carried or conveyed, any lewd, obscene, indecent, or lascivious book, paper, pamphlet, drawing, lithograph, engraving, picture, daguerreotype, photograph, stereoscopic picture, model, cast, instrument or article of indecent or immoral use, or instrument or article for procuring abortion or for self-pollution, or medicine for procuring abortion or preventing conception; or any circular, hand-bill, card, advertisement, book, pamphlet, or notice of any kind; or gives oral information, stating when, where, how, or of whom such articles or things or any of them can be purchased or otherwise obtained; or knowingly receives the same or any of them, with intent to carry or convey the same; or knowingly carries the same except in the United States mail, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars nor less than five dollars, to which may be added imprisonment not more than six months nor less than ten days.

The sending of obscene letters comes within the provisions of this section. *Thomas vs. State*, 103 Ind., 419.

In a prosecution for sending an obscene letter it may be proven that the letter and address is in the handwriting of the accused. *Thomas vs. State*, 103 Ind., 419. (Acts 1895, p. 230. In force June 28, 1895.)

### PERNICIOUS LITERATURE OR PICTURES.—1.

That it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, or offer for sale, or to print or publish, or to bring into this State for the purpose of selling, giving away, or otherwise disposing of, or to circulate in any way, any paper, book, or periodical, the chief feature or character of which is the record of the commission of crime, or to display by cut or illustration crimes committed, or the acts or pictures of criminals, desperadoes, or of men and women in lewd and unbecoming positions or improper dress.

### PENALTY FOR VIOLATING ACT.—2.

That any person guilty of violation of this Act shall be fined not less than ten dollars and not more than two hundred dollars (1881, S., p. 174. In force September 19, 1881.)

## FLOWER MISSION.

Spring is coming, and soon it will be much easier to find the flowers for our work. I suppose each Superintendent is planning for her flower beds or thinking how she may have the best flowers to use in this department during the coming summer weather.

We must improve the time during the warm weather, for it is then that this Department can do the best work. I hope we will improve every opportunity to do this work, and then, dear sisters, I do hope each one will be very careful about reporting what she has done.

If any of the Superintendents are wanting literature in this Department, or text cards, they can get them by sending to the State Superintendent, or to Ethel Austin Shrigley, National Superintendent.

MABEL R. JEFFERIES,  
State Superintendent.

South Bend.

## PRESS.

My heart is made glad by the excellent reports which are coming to me at the close of this the second quarter, but I regret to know that so few of our women are subscribers to the *Union Signal*. To be an efficient and intelligent worker in the W. C. T. U. without the *Union Signal* is like trying to run a locomotive without water. To do the best work in our Local Unions first, county second and so on, we must be posted on the work; we must read and keep in touch with our sister workers; we must know what is being done and what is to be done; we must keep up with the times. Our Unions have the right to expect of us our very best work, and the *Union Signal* coming to our homes each week will help us wonderfully in doing our best. What is worth doing at all is worth doing well. A number of questions concerning clippings and what to do with them, have come to me of late. In the January MESSAGE you will find in the press article full directions for saving and reporting all clippings. If you have lost your MESSAGE, borrow one of a sister long enough to read the article.

I would gladly reply to each one of you personally if I had the time and strength to do so. Owing to my recent illness I am unable to do the work which I had hoped to do, but with your help and prayers the work will go on and the last half of the year will see much more work done than the first half.

Keep your work before the public in an interesting, attractive way; report your meetings and let the people know what you are doing. It is a very encour-

aging fact that we are gaining favor with the newspaper men and they receive our notices and items gladly and willingly. With an earnest prayer that you will do your best in the very best way and that we may see splendid results from our work, I am,

Yours for the Press,

LAURA GENEVA CAMMACK,  
State Superintendent.

Converse.

## JAIL AND PRISON DEPARTMENT.

I shall in a few hours leave my home to go to the hospital, where the physicians tell me they can (they hope) restore me to health or at least relieve me of my suffering. My thoughts go out to you at this moment as never before. I may go very near to "The Valley of the Shadow," yet I know your prayers will go with me. I know you will go on with this work that lays so near your hearts. You will go on and on. Arbor Day will soon be here. Can we not arrange to observe it in our Department? Our jails and poor asylums are oft-times so barren and devoid of all natural beauty as well as in architectural design. Our work in this line will grow and grow, and we may, by means of some flower, shrub or plant that mother loved and planted in the childhood home, bring some soul back to Mother, home and heaven. Then, let us use the means at hand.

Get the consent of your County Commissioners to plant a tree or two in your jail, poor asylum or courthouse yard; if there are unsightly fences or walls, cover them with vines or morning glories; if a bare spot in the yard or in a corner, there plant flowers. I know, dear Editor, you will indulge me for this once to tell of my success in my own county. We (the W. C. T. U.) were on the Fair grounds; the fair was over, all packing up to leave; the beautiful cut flowers from Horticultural Hall had been given to me. There were several hundred horsemen on the grounds. I sat alone watching our "Mothers' Rest" until some moving van should come, when one of the horsemen came to me and said, "I want to ask a favor of you. It has been many, many years since I saw my childhood's home, but when I passed here this morning and saw these beautiful flowers, there came back to me the happy boyhood days, and a longing to be what mother wanted me to be in the sunny, happy days when we planted the morning glory vines beside the log-cabin door. The sight of these flowers have brought to my heart and brain the childhood, the mother's love and yearning, and, alas, the thought that I have wandered far, far from her teachings and from God. This little flower has stayed up wandering, erring steps, and I will try to follow Him to where mother is."

Our Flower Mission Superintendent came just then. *God sent her.* We took the flowers that I had planned to distribute otherwise and with a prayer that they might fulfill their mission, we distributed them among the horsemen, and out of that grew the thought to send the flowers—God's beautiful thought—to carry the message to those shut in who had wandered into sin. We secured permission of the Sheriff to plant flowers in the jail yard and to cover up all unsightly places with vines. It improved the appearance so much that the County Commissioners gave \$10.00 and the Sheriff \$5.00 to further beautify our jail last summer.

I was requested to accompany the sheriff's wife to the greenhouse to select the flowers and now it is a fixed thing in our county. An appropriation is made for the flowers. Last summer it was \$35.00 and our county jail has one of the most beautiful lawns in the city. The prisoners take great pride in caring for it. What was once a square of cinders, tin cans, waste of all kinds, is now a beautiful green lawn where flowers bloom and vines run riot throughout all the summer day. Arrange to hold services in the jail on that day—a mothers' meeting, so that some wandering boy may know what we are doing for some other mothers' boy. Let each mother give a little talk, read a poem, sing some of the sweet old ballads (in themselves a story) which our grandmothers taught us, such as "We shall meet, but we shall miss him," and "Under the Greenwood Tree," and above and before all, the precious promises, or arrange a little program for the L. T. L. and let them assist the mothers in planting the trees or shrubs. Each Superintendent can arrange according to local conditions, and God will abundantly bless every effort. The teachers in the public schools will gladly assist you in planting the trees, especially in the court house yard. Many of them having beautiful programs for the day, you can make it a most potent object lesson for temperance. Have the children and the mothers plant a tree.

ANNIE E. PALMATEER,  
State Superintendent.

Terre Haute.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR EVANGELISTIC SUPERINTENDENTS.

It hardly seems possible that we have almost come to the time for our second quarter's report, but so it is, and there are some things that I am very anxious that you should remember. In reporting your work, please be definite. Some, many, almost all, etc., cannot be counted. Much good work is lost to the State and National because not properly reported. I was greatly disappointed last quarter because so few Unions reported. The following counties were heard from: Allen, 1 report, Benton 2, Clay 1, Grant 3, Marion 4, Martin 1, Miami 1, Morgan 2, Newton 1, Tippecanoe 1, Vermillion 1, Washington 1, Wayne 1—only 20 unions reporting. I am sure there are many more unions doing evangel-



istic work. Please, dear co-workers, let me hear from you. I sent copies of my Plan of Work to sixty-seven counties last year. Did the County Superintendents send these copies to the Unions? I have sent personal letters with a copy of Plan of Work to all Superintendents reporting that they were not supplied. Any County or Local Superintendent not supplied should send to me for a copy and I will promptly and gladly supply you. At the State Convention I took the names of several workers who desired copies, intending to send them upon my arrival home. If I have failed to supply all who requested copies sent, please advise me. After you have answered all the questions on the blanks sent you (omitting question 5), please turn to the questions in Plan of Work and answer all not printed on the Report blank. That the Heavenly Father may "bless you and make you a blessing" is the prayerful desire of your co-worker,

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

Richmond.

### WILL HADLEY SCHOOL LIVE? WILL IT BE SELF-SUPPORTING?

In reply to the first question I must answer; it certainly will live and do a noble work for the girls who call it "home."

It was founded in prayer and every plan for its advancement is prompted by benevolent ideas of Christian workers. It has had severe struggles with adverse opinions, proclaimed by the fainting few. But there is loyalty enough to hold it at present and a growing element will be found in the L. T. L.'s of Indiana that will never see it fail. Its growth is not rapid, but each year finds it ahead of previous years in some respects. It has never yet been run on strictly business principles. The greater part of the buying must be done on credit, without the assurance of prompt payment. This is a very unpopular method, as it often loses us friends and we must buy at higher rates. This could be remedied by each individual, composing the organization, paying a small annual amount at stated intervals, or by complying with the law requiring Unions to hold contests and send net proceeds to the school. There are two Unions in Indianapolis which feel it a duty and privilege to send \$12.00 per year toward its support, equal to \$1.00 per month from each Union. The more the organization does toward its support, the stronger friends it will have outside.

The second question, "Will the school be self-sustaining?" That depends on the endowment placed on it and the number of girls admitted, also the amount of training bestowed on them. The higher the advantages, the greater the expense. The present dwelling house will comfortably accommodate forty pupils. It has that number now and many more are asking admission. Let us enlarge our ideas and perhaps a Rockefeller or Carnegie will come to our aid and we shall have more buildings, and can protect and educate a greater number of girls.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

#### RECEIPTS—OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER.

Bluffton.....	\$10.00	Wallace, Indianapolis.....	\$3.00
Carmel.....	3.00	Carthage.....	5.00
Vincennes.....	5.00	Garrett.....	5.00
Fairmount.....	3.50	Maggie Parker.....	.90
Mary Everson.....	10.00	Susie Major.....	1.00
Mt. Vernon.....	2.00	Addie Smith, solicitor.....	25.17
Princeton.....	3.00	Addie Smith, loan returned.....	2.00
Greensburg.....	10.00	Nora V. Nading.....	.50
Kate Lee, solicitor.....	35.00	Frances Willard, Ft. Wayne.....	10.00
Greentown.....	3.00	Honey Creek Contest.....	3.00
Ella F. Falls.....	1.00	Oak Ridge.....	13.00
Brazil.....	2.25	Amboy.....	3.00
Mrs. Meeter Helm.....	1.00	Terra Haute Central.....	2.00
Emily McIntosh.....	1.00	Marshall Contest.....	4.50
Sadie Evis.....	2.00	Quilts.....	7.00
Nancy Moore.....	.50	Mrs. Cantlin.....	2.50
Marinda Ridgeway.....	1.00	Mr. Selva.....	5.00
Sallie P. Hardy.....	1.00	Donation.....	1.00
Deer Creek.....	3.00	Mr. Balls.....	5.00
Ossian.....	3.00	Western Grove.....	11.78
Auburn.....	10.00	Josephine Nichols, Wabash.....	3.00
Mary F. Thomas Union.....	5.00	Rochester.....	.71
Economy.....	3.50	Otterbein.....	5.00
Mr. Balls.....	5.00	Martha Hadley.....	\$30.96
Owensville.....	5.00	Mr. Shafer.....	10.00
Hanover.....	3.10	Elkhart Co. Pledge.....	5.00
E. M. Haughton, solicitor.....	72.75	Shirley.....	1.00
Mary Everson.....	4.93	Garrett.....	5.00
Grant Co. Pledge.....	10.00	North Vernon.....	5.25
Borrowed money.....	45.00	Monon.....	1.30
Bloomington Contest.....	7.00	Marion Central.....	11.00
Hogs sold.....	14.07	Total receipts.....	\$797.17
Rising Sun.....	5.00		
Valparaiso.....	1.00		
Plainfield.....	5.00		
Cadiz.....	2.00		

#### DISBURSEMENTS—OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER.

Groceries.....	\$100.00	Mary Tarlton expenses.....	\$20.00
Mary Everson, Commission.....	3.07	Making cider and molasses.....	17.68
Bread, cakes.....	2.50	Insurance assessment.....	2.40
Sewing woman.....	20.00	Sundries.....	7.65
Emergency fund.....	72.20	Soap.....	5.70
Assistant matron.....	41.00	Lucretia Hobart, expenses.....	27.65
Mr. and Mrs. Steele, salary in full.....	175.67	Christmas candy.....	2.25
Addie Smith, loan.....	4.00	Bedstead.....	6.00
Addie Smith, commission.....	7.57	E. M. Haughton, commission.....	21.80
Coal.....	66.90	Mr. and Mrs. Wells, salary.....	80.00
Crackers.....	2.30	Total.....	\$718.99
Printing.....	1.75		
Old hardware bill.....	30.00		

REBECCA HESSONG,  
Treasurer.

### PRIZE ESSAYS.

Let every union that can possibly do so arrange immediately to give prizes in the higher grades of the schools for the best essays on some given subjects. Let the first prize be \$5.00 in gold, second prize \$2.50 in gold or do as was done in Benton County with such success, solicit articles for prizes from the merchants. Arrange to have a public meeting and have essays read and prizes given. Charge admission.

#### RULES.

Writers must not be under —, or over — years of age, and must observe the following rules:

1. Write upon but one side of the paper.
2. Essay must not contain over 500 words.
3. Enclose a certificate from your teacher that the work is your own.
4. Pay your own postage.
5. Contest closes —
6. Send essay with assumed name signed, to —
7. Also send sealed envelope with assumed and real name inside.

Write for detailed instructions to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.

#### SUBJECTS SUGGESTED.

"Evil effects of intoxicating liquors on the human system." "Cost of the Liquor Traffic to the tax payers." "How the Liquor Traffic stands in the way of merchants and farmers." "To license the Liquor Traffic is a sin."

### PROGRAM FOR MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

#### MORNING SESSION.

- 9.00. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Gulie Shugart, President Grant County.
- 9.15. Reading of the Minutes.
- 9.30. The MESSAGE, by the Editor, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter.
- 9.40. Hadley Industrial School, by President of the Board, Miss Hobart.
- 10.00. The Outlook, by the State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson.
- 10.20. Report of Committee on the revision of the Constitution.
- 11.00. Miscellaneous Business.
- 12.00. Noontide prayer and adjournment.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 1.30. Devotions conducted by Mrs. Sophia Toner, President Morgan County.
- 1.45. Condition of the L. T. L., by Mrs. Ida Mix, State L. T. L. Secretary.
- 2.00. The Y. Work, by Miss Clara Sears, State Y. Secretary.
- 2.15. Corresponding Secretary's Report.
- 2.30. Treasurer's report and discussion of State finance.
- 3.00. Miscellaneous Business.
- 4.00. Adjournment.

This meeting will be strictly a business meeting and will be held in the Century Club Room, at the Denison House, Indianapolis, April 16. Every member of the Executive is urged to be present promptly at nine o'clock. The central location and half fare rate ought to insure an unusually large attendance. Remember that tickets will be sold on the 14th and 15th only, and will be good to and including the 17th. Entertainment for members of the Executive will be provided from the 15th to the 17th. On the night of the 15th you will have an opportunity to hear Oliver W. Stewart, National Chairman of the Prohibition party, at the Masonic Temple. On the afternoon of the 15th there will be a Diamond Contest at the same place. Dear Sisters, pray earnestly that the Holy Spirit may guide us in the work of the Mid-year Executive, so that our power for good may be increased.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

The Ladies' Entrance to the Denison Hotel is on Ohio street, just off of Pennsylvania street. Go through to elevator and tell the elevator boy to take you to the Century Club Room.—EDITOR.

### FIELD NOTES.

Fremont Union is still "In the land of the living and the home of the brave," and, although we have our ups and downs, we still are doing the little things that will be set to our account by that dearest of friends. We have sixteen paid members; though not many of the number are rich in this world's goods, they are certainly the consecrated Christian women of our town. Although the local Union was organized early in the W. C. T. U.'s first existence, there is still much to be done in Fremont. Senator Henry W. Blair made this statement in 1890: "The W. C. T. U. is one of the grandest organizations. It can do anything of which God will approve, within the powers of humanity, to accomplish its great end. It can preach, sing psalms, watch and pray; lecture, print and raise money; it can work at all times and seasons, on Sabbath or week day; there no time when its work is not in order, and the liquor traffic has never before met such a foe as this educated, organized, Christian American motherhood." Such words, coming from such Christian men, encourage us. One of our members, Mrs. Mary Boor, accompanied by her kind husband, is now in Charleston, S. C., and will be in attendance W. C. T. U. days. A member greatly loved by all, Mrs. Mary Bunker, leaves us soon to make her home in Nebraska with a son, who has kindly sent for her to spend her remaining days. When we said to her, "Oh! how can we spare you?" she said: "It is best." Our loss is their gain. May the Lord be with her.

The Bridgeport W. C. T. U. was favored, on February 28th, by having Mrs. McWhirter with us to lecture, which was highly appreciated by all, and our wonder was how any one can refrain from active temperance work after hearing these noble plans and facing the facts which she revealed to us. We feel sure her lecture was a benefit to us all.

**Sabbath Observance Meeting**—Mrs. S. M. Stahl held a public meeting in behalf of Sabbath Observance, at Priam, Sunday, February 16th. Our literature was freely distributed and thirty-nine persons signed the total abstinence pledge. A good collection was taken for Sabbath literature. After the address a Union was organized with eleven active and five honorary members.

**South Bend Unions** held a very unique Matron's Contest, March 14, in the Y. M. C. A. hall, which was filled to its utmost capacity, many being compelled to stand. All of the contestants were from Chapin Park Union. The announcement that the contestants, singers and ushers would be dressed in old fashioned costumes brought out the people. Mrs. Jennie Sharples won the medal. Mrs. Cora Sarle and Mrs. C. C. Byers received very high marks. The efficient Superintendent of Contest Work, Mrs. Mattie W. Berry, had charge of the contest class, assisted by Mrs. S. P. Barker, the Associate Superintendent.

**Miss Laura Geneva Cammack**, of Converse, Indiana, our State Superintendent of the Press Department, has been very ill for weeks, but is much improved now. For days she lingered very near death's door. During this time, however, she talked much about the Department and was anxious to have her mail promptly answered. Her aged father and mother were both very ill at the same time, but the death angel passed on and they are all recovering.

**Marion Central W. C. T. U.** held a Willard Memorial Service on the 6th of March at the beautiful new home of Mrs. L. C. Beshore, wife of the nominee for mayor of the City of Marion on the prohibition ticket. The service was in charge of the President, Mrs. Kate Wolf. Roll call, and responses from Miss Willard's golden thoughts, proved a very impressive service. A quartette sang Miss Willard's favorite hymns. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a sweet and tender biography of our sainted leader. Closed the service by joining hands and singing "Blest be the tie that binds." Two dollars and sixty cents was contributed to the Willard Memorial Fund.

**Bluffton Union** had Mrs. McWhirter with them the 16th and 17th, and she gave three fine lectures to crowded houses. She won the hearts and admiration of all who heard her and in her pleas for members many were added to the Union. Collections were splendid and after all expenses were paid money was left in the treasury.

**Miss Eva Marshall Shoutz**, who is well known as a temperance worker, was the guest of Bluffton Union the same time Mrs. McWhirter was their guest, and held two large audiences spell-bound, who responded with cash and several new members for the Union. Bluffton recommends all Unions to entertain these two noble women and arouse public sentiment, increase their membership and put funds in the treasury.

**Spencerville W. C. T. U.** gave a Prize Contest February 22. The class consisted of eleven young ladies, and all recited remarkably well. The prize, which was a copy of Whittier's Poems, was awarded to Miss Esta Boger. The subject of her recitation was "The Foes of Drink." A great deal of interest was manifested in the contest, and all seemed pleased with the evening's entertainment.

**Mrs. Toner, County President**, writes: "Morgan County held W. C. T. U. Executive Committee meeting and decided to hold Institute at Monrovia, April 21, 22, instead of Martinsville, as Monrovia had never had an Institute and there were other conventions in the way at Martinsville. We do hope to have a helpful Institute and will try and work for it until the last day in the evening. We will hold Gold Medal Contest at Institute."

**Ft. Wayne**—Frances E. Willard Union held commemorative services on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 15, at the Grace Reformed Church. The following program was rendered: Singing, "Rock of Ages," by congregation; Devotional Exercises, the Rev. A. K. Zartman; Solo, "There is a Land No Eye Hath Seen," Miss Gill; "The Christian Life of Miss Willard," The Rev. J. N. Field; Solo, "A Clean Heart," Mrs. Gray; "Miss Willard as a Reformer," the Rev. J. B. Fleming; Reading, Miss Anna Philley; Solo, "If I Were a Voice," Miss Elsie Johnson; Benediction, The Rev. J. N. Field.

**Greensburg** Press Reporter writes of their Union holding Willard Memorial services and because it was as well the birthday of their President, she was remembered with flowers from Miss Mary Wright, who gave the recitation "To the Living." The honoraries entertained the Union; had charge of program; Subject: "Our New Possessions—Vice in the Philippines." They served mush and milk, cake and lemon ice. The Charity Committee entertained the Union at Mrs. Wright's, asking each member to bring a donation for the poor of the city. All came and brought an abundance of flour, apples, canned goods and clothing. Mrs. Wright had a comfort ready for them to tie out, which was soon accomplished. Four White Ribboners are on the board of six, known as the County Board of Children's Guardians, in harmony with an act of our late legislature. Two new young lady members reported.

**Danville**, Hendricks County, reports contest, with \$25.10 door fee; Mrs. Emma Ratliff, chairman.

**No further** orders for State Minutes can be filled. The supply is exhausted.



**Lawrence County Institute** was held March 10 and 11 in the new Presbyterian church at Bedford. With Mrs. Balch as leader, and Mrs. Luella McWhirter assisting, the institute could not be anything but a success. Monday afternoon Mrs. Balch gave a very instructive lecture on the different departments of the W. C. T. U., enlarging especially on Systematic Giving, Franchise, and presented petitions for Suffrage, and against polygamy. The sweet Christian spirit, yet strong character of Mrs. Balch, ran through every thought expressed by her, and was highly appreciated by the audience. Mrs. McWhirter spoke on the department of Mothers' Meetings, and realizing herself the great responsibility that each mother is under to God and humanity, she sought by earnest words to give her listeners a higher view of life, and by her enthusiasm, to urge us on to nobler work for our loved ones. Monday night the Mary Alexander Y.'s gave a medal contest. Five girls and one boy recited and Mabel Erwin was awarded the silver medal—the other members of the class were given a button, with Miss Willard's dear face upon it, as a souvenir of the occasion. Tuesday morning was so rainy that but few were present, but they were richly rewarded for braving the elements, by the interesting subjects discussed by the State workers present. Tuesday afternoon Institute program was carried out by local workers, ministers, teachers, Sunday-school Superintendents, and one of our physicians. Mrs. Balch kindly discussed them all and added additional temperance thoughts which I am sure will be of use to us all in the different walks of life represented in this program. Tuesday evening Mrs. Luella McWhirter gave an address on "The Rival of the Home." She presented her facts in a very forcible manner and completely captivated her audience. Her magnetic influence was keenly felt throughout the Institute, and her pleasing manner and personality have won her many warm friends in our city who will gladly welcome her to our county again. The music was furnished by local talent under the direction of Miss Sanders. The members of the Institute feel under many obligations to the gentlemen and ladies for this delightful music which added so much to our work.

On March 4 Sister Rebecca Studebaker, of Bluffton, gave a W. C. T. U. thimble social which netted \$9.55. This she gave to the Local Union, to be expended where most needed. Since then this pioneer White Ribboner of Wells County met with a serious fall which debarred her from attending the two days' meetings which she had worked so hard to bring about. But with prayers for our success, she and her aged husband bade us God speed from their sick beds, while their purses were open to meet any emergency.

**Mrs. A. Tingley**, of Logansport, writes: Mr. James Gipe was here and gave an address to the W. C. T. U. the evening of the 14th of February and in the afternoon of the 15th he addressed the young people and organized an L. T. L., and in the evening he spoke for the Prohibition Alliance in the west part of the city. The Alliance paid one-half the expense of all. The people were well pleased with him. The L. T. L. has not had a meeting yet for the want of a place to hold it, but they think there is some prospect of securing one soon.

**LaPorte Union** held a very interesting Willard Memorial meeting. A number testified of having had the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with our sainted sister, Miss Willard. While I, the writer, did not have, I love her and her works and wear her dear picture much of the time. She is not dead, but liveth.

**Mrs. Benjamin**, President of Michigan, says of Mrs. E. L. Mudge, who has recently moved to Hammond, Indiana, from Michigan: She is one of the most capable, efficient, right minded women you have ever known. So intelligent concerning our work that she can fit in any sphere. I hope you will call her out into a larger place, for you will find her abundantly able to fill it.

**Vincennes Union** observed Miss Willard's Crowning Day. We prepared a program and invited all the members and their husbands and a number of friends, including the pastors and wives. After the program we served sherbet and cake and gave for a souvenir each a copy of the Annual Leaflet, tied with white ribbon. After Scripture reading and prayer, "Some Glad Day" was sung. A paper on "How it All Began" was fine. An address on "Miss Willard in the Work" was practical and helpful. Solos, "O When Shall I be Free?" and "On Heights of Power," and the quartet, "The Home in the Sweet Bye-and-Bye," were greatly appreciated, as was also the reading of "Poor House Nan." There were 65 people present, many of them men.

**Brazil Union** held a Medal contest for the benefit of Hadley Home, which surpassed all expectations in numbers and was a rousing success in every particular. Two of the seven contestants were unable to be present, but the remaining five acquitted themselves with distinction. Master Allan Griffin was awarded the Medal. After expenses were paid, forty-three dollars was sent to Mrs. Hessong, treasurer of Hadley Home, who congratulated Brazil Union for being ahead and on top. All the credit is due Mrs. Zellar, President; Mrs. Nettie Devor, Superintendent Medal Contest Work, and Mrs. Minnie Snyder, Corresponding Secretary, who labored with untiring zeal and energy for the success of the Contest. We held a Mothers' Meeting in January which was largely attended. The program was very interesting, and the social feature of the occasion was all that could be desired. Seven new members were gained at this meeting. March 25th we are to have a Fathers'

Meeting, which we look forward to with great pleasure, hoping it may be profitable and pleasant.

**The two Richmond Unions**—Frances E. Willard and Mary F. Thomas—united in a memorial meeting for our beloved Frances E. Willard, on Sabbath, March 16. Two of our State Superintendents—Mrs. E. M. Haughton and Miss Lavinia Bailey—and Mrs. Jeanette Hill Knox, Vice-President of North Dakota, were on the program, which was successfully carried out. Both Unions will send the \$2 for the Memorial Fund. We have always sent ours direct to National Treasurer Helen M. Barker.

**Brazil Union** is doing a grand work. The mothers of the town are aroused. Dues have been paid for 23 members more than was paid for at this time last year. At this rate the victory of no saloons there will only be a question of time.

**Wells County** has a wide-awake Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Dr. Goodin, of Bluffton. She has purchased the Book, "Alcohol, a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," and says "It's all right." She is planning to push the work vigorously. She will at an early date visit all the Unions in the county and secure a superintendent for her department in each.

**Mrs. Stahl**, of Hartford City, was at Anderson and gave two grand talks on last Monday afternoon and evening, the 16th.

**Logansport Union** held a meeting at the Home for the Friendless, Mrs. J. Troutman presiding. Devotional exercises led by Mrs. C. P. Wright. Responses at roll-call were from Miss Willard's writings. Superintendents made reports. Mrs. McElheney reported 174 bouquets and 125 visits to sick; flowers to four funerals. Mrs. Van Buskirk, Superintendent Literature, reported 5,500 pages distributed. Mrs. Neff, Superintendent Mercy, gave some startling facts in regard to cruelty and vivisection. Mrs. Stevenson reported progress in L. T. L. Jail work reported by Mrs. Wright and assistants, Miss Tingley and McElheney. 800 pages literature distributed at Gospel services. Press Superintendent Mrs. Tingley spoke of the great kindness and courtesy of the *Reporter*, *Pharos* and *Journal*. Mrs. Knauss reported interest in Mothers' Meetings. Christian Citizenship was reported by Mrs. Grable. Much enthusiasm prevailed over the Department work. Mrs. Trautman read a paper on Frances Willard as a leader. Mrs. C. P. Wright spoke on Miss Willard, "Though Dead, Yet Living," in her sweet, forcible manner.

**The Wells County W. C. T. U.** is coming to the front. The County President and Corresponding Secretary of the organization, Mesdames Manson Reiff and Frank McBride, drove to Ossian and attended the regular meeting of the Union, held in the home of Mrs. Hunter, who is County Superintendent of Contest Work. The meeting was well attended and very interesting, founded on current events, and after a select reading by Mrs. Thurber the meeting was turned over to the County President, who brought out the ideas of the State Union in the plans for the State Institute to be held in May, after which some very interesting communications were read and discussed. The plans of the State will be carried out to the letter, and every effort is being put forth to bring this organization to a higher standard than ever before. The women of Ossian are loyal to the cause, and willing to help the other unions of the county push the work.

**Blackford County Institute** was held at Montpelier March 12th. On the evening of March 11th a Matrons' Contest was held in which there were four contestants. The horrors of the demon rum were depicted as only mothers could tell them. Mrs. O. H. Shull, of Montpelier, was awarded the medal. Wednesday morning the Institute was called to order by our County President, Mrs. S. M. Stahl. The forenoon was spent in enthusiastic talks and papers on Department work, in which each department was so enthusiastically discussed that you would think each one, while being discussed, was the most important on the list. The afternoon session was equally interesting. Two excellent papers read in the afternoon were voted to be re-read in the evening session—one by Mrs. S. M. Stahl, subject, "What has the W. C. T. U. Accomplished?" and another by Mrs. Willis, subject, "Apathy of the People on the Liquor Traffic." The evening session was one of equal interest, at which there were seven regular members and eleven honorary members added to our Union and fifty signers to the pledge. At the close of school in the evening the school children were invited to the church, at which time seventy-five signed the pledge and an L. T. L. was organized. Blackford county is alive in the good work.

**Frankfort W. C. T. U.** has two good Loyal Legions under her supervision—Senior, with 27 members enrolled, and Junior, with 92 members enrolled. We hire a teacher from the public schools to help, and thereby are better able to hold interest of the children. Mrs. Frank Hinder, County Superintendent, and Mrs. Emma Condon, Local Superintendent, both help in the work. We held a Gospel Temperance Meeting in the Colored Church in January. Two ministers gave talks and Mrs. Emma Saylor presented the W. C. T. U. work in her usual able manner. Frankfort W. C. T. U. observed Miss Willard's heavenly birthday by holding a parlor meeting at the beautiful new home of our President, Mrs. Hattie Barricklow. An excellent program, musical and literary, was enjoyed by all. During the social hour delicious refreshments were served. Our Flower Mission Superintendent, Mrs. R.

C. Clark, has been confined to her home with nervous prostration all winter, and all the members of the Union are helping do her work for her. Rev. Horace Ogden gave a lecture for the benefit of the Senior Legion, by which they cleared twenty dollars. We have bought a nice new piano for the benefit of the Legion work.

**Upland Union** held a Willard Memorial Meeting. The program given in the *Union Signal* was carried out. Two dollars was sent for our National Organization fund.

**At Auburn**, on February 28th, Miss Eva Shoutz, of Chicago, gave her famous lecture, "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" Full house and good collection.

**Miss Edith Bailiff**, formerly of Mapleton Union, was recently married to Mr. G. E. Stout, of Olinsville. We wish these young people much happiness, and feel sure that theirs will be a White Ribbon home.

**At Peru** a Willard Memorial meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. O. Ward, on February 17th. An interesting program was carried out. Hymn, Rock of Ages; Prayer, Mrs. Anna Hollinshade; Reading 139th Psalm, Mrs. Anna Hollinshade; Essay, Founder and Leader of W. C. T. U., Mrs. Mary Sharp. Mrs. DeBolt read a paper of interest on "Her Influence Still Lives;" Mrs. Moon, on "Her Childhood;" Mrs. Ward, Her work among colored People. Mrs. Dunlap gave a talk on the Childhood Home of Miss Willard and of the mother's influence over child; although poor in this world's goods she was rich in the love of Christian parents, and how Miss Willard's life goes to show that our best workers in the cause of humanity are brought up in poverty. Recitation, The Drunkard's Child, Miss Marian Richer. Much interest was manifested, and the attendance was good.

**Mrs. Unruh's Meetings** for men only were most notable, those of Florence and Rocky Ford especially, nearly two hundred men taking the White Cross pledge.—*Colorado Tidings*.

**Josephine R. Nichols Union**, of Wabash, held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Hettmansparger, with a good attendance of members and a number of visitors. Mrs. Smith, of Franklin, Penn., was present and reported that their county had the honor of having elected a prohibition sheriff. The Union was favored with a solo by Mrs. Lin. Dawes, entitled "Save the Boys," which was highly appreciated by all present. The reports of Superintendents of the different departments all show a great interest in the work. Mrs. Murphy read a paper written by Mrs. Ella Boole, which represented the W. C. T. U. as a large canvas which needed to be stretched over the nation; each department representing a guy rope and the members as the power to do the erecting; each one to have the work which she was best fitted to do. One having Temperance, one Sabbath Observance, one Non-Alcoholic Medication and so on through the list. Two new members were added to the Union.

**Otterbein Loyal Temperance Legion.** The W's, seeing the need of temperance training and the field lying ready before us, have organized a very prominent band of about thirty-five Loyal Temperance Legioners, Mrs. Margaret Homric, Superintendent, and the following teachers, viz: Mrs. Nettie Maddox, Miss Ida Baugher, Mrs. Wachtel and Miss Belle Moore, with the juvenile officers, Miss Nellie Homric, President, Master Ernest Waddell, Secretary, Miss Coy Laird, Treasurer. Miss Belle Moore will have charge of the music.

**The Otterbein Y.** is still increasing in membership, having made a gain of eight at the last few meetings. We carry out the program as laid down by the State. Our business meetings are well attended, and our parliamentary drill very instructive. The socials are the drawing cards. It was our pleasure to be entertained at the beautiful home of Miss Ida Baugher, Valentine eve., with about one hundred present.

**Wabash**—Josephine R. Nichols Union held a pleasant and instructive meeting at Mrs. E. P. Small's recently. The Union voted that a fine of five cents should be levied on all members failing to wear the white ribbon, the money to be placed in the flower fund. The Union was highly entertained by Mr. Whitesete, of Broadhead, Wisconsin, who recited "The Drunkard's Doom" in a most pleasing manner. A motion was made and carried that the superintendent of Sunday School work solicit the co-operation of the ministers and Sunday School superintendents to endorse the International Quarterly Temperance Lessons, as they now stand. The Union rejoices in the fact of the compulsory scientific temperance instruction having been accepted by Georgia, she being the last State of our country to adopt it. This removed the last black cap, and our national superintendent, Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, by invitation, held a jubilee at her home in Dorchester, Mass., in honor of the same.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

**Mrs. HATTIE HOLLOPETER**—In the death of Mrs. Hattie Hollopeter, wife of Rev. W. M. Hollopeter, the M. E. minister at Wakarusa, the church lost a loyal, earnest member and the W. C. T. U. an indefatigable worker and self-sacrificing member, whose work as treasurer of the Greencastle Union is yet bringing forth fruit. She was a courageous worker and a staunch Prohibitionist. Up to the time of her death she was planning and working for the advancement of the Union, that being her last work. She was laid away with her babe in her arms.

**MISS ANNA D. DAVIS**—In the removal, by death, of Miss Anna D. Davis, the Liberty Union has lost a friend who was faithful and diligent in all life's duties. For years she served as president. Her life was a benediction to those who knew her.



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## Y. W. C. T. U.

Another month has slipped away and again I want to talk to my own dear girls and members of the Y. We had three new Unions to join us; two in Terre Haute organized by Miss Hadley, and a Y. branch at Shirley organized by your Y. Secretary. We welcome all women and men coming into the work with us and may each one of you secure a new member before the 15th of September.

Your Secretary spent eleven days in Henry County, where the Shirley Y. was secured, also an L. T. L. at Kennard.

Local Treasurers, please be in earnest about collecting the dues for the 15th of June, the end of the third quarter. Only nine Y. Unions paid dues in the last six months, amounting to only 83 members.

Goshen Y. sends a splendid report by their Press Superintendent, Mr. Eugene Davis. The members are not afraid of rain; go in any kind of weather. They had Neal Dow and Prohibition in Maine discussed at a recent meeting. The Goshen Y. has as much literary and musical talent as any society in Goshen and if they could furnish a temperance quartette or musical club and use them at public meetings much temperance sentiment could be created. The public reading room conducted by the Y. has been given up, as they are to have a public library and reading room. While the Goshen Y. has lost some thirty-five members by marriage and removals, not one has been removed by death, and the Goshen Y. to day is the largest in the State.

Plan to put aside your dues, girls. They must be paid or you cannot be a member of the Local, County, State, National or World's W. C. T. U. and when your dues are paid, girls, you are eligible to fill the place of a delegate to any of our W. C. T. U. Conventions.

Anderson Y.'s held a Contest in the Y. M. C. A. parlors, March 31. Miss Cordelia Britton won the medal.

South Bend Y. sends splendid reports of the work there.

Miss Della Mae Connett, the Ohio Y. Secretary, also the Associate Superintendent of the Physical Education to the National Superintendent, Mrs. Frances W. Leiter, of Mansfield, will give Indiana five day's work in May. Beginning at Marion, Grant County, Elwood, Anderson W.'s and Y.'s have her each one day and Indianapolis for one day. Pray that much good may be done. Lovingly,  
CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y. Secretary.

## TEMPERANCE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS QUARTERLY.

It is known to most, if not all, readers of the MESSAGE that since 1890 one lesson each quarter has been devoted to temperance in the International Series. This plan was adopted as the result of the earnest and eloquent pleading of Frances E. Willard at the Pittsburgh convention. Now, after twelve years, it is astounding that concerted effort on the part of prominent Sunday School workers will be made at the Denver convention to abolish these lessons. Alarm was sounded by the *New Voice*, and protests ought to be heralded from every religious and family paper in the Nation. The writer of this article is and has been an ardent supporter of the *Sunday School Evangel*, the national organ of the Interdenominational Sunday School Union. Picture the surprise and indignation at the position taken by the *Evangel* in the May number, page 206. The *Evangel* says:

"That the Sunday School should be arrayed against the liquor traffic is right, and, moreover, it is a wise policy that directs that specific attention shall be given to this subject in the one place where the youth of the Nation are being taught man's responsibility to God, to himself and to his fellow-men, from the religious and moral standpoint. Notwithstanding all the difficulties in the way, and there are real difficulties, we believe the great body of Sunday School workers of America will continue to insist on this special recognition of the cause of temperance in our lesson system until some one shall present a better way whereby specific temperance instruction will be assured in the Sunday School.

"It certainly is a disadvantage to arbitrarily break into the sequence of the lessons to interject a special Bible temperance lesson at a specified time, particularly as the great cry is for the Bible lessons of the Sunday School to be kept in the natural order and continued without break. We have faith to believe that some one will yet provide a better plan to insure the specific instruction than this arbitrary plan of one temperance lesson a quarter. If there were some practical way to get at it, more good could be accomplished by the lesson writers and publishers giving more attention to the temperance thought as they prepare the lesson notes. The fact of the matter is, the Scripture selections by the Lesson Committee for the four temperance lessons have never been satisfac-

tory to all of the temperance workers, and the Lesson Committee itself has said that the Bible is lacking in lessons which may properly be called temperance lessons. If there is a lack of sympathy in this matter, why would it not do for the Lesson Committee to select its series of lessons for each year according to its general plan of going through the Bible and without special reference to the matter of temperance, and then ask a representative body of temperance workers to designate which four of the lessons so selected for the year should be particularly designated as temperance lessons, and then for the Lesson Committee to adopt this suggestion and so designate these particular lessons when the Lesson Committee issues its list of topics to the publishers? This would be a compromise, in a sense, but we believe it might result in more specific temperance teaching in the Sunday School and certainly both sides would then be satisfied."

To any fair-minded observer this plan is a retreat. What is the small objection of breaking into the sequence of the lessons to the mighty demands for saving our young people from the curse of intemperance and the sin of complicity with the awful, blighting power of the liquor traffic?

Who does not know that the ludicrous plan of labeling any lesson, regardless of context, temperance, would be a travesty on sincerity, honesty and good sense?

How can we meet the enemies of temperance, who have pushed their way into the very camps of the Sunday school; and now find an advocate in the organ of the national and international organization? The time is short—other ways may suggest themselves, but these two plans I trust every reader of THE MESSAGE will speedily adopt.

First: Write a postal card in compliance with the following request from the *Evangel*: Address Editor *Sunday School Evangel*, St. Louis, Mo., stating your desire to have temperance lessons continued as now. This editor has promised to present these cards to the committee.

1: See your delegate to the Denver Convention and pledge him to loyalty to the temperance lesson, as now appearing and insist upon every teacher and the Superintendent and officers of your respective schools joining in a petition for continuing quarterly temperance lessons.

Surely, if our sainted leader, Frances E. Willard, could face the opposition and win at Pittsburgh, in 1890, almost single handed, the great army of W. C. T. U. will wield a mighty influence now.

## TO WAR ON PROHIBITION—WHISKY INTERESTS DECIDE ON A VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN—MUCH MONEY WILL BE SPENT IN TEACHING THE PEOPLE THAT PROHIBITION IS A FAILURE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 27.—A secret meeting of representatives of Louisville whisky interests—manufacturing and jobbing—was held at the Galt House this afternoon to revive the National Protective Association, organized in Chicago in 1886, to wage war against the prohibition movement and to endeavor to show that "prohibition laws are ineffectual."

The association will be a national organization. It will have its headquarters in Louisville and will be supported by a fund to which the distilling and liquor jobbing interests of the entire country are expected to contribute. It is understood that the organization will have unlimited financial backing, for representatives of the trade everywhere are taking a deep interest in the movement and have already authorized the promoters to call on them for funds. The money will be used in employing speakers to conduct campaigns in States where the Prohibitionists are strong, in distributing printed matter, in employing statisticians and writers on economic subjects and anti-prohibition arguments particularly. Steps will now be taken to hold a national convention of liquor men, at which a permanent organization will be made.

A prominent distiller, discussing the meeting, said: "The trade is clamoring for the organization, and there is apparently little doubt of its success. The entire trade of the country will be combined on a campaign of education. We have received numerous letters from distilling concerns offering us \$100, \$200, \$400 and \$500 a year for a period of five years. None of these concerns is large. The concerns with more capital will give more money. The special aim of the organization will be to show the people in some States, where the prohibition movement is especially strong, the fallacy of their position. At present a prohibition movement is sweeping over the Southwest, and liquor interests are being hurt. In Michigan, Maine and Kansas prohibition is also strong. We want to show these people, with speakers and literature, that in passing prohibition measures they only reduce their revenue and do not benefit their States. In order to convince them that this is a fact we will em-

ploy statisticians to compile figures in support of our statements. The work will require much money and persistent efforts, but the liquor men are united in the movement and will accomplish their object, just as the old association did."—Indianapolis Journal.

## EXTRACT FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The W. C. T. U. State Executive Committee met in mid-year session, April 16, 1902.

Meeting was held in the Century Club room of the Denison hotel, Indianapolis. Mrs. Tompkins led in prayer. Mrs. Gulia Shugart brought a donation of \$10.00 to the State from an unknown friend.

Mrs. Clara Balch sent in her resignation as business manager of the State paper, because of permanent removal from the State. The resignation was received with many regrets and Mrs. Luella McWhirter was appointed to take her place. Miss Hobart, of the Industrial School Board, and Mrs. Hessong, Treasurer, were present.

Mrs. Hessong stated that only sixteen Unions had held contests and reports that \$138.00 had been realized from contests and \$460.90 from donations.

Mrs. Stanley reported a bequest of some where near \$1,500.00 for the home.

Mrs. Balch tendered her resignation as chairman of organization and Mrs. Hattie Brand was appointed to the position for the remainder of the year. As Mrs. Balch is looking forward to a permanent removal from the State, all other positions held by her in State work became vacant, and the appointments were made as follows: Summer Assembly Work, Mrs. Mary E. Evertson. Reporter for the *Union Signal*, Mrs. Luella McWhirter. For the department in the *Phalanx*, Mrs. McWhirter was given this also. Mrs. Balch desires to keep the medal department until the close of the year, and was allowed an assistant, and Mrs. Cora Steel, of Muncie, was nominated by Mrs. Balch and endorsed by the Committee.

Recommended that the county Presidents send in short, spicy articles for the *Phalanx*. Mrs. Whitson gave report of the treasury. The ten cents per member being taken from the treasury for the State paper and a shortage in dues of some 200 members, had produced a deficit of \$578.82 for the two quarters.

Mrs. Cammack urged the collecting of dues and soliciting new members as the true way of reimbursing the treasury.

Mrs. Brand urged advertisements for the annual minutes, which matter was left in the hands of the Central Committee.

Mrs. McWhirter suggested that Unions have printed cards for distribution at all public meetings, upon which donations of money to the W. C. T. U. may be pledged.

Mrs. McWhirter moved, and it was carried, that the Executive ask the Transportation Committee of the International Sunday School Convention, to be held at Denver, in June, to not allow the dining cars on the trains to which their cars are attached, to serve liquors en route.

On motion of Mrs. Balch it was recommended that the Board of Superintendents have demonstration night.

Moved by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson that each State officer evolve some simple financial plan and execute it for the benefit of the State Treasury.

A Diamond contest will be conducted by Mrs. Balch at the State convention and \$50.00 given to the State treasury.

On motion of Mrs. Rall, recommended that County Presidents ask for free will offering from their local Unions for State work. The time for State convention was fixed from October 3 to 7, inclusive.

Recommended that County Presidents confer with the County Executive and be prepared to make pledges of the number of the annual reports desired in the county.

Mrs. Wilson appointed the following members of the Plan of Work Committee: Mrs. Gulia Shugart, Mrs. Lida Outland, Mrs. Retta Jones.

On motion of Mrs. Jennie Ridgway, recommended that we memorialize the international Sabbath School Committee that they do not omit the Temperance lesson from the Sabbath School Quarterly.

MATTIE CAMMAK-GIBSON,  
Secretary.

## FROM MRS. MARGARET DYE ELLIS.

Another order has been issued by the War Department, discontinuing the periodical examination of prostitutes and suspected women, and the charges connected with the same, viz., fifty cents or two dollars, as the case might be.

In view of this action, further correspondence with President Roosevelt or others in authority regarding the "Regulation of the Social Evil" in the Philippines is, for the present, unnecessary. And so, step by step, we are gaining ground.







**NON-ALCOHOLIC MED. SCRAP BOOK.**

I want to ask, through the columns of the MESSAGE, that every Superintendent of this department make a Non-Alcoholic Medication Scrap Book. By clipping every article you see on this subject and pasting it into a book you will soon have a fund of valuable information. Ask every member of the Union to save clippings for you. If your Union has failed to find a Superintendent for this department you can certainly find some one that can make the scrap book. Please report the name of the woman appointed, to me.

Mrs. Rebecca Smith, M. D., Howard County's Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, upon the perusal of the book "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," writes, it is just the book all Superintendents of this department ought to have. She says every W. C. T. U., as well as every woman, ought to have it also. From this she is gathering material for a paper to be read before their County Institute. Price of the book only \$1.25. It contains much valuable information. The compiling of this book meant many years of hard work by our National Superintendent, Mrs. Martha M. Allen. Many Unions use this book as a reading book in the Union meetings. Send to Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, for a copy. AMANDA T. WHITSON.

**VERSES.**

By H. Lavinia Bailey. (The American Friend Publishing Co., Philadelphia, 1901.)

May be ordered from the Secretary of the Peace Association of Friends in America, Richmond, Ind. This attractively printed book of 124 pages has recently been issued by the Secretary of The Peace Association of Friends in America. On the title page we have the only word of introduction in the book:

"Shall only the nightingale sing in the wood,  
Or the lark in the upper air?"

which we take to mean that the writer wishes, at the outset, to enter her plea that the gift of song is not to be confined to the men and women of great genius, but that those who make no pretensions to such gifts have, nevertheless, their legitimate place to fill in the world of song. We believe she is right, and no one can read these "Verses" without feeling sure that the lines written, as so many of these were, on occasions of rejoicing or sorrow in her large circle of near friends, have in the one case added to the pleasure and in the other soothed the sorrow of those for whom they were written.

**CIGARETTE BOYS.**

Dr. David Starr Jordan gives a "grim argument for the use of cigarettes"—what John Bunyan would call a short by-way to destruction:

"As a college teacher, my experience with boys who have formed the cigarette habit is somewhat limited. It, however, confirms me in my opinion that such boys are like wormy apples; they drop long before the harvest time. Very few of them ever advance far enough to enter college. Very few of those last beyond the first year. They rarely make failures in after-life, because they do not have any after-life. The boy who begins cigarette-smoking before he is fifteen never enters the life of the world. When other boys are taking hold of the world's work he is concerned with the sexton and the undertaker. There is one grim argument to be made for the use of cigarettes by boys—it helps on the survival of the fittest. The manly boy does not take to such things."

**List of Counties** that paid dues for one or more Unions last year than the year previous: Benton, 1; Blackford, 2; Daviess, 1; DuBois, 1; Elkhart, 1; Floyd, 2; Grant, 1; Madison, 1; Marion, 3; Perry, 2; Pulaski, 1; Putnam, 1; Steuben, 1; Vermillion, 2; White, 2.

**List of Counties** that paid dues for one or less Unions last year than the year previous: Bartholomew, 1; Boone, 1; Carroll, 1; Cass, 1; Clinton, 1; Decatur, 1; Greene, 2; Hamilton, 1; Hancock, 1; Hendricks, 2; Huntington, 1; Jefferson, 1; Jay, 2; Johnson, 1; Knox, 1; LaPorte, 1; Miami, 1; Morgan, 2; Newton, 1; Noble, 1; Posey, 3; Randolph, 2; Rush, 2; Wabash, 1; Wayne, 2; Whitley, 1.

**INSTITUTES.**

"The best Institute ever held in Vigo County" was the oft repeated exclamation at the close of the session recently held at Terre Haute. The able ministry of the city was promptly on hand and did valiant service, especially in the symposium and first evening's meeting. The State Normal School was ably represented on the program. But nothing could excel the pungent and delightful discussion of department work by our own resident White Ribboners. Much interest was taken in the literature presented and subscriptions were given for nearly all of our periodicals.

Before the close of the second meeting such a demand for organization was apparent as has made this Institute a record breaker and following came the organization of The Allen Chapel Union, the Frances E. Willard Y., the Mary Hadley Y., the Collett Park L. T. L. and the Allen Chapel L. T. L. and I learn since leaving the city that other organization has followed, which was planned at the Institute, and now there is a trinity L. T. L. and another to follow. It was of especial interest that the name Frances E. Willard for that fine Y. of 17 members was proposed by a young man who was once an L. T. L. boy and I cannot tell you how proud I am that the other Y. should bear my name. As you will

have a full report of officers, etc., I will not say more, only that these fruitful results could not have been possible but for the energetic, sacrificing efforts of Vigo County's President, Mrs. McDaniels and her predecessor, Mrs. Joyce, with such able co-workers as Mrs. Squires, Mrs. Bair, Mrs. Shurley and others equally able, and my own delightful Institute co-worker, Mrs. Rose Pearce.

**Tippecanoe County Institute** met in the First Christian church of LaFayette, April 14, Monday at 2 P. M., with Miss Palmer as leader and Miss Borum, County President, presiding.

Mrs. Powers gave the key note for the Institute, by reading and commenting on the 4th Psalm, followed by short prayers.

Miss Palmer spoke, with enthusiasm, of the permeating influence of the W. C. T. U. and the extension of our work.

Mrs. Oiler read an excellent paper on Systematic Giving, which was followed by an animated discussion. The larger number present believe in and practice tithing; of these some see no wrong in social and suppers, as an organized effort to honestly earn money for the Lord's work; while others condemned the same, and think that as long as women are willing to gather church money by these tiresome methods, so long they will have it to do, and that it is a hindrance to tithing, becoming the universal habit of giving.

Mrs. K. T. A. Straw gave a paper on Anti-Narcotics and the L. T. L. She urged each woman to help secure, this year, the five million boys pledged against tobacco, thinks that the honorary and the regular members of the W. C. T. U. should be pledged against the use of tobacco, in any form, and related some of her experiences while in the southern states and in the Republic of Mexico, how the southern women and girls use tobacco, in the form of snuff and the common use of cigarettes among Mexican women.

Indiana W. C. T. U. should work for a law similar to New York state law, to punish the minor for smoking cigarettes. Monday evening Miss Palmer spoke very acceptably and Rev. Detch, in a solo, sang the same gospel which as pastor he fearlessly preaches.

Tuesday morning was devoted to the semi-annual county convention. Miss Borum, County President, resigned, because as companion to her aged mother she has no time for active county work. Miss Eliza Baker, so long president of Benton county, was elected, and Mrs. Straw to fill the vacant office of Recording Secretary.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Bone, reported for 6 months the receipts \$36.86, expenditures \$24.79. Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. I. S. Wade, reported 19 State Minutes and 6 Union Signals. The S. T. I. Superintendent, Mrs. Bone, reported 60 subscribers to *School Physiology Journal*, and one S. T. I. lecture by Mrs. Helen Gougar, Tuesday afternoon, in the symposium on the "Next Step in Temperance Work."

The minister advocated a place always open in each church where the social instinct of men is met. The S. T. I. Superintendent—the State plan of prize essays in the public schools. The Y. M. C. A. President—a campaign for Christian homes. The Superintendent of the Sunday School—Retain the quarterly temperance lesson and teach it thoroughly, bring the boys into the Sabbath Schools.

In the evening, in the West Side M. E. Church, which was beautifully decorated, Mrs. Ray Stinespring conducted a successful medal contest of six contestants, Miss Howell obtaining the silver medal. Master George Johnston delighted the audience with a number of pieces on the mandolin and Flossie rendered a fine solo.

Receipts of Institute in collections and medal contest, \$9.87. Subscriptions obtained—Union Signal, 1; Young Crusader, 6.

Mrs. —, totally blind, sold a number of gingham aprons which she made, the proceeds to go to the Hadley Home. One of the queries in the question box was, "Is it consistent with W. C. T. U. principles for Hadley Home to make cider?" See their report in April MESSAGE.

**Parke County Institute**, held at Coloma, came on the first perfect spring days we had for weeks. This was in sharp contrast with the equinoctial storms this county has so often had at its Institutes. But the weather was really too fine, for it kept an energetic part of the program away for awhile, but about all finally responded to duty and the well filled program was well carried out. Department work was exceptionally well presented. The social meeting the first evening quite a success; at it names were given for a new Union and a good organization of thirteen members was formed the following day. The names of the officers elected and further details will be given by Parke county's competent and energetic President, Mrs. M. T. Lindley, who knows just how all these fruitful results were brought about and what they cost and I am just giving this running account to obey orders and to keep on good terms with "the powers that be." On behalf of Section 3.

MARY HADLEY.

**Vigo County Institute** was held at Terre Haute, on March 24 and 25. Miss Mary Hadley was our leader. The first session was held in the Trinity M. E. church, Mrs. Alice McDaniels in the chair. The meetings throughout were well attended, and great interest was manifested. Most excellent papers were read by Mrs. Ethel Bair, Mrs. McBeth and Mrs. Squires. Addresses were given by Revs. Dunn, Waller, Case, Long and G. W. Pearce. Two Y's were organized, three L. T. L's. and one colored

Union. In all, forty were added to the membership. We feel that the cause has been helped and strengthened by the visit of our sister. We realize, more than ever, the great benefit that the annual Institute is to a county. It is a harvest of the year's sowing, a gathering of the crops into the barns of the W. C. T. U. Vigo county starts out for work with new energy, and means to come up to State Convention with a better report than ever before. Our Y's are earnest, and eager for work. Pray that we may lead them right. The Institute was one of the best ever held here.

**Jennings County Institute** at Hayden, March 17 and 18, in the Baptist church. The day attendance was unusually small, the evening better. Receipts at contest \$8.30. A small gold medal. Class from North Vernon. Miss Esther Long winning the medal on "College Old Cars." The music for evening meetings was very good indeed, in charge of Mrs. Grace Sullivan. The evening audiences were largely young people. You detected prohibition in the prayers and the conversation of the people as they lingered for a social season.

**Greene County.** The dear loyal women of Lyons and Worthington came right up to the work for Greene County, enlisted the best of local talent for the Institute program given at Lyons, organized the children for song service and secured a fine quartette of young people, who sang at the evening lecture. This lecture was given to a full house of most patient and attentive listeners. All this was brought about on short notice by such workers as Mrs. Hand, Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Miller, of Lyons. Pretty well for an unorganized county, you say, but Greene county is not unorganized now, for a fine organization was effected and the following officers chosen: President, Mrs. Millie Turney, Worthington; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Maggie Hand, Lyons; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Leslie Shaw, Worthington; Treasurer, Miss Rose Miller, Lyons. Following this organization we were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Turney on "A History of the Crusade," and by Mrs. Miller, on a general dissertation on the work. Discussion followed. Thus closed an interesting, fruitful Institute session and we gladly welcome Greene county to our ranks.

**The Dearborn County Institute** was held at Moores Hill, April 7 and 8. Mrs. Cammack Gibson, of Jonesboro, was with us and rendered most valuable service. Her Institute talks were fine, and the one on "What the W. C. T. U. has accomplished" was especially instructive and inspiring. On Monday night Mrs. Gibson delivered her lecture "Five Boys in Knee Pants," to a large and appreciative audience. Five boys in knee pants on the front seat were especially attentive.

On Tuesday evening a silver medal contest was given. Eight misses composed the class. The sentiment of all the readings was so good and they were rendered so excellently by the contestants that we believe good was accomplished. The receipts at the door were enough to pay all the Institute expenses and place a neat little sum in the county treasury. God is blessing our cause. We are right and shall win.

**Benton County Institute** will be held at Boswell the 24th and 25th of March.

**Parke County's Institute** was held at Coloma, Parke county, the 3d and 4th of April, with Miss Mary Hadley as Leader. The Suggestive Program was followed. The first night was a social, literary evening. Our Leader told us, in a brief but pertinent way, a few things the W. C. T. U. had accomplished, which, with questions from the audience, brought out very much credit to the W. C. T. U. Then came the Silver Offering and Social Hour, which proved an opportune time for securing names for a new Union. On the second day of the Institute most excellent papers were read on, "What is the Next Step to be taken on the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and Tobacco Habit?" By the Press, Grace G. Maddon. "Medical Men," Dr. F. Woodard; by Superintendent Scientific Temperance, Inez D. Woodard. The different heads of subject were discussed in a very interesting way, by C. F. Morris, C. X. Lewis, Stanton Cox and others. But best of all, a Union of nine active and four honorary members was organized, with Laura Morris, President, Coloma, Ind.; Hattie Shannon, Recording Secretary, Coloma, Ind.; Mary R. Morris, Treasurer, Coloma, Ind.

**FIELD NOTES.**

**Boswell Union** entertained Benton County Institute, Miss Alice Palmer, Leader, on Sabbath evening, March 23. She spoke in the M. E. church to a crowded house. Her message was received with much interest. March 24th the County Institute met in the M. E. church, with Mrs. Smith, of Oxford, the County President, in the chair. Miss Anna Eberly, President of the Boswell Union, conducted the devotions by calling on Miss Palmer, who gave a brief Bible reading showing why the members of the W. C. T. U. do not get discouraged. She said it is not because we are great, or wealthy, or successful, or loved, or admired for our work's sake. The reverse is often true. We are poor and few in numbers and our work unpopular, but it is done in Christ's name, and because of his mercy we faint not. Mrs. Useler, a visiting delegate from LaFayette, led in prayers. Representatives of four W. C. T. Unions of the county were promptly on time at the Institute, Monday afternoon, to receive this mutual instruction. A prominent feature of the afternoon meeting was a fine talk on God's plan of finance given by Rev. Mr. Lawhon, followed by free discussions. Miss Palmer spoke to

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young women in an effective manner. The afternoon program was shortened in order to be through in time for Dr. Parson's lecture at the Presbyterian church. In the evening Miss Palmer spoke on "The Reason Why Christian Women of America Find it Necessary to Send Out Their Representatives in This Reform Work?" Clearly and fairly was this subject handled. Mrs. Davis, of Oxford, sang very effectively a mission song.

On Thursday, March 25, the feature of interest to the general public was a symposium on the question, "What Shall Be the Next Step for the Abolition of the Liquor Traffic and the Tobacco Habits by the Churches?" by Rev. Van Allen, of Ambia, who said, the people of the church should see to the enforcement of the law and should vote for men who are pledged to law enforcement. Miss Sylvie Freeman, of Boswell, read a very interesting paper in answer to what is the next step for young people's societies. She spoke of the influence and power of a good example and education. Miss Palmer showed what the use of the press is doing at this time. J. O. Berrett spoke of the influence of the reform organizations. Mr. Berrett advocated the formation of a reform political party which should have the suffrage of church members, both men and women. Mr. Clint Narquest spoke of the quiet home influence of woman in her fourfold relation of mother, sister, sweetheart and wife. Miss Palmer closed the discussion by showing that women have always exhausted their efforts in an exercise of personal power, which has been restricted and antidoted by unjust legislation and corrupt political action and that without one jot abating their desire and prayer to be womanly, loving, patient and tender and she asks that these attributes shall be supplemented by the privileges of citizenship.

The people expressed themselves as highly pleased with the Institute, the crowning feature of which was a contest in declamation for a silver medal. The contestants were Mrs. Birdie Cartwright, Boswell; Mrs. Nettie McDade, Chase; Mrs. Idia Debra, Boswell; Mrs. Amanda Smith, Oxford; Mrs. Roun, Otterbein. Mrs. Cartwright received the medal, but because of general excellence, the other ladies were afterward awarded smaller medals as souvenirs. There was an excellent program of music. Mrs. Rowe, who spoke first, already holds a silver medal, so of course was not graded as a contestant. She kindly went into the class to fill out the program.

**Hope Union**, Bartholomew County, has been successful in defeating an application for license—they sang the Doxology in the court room. The threat was made that the application would be renewed again in April.

**Greensburg** Press Reporter writes of their Union holding Willard Memorial Services, and because it was as well the birthday of their President, she was remembered with flowers from Miss Mary Wright, who gave the recitation "To the Living." The honoraries entertained the Union; had charge of program. Subject: Our New Possessions—Vice in the Philippines. They served mush and milk, cake and lemon ice. The Charity Committee entertained the Union at Mrs. Wright Atkins, Mrs. Wright asking each member to bring a donation to the poor of the city. All came and brought an abundance of flour, apples, canned goods and clothing. Mrs. Wright had a comfort ready for them to tie out, which was soon accomplished. Four White Ribboners are on the board of six, known as the County Board of Children's Guardians, in harmony with an act of our last legislature. Two new young lady members reported.

**North Vernon Union** has held its contest for Hadley, sending in \$5. This with a donation of \$5.25 previously sent the Treasurer of the Board, is very liberal for so small a Union. They held the Willard Memorial Service in the Methodist church. The interest was good.

**Fairmount Union** finds the yearly printed program quite a convenience. The Superintendents of the departments named have already had a special program this year. Scientific Temperance, Purity, Peace and Arbitration, Systematic Giving, Sabbath Observance and two Mother's Meetings. Also a special meeting on The Army Canteen, a Frances E. Willard Memorial Service and a Mrs. L. M. N. Stephens Birthday Service. Nine other Superintendents have programs prepared, besides two Mother's Meetings, a Young Ladies' Day in August, four meetings for Quarterly reports, at three of which we have parliamentary drills by the Superintendent of that department, two general programs and a W. C. T. U. Rally, July 4, at which we expect to have a Young Men's Contest in the forenoon and James L. Gipe as speaker in the afternoon.

We are happy to announce two contests given, the net proceeds of which go to Hadley Industrial School. An L. T. L. contest at the Baptist church, March 8, in which six girls took part, resulted in raising \$14.00. A contest given at Fowlerton, Sabbath afternoon, March 23, in which nine young ladies and girls spoke, was very interesting. Standing room was at a premium, not all succeeding in getting inside the door. A male quartette from this place furnished the music. A collection of \$9.00 was taken.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson gave us a very helpful Parliamentary Drill last Friday afternoon; spoke to a large number of children in the assembly room of the South Public School Building at 4 o'clock and lectured at the Friend's church at night. The crowd was not large on account of the continued rain, but those present were well entertained.

**The State Prohibition Convention** was held in Indianapolis, April 15 and 16. The attendance was the largest ever known. The interest and enthusiasm was intense. More than one thousand people came in on the railroads, who were present at some of the meetings.

**In the Death of Nathan Coggs**, the father of Mrs. Sarah Lenfesty, of Marion, the church has lost a valuable member and the State a courageous, patriotic citizen, who had the courage of his convictions.

**Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson** spent Sunday and Saturday night in Huntington. A very large house greeted her on Sunday night in the M. E. church. She gave "Five Boys in Knee Pants," greatly to the pleasure of the Union.

**A Loyal Temperance Legion** was organized at Andrews, Huntington County, Indiana, March 15, by Mrs. Elnora G. Zent, of Roanoke, who is the county L. T. L. Secretary. Twenty-nine children signed the triple pledge, which was considered a fine showing.

**Mrs. Cammack-Gibson** held a fine meeting at Roanoke, March 16. She did the Local Union much good by her coming.

**Jonesboro Union** held a Matron's Contest on the evening of April 1. The Presbyterian church was well filled and the seven contestants appeared in ancient costumes and recited fearlessly and effectively their good selections. Mrs. Gulia Shugart, County President, conducted the class. The Silver Medal was awarded to Mrs. Mary Eaton, Local Superintendent of Contest Work. The net proceeds will be forwarded to the Industrial School for Girls.

**The Contest Superintendent of Nappanee Union**, Mrs. Florence Whiteman, has held two very successful silver medal contests since the last State Convention. One, December 10. The last, March 21. The winner of medal at the former was Miss Dinah Frazier, subject "Nell;" at the latter, Miss Clara Whiteman. Subject, "The Potter's Field." At the last contest all the contestants except Miss Whiteman received a Miss Willard Book Mark. Both contests were well attended, the latter especially so, at which the Silver Offering at the door amounted to \$17.95. All went away pleased, and we believe with a feeling at the heart that our beloved land must soon be free from this curse.

**A Matrons' Contest** was held at Jonesboro, recently, with a fine musical program. Our State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson, presided with usual ease and grace. All contestants were dressed in plain black and wore white neckerchiefs. Their hair was parted in the middle and combed smooth. One woman 60 years old had not spoken a "piece" for 50 years, yet she spoke fine, without a blunder. It is the Holy spirit back of mothers' love that prompts our women to do these things. The contestants were: Emma Hawkins, Claissa S. Spence, Emiline Hill, Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Mary Eaton, Almeda Small and Pharaa Pierson. The medal was won by Mary Eaton.

**On the Walls of the Sanatorium of the Mineral Springs Company**, at Spiceland, Indiana, there is a complete set of the larger pictures belonging to the Picture Branch of our department of Purity in Literature and Art. They are much admired. Dr. G. D. Baily is President of the Mineral Springs Company, and his wife, Mrs. Susan Baily, is our enthusiastic State Superintendent of the department of Purity in Literature and Art.

**Danville, Hendricks County**, reports contest, with \$25.10 door fee. Mrs. Emma Ratliff, chairman.

**Northeast Union**, Indianapolis, held a week's meeting, afternoon and evening, with the best of speakers at each service. A real temperance revival. We had ten members added to our list, of which we are very proud. Our meetings met the approbation of all, not a voice against them. I believe each Union would do well to follow this effort and have the needs of temperance taught in each meeting. In the afternoon meetings we had motherhood and its duties taught, with good interest in each meeting. What we most need is to place before our women what they can do to forward this great movement. The last night of the meeting only one woman left the house who did not wear the white ribbon, and she will soon. Only Eternity will tell the result of this week's meeting.

**Rockport Union** held special Memorial Service for our beloved leader Frances Willard at the home of Mrs. Mary Graham, February 25.

Program—Welcome words, by the President; Singing, "Press On," White Ribbon Hymnal; Bible Reading, "Crusade Psalm;" Prayer, Rev. Dr. E. H. Wood; "Sketches of Miss Willards Life," by Mrs. Hackleman; also some beautiful quotations from Dr. Keipher's memorial sermon; Singing 162, White Ribbon Hymnal; a pleasing recitation, Margery Hackleman; quotations, by members; Singing, "Some Glad Day;" Solo, "What We Shall Be," and beautiful selection, Mrs. Pearl Basye; Remarks by Rev. Dr. E. H. Wood were thoroughly appreciated; "Eulogy to Miss Willard by Mrs. Graham Martin.

The reading by Miss Hicks was to quote the sentiment of those present, alone worth coming to hear, without the other interesting items on the program. Remarks were made by Mr. Whitehouse.

After Margery Hackleman's beautiful song, all joined in singing, "God Be With You." With large attendance and much interest manifested this completed a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

**Cedar Union**, of Randolph County, held a very interesting meeting on March 18, at the home of Rev. Arbelia Wright. There was good attendance, several honoraries being present. Our hostess presented a very able paper on "Purity and Reform." She called particular attention to the fact that society shields and protects so much sin and crime. Mrs. Miranda Thornburg gave the poem "The Ambulance or the Fence." Both papers were highly commented on.

**Mrs. K. T. A. Straw** organized a promising Senior Legion of twenty members at Sugar Grove, with the following young people as officers: President, Miss Lulu, Greensburg; Secretary, Mr. Vinton Davidson; Treasurer, Mr. Clinton Stewart. The Branch Secretary is Mrs. Ida H. Rust, New Richmond Rural Free Delivery. Committees on New Members, Flower Mission, Young Crusader, Music and Socials, to be appointed later.

**Burlington Union** is still working in the Contest work. Quite a while ago a class for the L. T. L. Silver Medal was formed of eight girls, and the night was very bad and only a small crowd was had. Ruby Witter received the medal. Recitation, "The Converted Rumseller." Then, April 2, we took them out in the country to the Salem church. Only five contestants were present. Blanche Ridenour received medal on recitation, "The Old Man's Account of the Meeting." A nice evening was had and a large audience. Little Rowena James spoke the collection piece. A recitation from Ruby Witter and Hazel Kelly was enjoyed, and Grace Cleaver spoke "The Old Woman's Complaint." Good music was had and all enjoyed the meeting.

**Brazil W. C. T. U.** held a "Father's Meeting" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Carpenter the evening of March 26, which was a success in every particular. The program was carried out as arranged by the committee. Rev. Bentley, of the Methodist church, talked for a short time on the "Financial Backing of the Rum Power," and his carefully prepared statistics in this direction were appalling. Rev. Gregory, of the Presbyterian church, followed with a talk on "The Relation of Temperance Reform to the Labor Question." He was very earnest in his remarks, and his strong point was to get a man's heart right and the tendency to the drink habit would not exist. Mrs. Bentley spoke last, on "The Duty of Fathers" and she included the mothers. Her talk was very interesting and truly profitable to all present. Special vocal and instrumental music was much enjoyed. At the conclusion of the program refreshments of coffee, cream and cake were served and the social part of the occasion was all that could be desired. To all the Unions, we would recommend "The Fathers' Meeting," as well as the "Mothers' Meeting."

**The Bridgeport Union** held a very successful anniversary meeting at its meeting in March. Seven years ago this Union was organized with ten members, now we have twenty-two. One paper on "What our Union has been since its organization," told us we could never know the good we have done, and the influence of each individual member; the bow of ribbon white means more than many think. Another paper on "Why am I a member of the W. C. T. U.?" showed the truly pure and noble purposes of this organization. "The W. C. T. U.," said the writer, "has done more for the banishment of drink than any other organization. If we love our homes and loved ones better than the world, we must be on the side of right. For these reasons, and believing that the W. C. T. U. organization is working for the upbuilding of our homes and country, and that which is pure and right, I am a member of the W. C. T. U." The charter members feel that our Union has certainly been improving.

**A Debate** by women is considered by many as a great curiosity, which perhaps is one reason for woman's timidity in this line; but notwithstanding these hindrances, the women of the Bridgeport Union held a most interesting and spirited debate at their February meeting. The subject was, "Resolved, That we are educating the child's mind at the expense of his body," and, with this interesting subject, women, for once, were thoroughly aroused to the points of debating. The judges decided in favor of the negative.

**The Sikeston, Mo., W. C. T. U.** endeavored to persuade the city council to grant no saloon licenses, but was met with the argument that the city needed the saloon revenue. The members thereupon promised that if the saloons were closed each member of the Union would raise a large fat hog each year to help pay the running expenses of the city. They said, they preferred raising hogs rather than boys for that purpose.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. ELIZABETH SHOEMAKER**—God has taken unto Himself another one of His faithful soldiers and Argos Union realizes the loss it sustains in her going home. She was among the first to lend her influence in our cause and continued a steadfast member until her death. Next September she would have been eighty years old. What a joy to have been associated with these venerable characters.

**MRS. A. B. FOSDICK**—Death has again entered our ranks and taken from us the one we termed the mother of our Union. Mrs. Fosdick and Miss Anna Davis, who so recently laid down life's cares, made a house to house canvass in March, 1890 to secure enough ladies, who pledged to take up the work, to be sure of a Union before Miss Palmer came to organize. Since that date nine of our sisters have been promoted and fifteen have changed place of residence. Miss Davis always paid her dues promptly that she "might not wear the white ribbon unworthily," and she always displayed her emblem of purity no matter what her work, or how old her dress; also kept her badge on each of her outside wraps, even to the shawl rapped about her in her illness. Let us follow her example of steadfastness.



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## THE WORLD'S SEVEN WONDERS.

The Pyramids first, which in Egypt were laid;  
Next Babylon's garden, for Amytis made;  
Then Mausolus' tomb of affection and guilt;  
Fourth, the Temple of Diana, in Ephesus built;  
The Colossus of Rhodes, cast in brass, to the sun;  
Sixth, Jupiter's statue, by Phidias done;  
The Pharos of Egypt, last wonder of old,  
Or Palace of Cyrus, cemented with gold.

## BABY LOGIC.

She was ironing her doll's new gown,  
Maid Marian, four years old,  
With her brows puckered down  
In a painstaking frown,  
Under her tresses of gold.

'Twas Sunday, and nurse coming in,  
Exclaimed in a tone of surprise:  
"Don't you know it's a sin  
Any work to begin  
On the day that the Lord sanctifies?"

Then, lifting her face like a rose,  
Thus answered the wise little tot:  
"Now don't you suppose  
The good Lord he knows  
This little iron ain't hot?"

—Elizabeth W. Bellamy.

Medal Workers will order books and medals at 1514 Vernon Ave., Louisville, Ky., until further notice.  
MARY E. BALCH.

## STATE TREASURER'S LETTER.

The close of the third quarter of this year is near at hand. Blanks will be sent out to all County Treasurers and to all Local Treasurers in unorganized counties the last week in this month. I wonder, sometimes, if you grow weary of this announcement; but, for the benefit of the new treasurers and some others who sometimes forget, it seems necessary that it should be repeated. These blanks should be in the hands of the Local Treasurers in less than a week. If they, from any failure on the part of Uncle Sam or any other person, do not reach you, please write for them and ask that others be sent at once.

Again let me call your attention to the by-law which says, "Any woman may become a member by endorsing the constitution, paying an annual membership of \$1.00, of which 40 cents shall be paid for State dues, 15 cents for County dues, 20 cents for Local Union dues and 25 cents for the Official Organ." By the passage of this by-law it makes it just as obligatory upon the Local Union and Y's to send the 25 cents for the State paper as it does to send State and County dues. The 25 cents belong to the State, to meet the expenses of publishing the State paper. The fact that two members reside in the same family does not change the by-law. If two copies are not desirable, send the name of some one else to whom you desire the paper sent. If no name is supplied, then the State supplies the name. No one is a full member of the W. C. T. U. until the full dollar is paid and the proper division of the money is made. No doubt you have all read the State Treasurer's report, in the May MESSAGE, and have made note of the fact that your county is or is not in the published list. If not, I am sure you want to be in the next, and that every effort will be put forth that you possibly can to be there. Many Unions are doubling and some more than doubling their membership and are making rapid strides in arousing Christian people to their full duty to stand up and be counted on the right side of this liquor question. A new Union of 42 members has just been organized by Miss Mary Hadley, in Franklin, Johnson county. Twenty of those paid their dues the day of organization; others will pay at once. This Union is well officered and promises to be a fine Union. Will not every county put forth extra effort in one special place, make house-to-house visits, give each person visited a copy of the "Annual Leaflet" and the Leaflet "What the National W. C. T. U. Has Done"? Take with you the Pledge Cards, asking every one you visit to sign and become a member. You will find some not ready to join. Invite them especially to your meeting for organization and many will be there.

The 42 members secured at Franklin was the result of only four days' canvass. If your county cannot do this work yourselves, call some one to help you. If necessary, give an entire week for this one Union. To every Union thus organized with 40 paid members, two days' work will be given, free, by one of the State Organizers.

Now, dear Sisters, try this plan, and, if successful, Indiana can again be on Benefit Night at the National. In this plan an Organizer may be called to help you; give her a list of those you want called on. If the 40 paid members are secured, you will not need to pay her for two of the days. Do not say "We cannot do it" until you have made the effort. Franklin secured the members and is delighted. You will be equally pleased. If every county will do this, all bills will be paid, with a surplus in the Treasury.

In His Name, try it! Let every member pray to work earnestly for success, and He will give you the victory.

Yours for active service,  
AMANDA T. WHITSON.

In the Education of the Blind the use of the type-writer forms a very important part. Its use is a great convenience and help to those who can only with great difficulty ever learn to write legibly. So expert do they become in the use of the type-writer that on several large pages not a mistake will be made.

## ANNUAL PIC-NIC TO HADLEY SCHOOL.

On June 25 occurs the Annual Pic-nic at Hadley School. Bring your baskets and take the morning train at Union Station, Indianapolis, in special coach, which will remain on side-track at Hadley for the day and return to Union Station at 5:30 P. M. Morning train leaves station at 7:15 A. M. Fare for round trip, 75 cents.

This affords an opportunity to spend a day in and near the school. There will be a Silver Medal contest and songs and a drill by the girls.

Cheer them by your presence.

## LETTER TO CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

By the time this MESSAGE reaches you the blanks for the June report will be in your hands. The supply of old blanks and local record books having been exhausted, we took advantage of this opportunity to revise the questions, eliminating all which pertain to finances and which properly belong in a treasurer's report. The new questions which have been added make the blank more in harmony with the National Secretary's blank, and we believe you will be pleased with the changes.

The first question which will arise in your mind will be in regard to your unfilled record book. You can use your book by simply changing four questions with pen and ink. When new books are printed they will be in harmony with the blanks, but we will probably not have them before the first of the year.

I was much gratified over the improved condition of the March reports. The blanks were filled out more carefully and accurately and were sent in more promptly. I am hoping for even better results in June.

Thanking you for your response and co-operation,  
I am, Loyally yours,  
MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## GREETING TO INDIANA WHITE RIBBONERS.

On account of the removal of Mrs. Clara Balch from our State to Kentucky and consequent resignation as Business Manager of the MESSAGE, I have been chosen to fill her unexpired term of office. Having been connected with the paper since its beginning, I am greatly interested in its success. As I read over the names of the subscribers there is many a heart throb as a precious memory comes to me at the sight of a name. Dear sisters, I need your hearty co-operation in every line of endeavor for our blessed cause. Please send me items of news and suggestions, and be sure and send me a postal telling me if you fail to receive the MESSAGE by the third of the month. I am anxious that every woman who wears the white ribbon in our State shall have the MESSAGE promptly. Help me by your prayers. I need them. Depending upon each of you for loyal, loving co-operation,  
I am, most cordially,

LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER,  
Editor and Business Manager the MESSAGE.  
2812 College ave., Indianapolis.

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

There are some very encouraging results of our work of the past few months. The organization of some large and promising Unions, and the coming of so many bright and enthusiastic young women, to our ranks, is encouraging. It is very clear to my mind that our cause is making head-way along the lines of reform, as never before. Grant county has now reached the high water mark of five hundred members. This gain over last year has not been brought about without work and much thoughtful planning on the part of our leaders. But what they have done others can do. The last quarter of the year will soon be here; let us work and believe for a "land slide" our way in membership. Mrs. Stevens, our National President, has expressed her belief that Indiana would be one of the states that would have a gain of five hundred members this year. I hope we may not disappoint her. Indiana must have a corner on the platform, Benefit Night, at the National Convention, at Portland, Maine.

I wish we might have had a sufficient amount of those circular letters, sent out by the National Officer, about the Temple in Chicago, to have sent one to each one of you. Now it is not for me to dictate to you how you shall spend money, but dear hearts, I regret that those people who still cling to that Temple project should still persist in sending out letters misrepresenting our relations to it, to the women of my

State, after they have been asked not to do so. I am sure we have abundant opportunity to give of our means where we can have reason to expect good results in the future. With unbounded love and confidence in the women of Indiana,

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## AGAINST "REGULATED" VICE.

Much of the credit for the partial abolition of the State regulation of vice in the Philippines is due to Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, of Washington, D. C. She has been untiring in her efforts to convince prominent officials of the iniquity of the system, and failing in this, to make the facts known to the country. The result of the revelations was such a pressure of public opinion that the War Department was obliged to act.

There was a strong disposition in some quarters to smother the facts. Mrs. Ellis made an earnest appeal before the Woman's National Council and secured the adoption of strong resolutions by that body. She showed the officers of the Suffrage Association and the Council the official registration-book issued by the U. S. authorities to one of the child prostitutes of the Philippines, whose name, translated, is "Mary of the Cross." Her photograph (the photograph of each "registered" woman was required to be pasted on the front of her book to identify her) was the portrait of a girl seemingly about twelve years old, with a childlike face and big, pathetic, dark eyes. The book contains the official records of her regular examinations by a government surgeon, and his signature testifying to her state of health.

Mrs. Ellis left this dreadful little book at the White House, to be shown to the President; she placed it in the hands of a number of members of Congress. Finally she published a circular, giving the facts and a facsimile of the portrait, and left a copy in sealed envelope at the house of every member of the Congressional Committee on the Philippines, besides sending copies out elsewhere. This was on February 17. On February 19 the following order was cabled to Manila:

"Wright, Manila: It is considered advisable that upon medical examination of prostitutes no fees be charged and no certificates of examination given. Medical officers can keep their own records of names, descriptions, residences, and dates of examination, and it is believed that the necessary protection against disease can in a great measure be secured in this way without the liability of a misunderstanding and the charge of maintaining a system of licensed prostitution. Root."

The circulars left at the homes of the Congressmen fell into the hands of their wives, and stirred them to womanly indignation. The public began to wake up to the facts, and a storm arose. Mrs. Ellis had an interview a few days ago with Col. C. R. Edwards, chief of the insular division in the War Department. In a letter to the *Union Signal* she says:

"He asked if I knew who had been sending out the circulars with the picture of the Filipino girl? I replied, 'I sent them.' With a laugh he rejoined, 'Well, it was legitimate, but it has swamped us; ten clerks were employed answering the mail, which reached from the floor to my shoulders, and I have been late into the evening working myself. We expect soon to issue a book answering the many questions we have received, and it will not be a small book, either.'"

Before making her appeal to the public through the circular, Mrs. Ellis, representing the W. C. T. U., had repeatedly asked Governor Taft to accord her a ten minute's interview, but on the plea of lack of strength he declined to receive her, although he was strong enough to speak at public dinners, besides testifying daily before the Senate Committee on the Philippines. If Mrs. Ellis had represented as many organized voters as she did organized W. C. T. U. women, Governor Taft would probably have found himself strong enough to see her. The W. C. T. U., through its wide organization and friendly relations with clergymen of many denominations, has been able to do most effective work in stirring up public opinion.

We call the attention of all persons interested to the fact that the State regulation of vice has been only partially abolished, since its central feature, the effort to make vice safe by the compulsory examination of women, is still continued; and so long as this is the case, the time for protests is not over. Mr. Roosevelt should be urged to go on and complete the good work he has begun.—From *The Woman's Column*.

On July 1 the revenue tax on beer and other fermented liquors will be reduced from \$1.60 to \$1 per barrel.

The occasion for this reduction is the repeal of the war tax. This repeal of the war tax will also affect bankers, brokers, dealers in grain and securities, pawn-brokers, proprietors of theaters and circuses and other shows, bowling alleys, billiard halls and tobacco, which have been subjected to special taxes.

THE EMPLOYEES OF THE STREET CAR LINES SHOULD RECEIVE BOUQUETS ON FLOWER MISSION DAY.



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In editorial Mrs. Mary Wood-Allen writes: "The American Mother believes in sunshine. The editorial sanctum is a small room, but it is flooded with the light from seven large windows. Whenever I look up from my writing I see green fields and blue sky, and I can feel the genial warmth of the sun at all times. Blessed sunshine! I wish all tired women knew the virtue of sunlight as a tonic and invigorator. It is ever so much better than quinine or sarsaparilla for 'that tired feeling.' Housekeepers live too constantly indoors and do not invite outdoors to come in, as they might. There are not so many closed up 'best rooms' nowadays as there were fifty years ago, and yet the housekeeper's instinct seems to be to throw down the window shade when the sun looks in. No friend comes with a surer promise of help and good cheer than comes the sun. Let us recognize it and invite him to visit every corner of our homes. To be sure, we can shut him out when in the July days he becomes too ardent, but every morning, the whole year through, we should rejoice to open our houses to his visits and to live in the light of his countenance.

"I have a porch where the sun shines all the fore part of the day, clear up till noon or after, and here I have my hammock stretched and my rocking chair placed and here I live all summer long. Here I sit and write or lie and rest. Here I take my afternoon naps, and here I receive my guests and here we often eat our meals, making of them a delightful picnic while we lessen the labors of the cook.

"Do you really know the pleasure of eating out of doors? Of course I do not advocate elaborate meals served, with an extra number of steps, because the table is set out under the trees or on the piazza. I mean simple fare, taken *al fresco*, or 'in the fresh,' as the Italians say. I used often to see them in their own land eating at their little tables on the sidewalks before restaurants, or under a picture of a vine or tree painted on a wall, and I wished that we in our own land were as fond of living out of doors. The Italians have another fashion of taking daily what they call their *dolce far niente*, their 'sweet do-nothing.' I wish our busy women would adopt this custom.

"Put up a hammock under the trees or a cot on the porch, and every day take your *dolce far niente al fresco*, your 'sweet do-nothing in the fresh.'"

## NON-ALCOHOLICS.

It is quite encouraging to me that so many of the counties and Local Unions are appointing Superintendents of this Department. There are, however, a large per cent. that have not done so, because of so many Departments already taken up, and perhaps no one can be found suitable for the place. If no woman can be found, let me suggest that one of your honoraries be appointed. I am delighted to know that Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, has been appointed Superintendent of this Department in their new Union. The 1st of July is the date for the contest on Non-Alcoholic Medication recitations to close. If your Union has not already secured one or more, please make the effort at once. Is your Superintendent or Union making the Non-Alcoholic Scrap-book The *Phalanx* contains a column on this subject almost every week. You can not afford to miss reading them and clipping them for your book. The articles contain much valuable information from eminent physicians and scientists. No one can read these articles carefully and feel that this subject is not of

the very greatest importance to every person and Union in the State. I hope every Union and County in the State will soon see the importance of having a Superintendent appointed and report the name at once to your State Superintendent.

Please do not fail to fill out your blank report at the close of this quarter. If you have not reported during the past two quarters, please report all that has been done up to this time. If the Unions and Counties do not report to me I can have no report for the National Superintendent.

Send to your State or National Superintendent for literature on this subject. To be informed on this line is to be convinced.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

## THE DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND ARBITRATION

Has sent out the following: "In compliance with a plan suggested by Mrs. May Wright Sewall, Chairman of the Peace Committee of the International Council of Women, and endorsed by Mrs. H. J. Bailey, National Superintendent of Peace and Arbitration in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, I heartily recommend that we in Indiana arrange for and hold a Peace Meeting of some kind in every county, and, as far as possible, in each local Union, on or near the 15th or 18th day of May. The date is placed in the month of May in commemoration of the World's Peace Congress, which was held at The Hague in May, 1899, and which resulted in the organization of the World's Permanent Court of Arbitration.

"Let it be the object of these meetings to awaken increased desire for peace in the public heart, and to present the reasonableness and the possibility of the establishment and the maintenance of national life and safety without recourse to war; and further,

"Let this be the beginning of a campaign for peace, to be continued through the summer, and reported at the assembling of our annual convention in October.

"The plan of work in this department is indicated by the questions on the report blanks. Let meetings be held, sermons preached, papers written, literature circulated, addresses given, and let all work be reported carefully, so that we may show a decided advance on the work of previous years.

"Write for literature or for further information to  
Yours cordially,

H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Sup't Peace and Arbitration, Indiana W. C. T. U.  
Richmond, Indiana."

In Indianapolis there was held a very notable Peace demonstration on May 14, at 2:30 P. M., at the First Baptist church, Mrs. Eliza Blaker, President Local Council of Women, presiding. Addresses were made by Hon. Addison C. Harris and Mrs. May Wright Sewall. The White Ribboners were in attendance, in large numbers, composing at least half the audience. Great interest prevailed.

## ORGANIZATION.

Our warfare is a continuous one. We cannot stop for heat or cold, shine or shower, because our foe is ever alert and busy; but there are seasons when certain lines of work can be carried on most easily, and the beautiful month of June is an ideal one for organization. I earnestly ask your co-operation in bringing up our new organization to the one hundred mark, and I solicit your correspondence in regard to this work. Since our last State Convention 23 Unions have been organized, with an aggregate membership of 200 active and 50 honorary members. Vigo County is in the lead, having secured six new organizations since March. One was organized by Mrs. Squier, one by Mrs. McDaniels and four by Miss Hadley. Mrs. Stahl, President of Blackford County, added two Unions to her County in February. The largest new Union in the State was organized at Bremen, Marshall County, by Mrs. M. A. Tompkins.

Dear Co-workers, will you not take steps at once to increase the membership of your Union or secure a new organization? Choose your women, pray them into the work. Send them the Annual Leaflet and "What the National W. C. T. U. has Accomplished," so that they may know of our broad plans and practical methods.

A recent letter from a National Officer says that they are expecting Indiana to come in on Benefit Night at the Portland Convention. Our President has replied that we expect to be there. Let us rally to the standard of the White Ribbon Army and march forward to victory.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## HADLEY SCHOOL.

This is a time of general health and activity at the school. Garden and farm crops are mostly planted, young chicks and turkeys are becoming numerous, and the calves and pigs are delighting the little girls and giving them exercise in the choice of proper names.

Edith Eaton, one of the older girls, is succeeding well in teaching the younger girls since our free school closed. Numerous gifts have been recently received and are greatly appreciated.

Two loyal and enterprising members of our organization gladdened our hearts by the presentation of a valuable and nice appearing two seated carriage. Mrs. Lydia A. Binford and her sister, Mrs. Deborah Binford, drove through from their homes in Hancock county and delivered it in first-class condition. Mrs. Deborah Binford's husband gave the carriage to

Westland Union, and the Union put it in first-class order, not forgetting dusting brush, foot rugs, etc. We who must make trips through the county by private conveyance remember these ladies with appreciation every time we go. The Carthage Union, of same county, sent by them in the carriage a set of decorated dishes, which were also highly gratifying. There have also been boxes of fruit and useful articles about house and kitchen department which were greatly needed and thankfully received.

Dear sisters, these remembrances make us feel we are not alone in caring for Hadley School, and we feel stronger in the work.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## NATIONAL W. C. T. U.—DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATION.

I desire to call attention to a matter of vast importance to the men and women coming to our shores, and which reflects most seriously upon us as a Christian Nation. It is in reference to ports of entry, more especially at the great port of New York, where thousands of immigrants land weekly and almost daily. We find, upon investigation, that there is not suitable provision made for their comfort and protection; especially is this true of women and children.

Mothers, with babies in their arms, and children, clinging to their skirts, after being huddled together in the steerage, are often compelled to wait many hours at Ellis Island before passing to their destination; these should certainly find nourishing refreshment for their bodily needs. The parties licensed to provide provision for the immigrants furnish nothing in the way of drinks but beer, soda water, sarsaparilla, etc.; no tea or coffee for a wearied mother, or a drop of milk for a sick and crying child, and this at the great gateway leading into this "land of promise."

Doctor Senner, at one time Chief Commissioner, although a German and not a total abstainer, has declared, "all the trouble he had with his employees there, rose from liquor."

Doctor Wheeler, a physician in charge, said: "The port would be in much better condition if the beer was entirely banished."

Mr. McSweeney is entirely opposed to it, and said if he had his way "not a drop more would be sold there."

Father McCaul, a Missionary Priest, said: "It exerted more bad influences than all other causes combined; specially was this a most pernicious influence in the case of girls."

And Miss Matthews, for a long time employed as a Missionary in the M. E. Church, has confirmed these statements.

Then, too, the fact that beer is provided in an official way commends itself to these people, and it is no wonder that out of 250,000 saloon keepers of the United States more than two-thirds are foreign born, when the first money they spend in this country is to Uncle Sam for beer.

On April 23 last a hearing was held before the Senate Committee on Immigration, Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, chairman, who is greatly interested in the welfare of the immigrant, and did not know of these conditions until we brought them before him, and a few days later he presented the following bill:

A BILL TO PREVENT THE SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS IN IMMIGRANT STATIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter it shall be unlawful to sell intoxicating liquors in any immigrant station owned or used by the United States Government or in the grounds appertaining to the same.

Sec. 2. That any violation of this act shall be deemed a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall for each separate offense be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Now, it is necessary to reach the other members of the committee, and we need your help.

Every Woman's Home Missionary Society—State, county or local—should be urged to pass a resolution condemning the situation, and asking the Senators to act. Letters from Pastors, as well as from other influential men and women of your community, should be sent to the members of the committee at once, urging them to push the matter. I do not think there will be any great opposition to the bill, only in the pressure of personal and great national questions, and coming toward the end of the session such matters as these are likely to be swallowed up and lost sight of, but if sufficient outside interest is taken, and letters and resolutions are sent to Senators, it will undoubtedly pass the Senate, and I have no doubt but that the House will concur. For the sake of the "stranger at our gates" let us help in this matter, remembering the words, "Inasmuch as ye did it to one of the least of these, ye did it unto me."

Letters, petitions or resolutions should be sent to either of the following gentlemen, members of the Senate Committee on Immigration:

Senator Boies Penrose, of Pennsylvania.

Senator Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indiana.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts.

Senator W. P. Dillingham, of Vermont.

Simply address them Washington, D. C., will be sufficient.

Kindly communicate with any of the above named gentlemen at your earliest convenience, and pass on this request to your friends, that others may be informed and lend their aid and influence.

MARGARET DYE ELLIS.



**Island Park W. C. T. U. Day** is Tuesday, August 5.

The W. C. T. U. is a strong feature in this Assembly work under Mrs. Mary E. Balch. It has so enlarged its field of usefulness as to have charge, this year, of its former work in Temperance Literature Distribution, Mothers' Meetings, etc.

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The Boys' and Girls' Classes in Elocution and Physical Culture. These Departments will be in charge of Miss Anna Quimby, of Edenton, Ohio, and other workers.

Mrs. S. M. Stahl, of Hartford City, will have charge of the Home Department—Mothers' and Children's Culture Meetings—and Mrs. Clara Balch, of Indianapolis, will superintend the Literature Booth with Mary Everston, of the same city, in charge of W. C. T. U. Home.

### MISS MARY HADLEY GREETED BY A FINE AUDIENCE AT MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH.

The union temperance meeting at the Missionary Baptist Church was a success and an event for our city which will be remembered. The different churches were represented and our ministers were out in full force. People drove in from the country and kept coming until the beautiful auditorium of this new and hospitable church was well filled. All listened with rapt attention to the speaker of the evening, Miss Mary Hadley, Vice-President of the Indiana W. C. T. U., whose lucid and pleasing discussion of the alcoholic and nicotine poisons brought a general verdict from the audience of "the most interesting presentation of the subject we have ever listened to." Charts were used for illustration. The young people were given something to think about. The children were delighted. Their apt and sometimes comical answers to questions proposed to them were diverting as well as complimentary to the excellent training given them by the teachers of our public schools.

After the close, organization was proposed and seconded by many; but as Miss Hadley passes on so soon to Institute work in another county, this must for the present be deferred. It is expected that in the future she will favor the many invitations extended to her to return to our city in the interest of the temperance work.—*Connersville Evening News, May 19.*

### THE STATE DEPARTMENT BOARD MEETING, JUNE 9, 10 AND 11.

At Lebanon, Ind., on Tuesday and Wednesday, meetings in the Baptist church. A reception Monday evening, the 9th, in Castle Hall parlors, 8 to 10 o'clock. The members of the local W. C. T. U. and the State Superintendents extend cordial invitations to friends of our cause in Lebanon and throughout the county and elsewhere to attend these social hours. This general invitation is the only one that will be issued, and it is hearty and sincere.

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 9 and 10, will be given to the discussion of plans and methods of Department Work. Morning meetings will begin at 9 o'clock, sharp, the afternoon at 1:45; 30 minutes for devotional services at each opening, in charge of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Houghton, Richmond, State Evangelist. Tuesday morning, subjects under discussion: "Organization and Prevention." Tuesday afternoon, "Education—What Education Has Done in the Past; Its Promise for the Future."

Wednesday morning, "Evangelistic Work—Manner, Scope, Power." Wednesday afternoon, "Our Opportunities from a social standpoint; and the Legal Field for a White Ribboner." Question Box.

The evening meetings will begin at 8 o'clock sharp; 15 minutes song and devotional services. Tuesday, platform night, addressed by our branch secretaries, lecturers and organizers. Collection. 9:30, adjournment.

Wednesday night, grand Gold Contest, by a class of matrons. The music will consist of a Musical Contest. Admission, 10 cents.

Superintendents should provide literature. Try tying with white ribbon in 5 and 10 cent rolls for sale.

An object lesson of our departments for decoration in the church. Superintendents, originate something. Do not forget to bring our State banners.

Arrange a meeting for your department going and coming, to help out on expenses.

Remember if we can have one hundred certificates signed at Lebanon it means one and one-third fare.

MARY E. BALCH, President.  
ADA B. LECK, Secretary.  
J. R. WOOD, Treasurer.

The brave little Cassell Union, of Denver, has raised the money, all alone, to purchase a Frances E. Willard memorial window for the People's Tabernacle, Parson Tom Uzzell's new church, and it will soon be in place, where the southwestern sun will glorify the face of our sainted leader, in full view of the thousands who will gather there for the next fifty years we hope.

And evermore beside him on the way,  
The unseen Christ shall move.  
That he may lean upon his arm and say,  
Dost thou, Lord, approve?

—Longfellow.

### INSTITUTES.

**Marion County Institute** held at Broad Ripple, April 17 and 18, with Miss Hadley as leader, was the most successful Institute ever held in the county. As it followed the Mid-year Executive, the General Officers and Y. Secretaries were all present and added much to the interest and enthusiasm of the meetings. The program as arranged was carried out in full, and the carefully prepared papers and instructive talks were most helpful. Every County Officer was present. There are fifteen Unions in the county, and ten were represented by a delegation of over fifty. The lecture and contest were well attended, and receipts about covered expenses.

**Floyd County Institute** was held at Galena, April 21 and 22, Miss Mary Hadley leader. The attendance was good. Mrs. J. H. Jones was the winner of the medal at the contest. Subject, Satan's Stronghold, an Original Story. By vote of the Institute, Mrs. Jones was requested to send it to the *Contest Journal* for publication. Several regular and honorary members were added to the New Albany Union.

**Washington County Institute** met in the Baptist church of Salem, April 28, with Miss Mary Hadley as leader, and Mrs. Mary Overman, the County President, presiding. The business session was held the morning of the first day, and in the afternoon the regular program was taken up. Mrs. Alice Menaugh took subscriptions to the *Union Signal*. In the evening Miss Hadley gave a lecture on "Scientific Temperance," to a large and appreciative audience. The second day was a very interesting and profitable one to all present. Department of Mercy was presented by Miss Hadley. The Bird Pledge was explained and five signatures were secured. A paper on "Peace and Arbitration" was read by Mrs. Ella Howard, of Livonia, and was so highly appreciated that the Institute asked that it be printed in the *Phalanx* and *MESSAGE*. "State and National Plans" were given by the leader. A paper on the "Expendency of an L. T. L." was read by Mrs. Tilla Minor, of Salem, which was full of good thought and instruction; this paper was discussed by Revs. Lloyd and Howard. "What the W. C. T. U. has accomplished," was presented by the leader and was very encouraging to all the White Ribboners present. The ladies of the Salem Union served a nice lunch at the church at noon, which was enjoyed very much by all present. In the afternoon a very interesting and instructive paper was read on the "Hadley Industrial School," by Pearl Menaugh. "What shall be the next step in Abolition of the Drink Traffic and the Tobacco Habit?" was then taken up. "What shall be the next step taken by the churches?" was presented by Rev. Lloyd and discussed by Rev. Bachelor; by the Sunday School, Rev. Howard; by the Medical Profession, Dr. Overman. The Institute appreciated the service of Miss Hadley so highly that a vote of thanks was extended to her by the Institute. A Silver Medal contest was held in the evening, consisting of seven young ladies. The program was interspersed with good singing and instrumental music. Flora Hobbs won the medal. The subject of her recitation was, "The Tragedy of a Life."

**Floyd County Institute** was held at Galena April 21 and 22. Institute was called to order by our County President, as our Leader did not arrive at Galena until afternoon session had adjourned. Monday afternoon Mrs. Jones gave a very interesting talk on the different departments of the W. C. T. U. and especially on Systematic Giving and Literature. The sweet, Christian spirit of Mrs. Jones ran through every thought expressed by her and was highly appreciated. Mrs. Lyons gave a beautiful talk on the mission work. Monday night Miss Hadley gave a very instructive lecture on Scientific Temperance, illustrated. She presented her facts in a very forcible manner and completely captivated her audience. Tuesday morning the Institute Leader, in a very interesting way told of the growth of the W. C. T. U. An excellent paper read by Miss Maie Pritchett, subject "A Call to Young Women—How the Honoraries Can Help," was voted by Institute to be sent to the *Phalanx* for publication. The afternoon session was equally interesting. On the evening of April 22 a W. C. T. U. Contest was held, in which there were four contestants. Mrs. J. H. Lyons was awarded the medal. Subject: "Satan's Stronghold." It was her own composing and was especially requested to be sent to *Contest Journal*. We had three regular members and two honorary members added to our Union. Miss Hadley's magnetic influence was keenly felt throughout the Institute, and her pleasing manner and personality have won her many warm friends in our town, who will gladly welcome her to our county again.

**Elkhart County Institute** was held in the M. E. church at Wakarusa, May 15 and 16, with Mrs. Rose Pearce as Leader. The County President, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, presiding. A consecration service was held, the Leader telling us that we W. C. T. U. women were such busy women that when we get together at an Institute or convention we are so apt to hurry on to the business part of the program that we sometimes forget to consecrate ourselves and our work to God. The devotional exer-

cises of the afternoon were conducted by Rev. Miller, of the Christian church. The afternoon subjects under discussion were "National and State Plans of Work," by Mrs. Tompkins. This subject was well handled and brought forth quite a discussion. "How to Secure Superintendents for Our Work," was presented by Mrs. Troxel, of Elkhart. This also was a good subject for discussion. We were told that Presidents should know and understand their members before appointing them as Superintendents. The question as to how should the family of a saloon keeper be treated by the W. C. T. U. was quite thoroughly sifted.

On Thursday evening the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Dudley, of the Mennonite church. There was fine music by the M. E. choir and other young folks, followed by a lecture by Mrs. Pearce and only those who have heard her can appreciate the treat we had. On Friday morning the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Hollopeter of the M. E. church. Mrs. Vail, of Goshen, presented the subject of "Duties of Officers." This was well handled by different ones present. "In What Does the Influence of the W. C. T. U. consist?" was the subject of a well prepared paper read by Mrs. Phenix, of Middlebury. This also brought forth suggestions. Friday afternoon Dr. Barwick, of Wakarusa, read a paper on "Non-Alcoholic Medication" which was fine. Rev. Hollopeter gave us a talk on "Peace and Arbitration." Rev. Miller, a talk on the Mercy and Help Department. All subjects were ably presented, which brought forth some interesting suggestions. Mrs. Tompkins gave us a talk on the Hadley Home, which was quite interesting and instructive. In all the discussions and work of the Institute we were so much benefited and instructed by the sweet and gentle comments from our Leader, who was ever ready to enlighten us on any subject. On Friday evening a Medal Contest was given by eight young ladies of Wakarusa to a crowded house. The contest was arranged by the President, Mrs. Swartz, and the Wakarusa Union. They felt well repaid for their efforts, as they received inspiration and strength from the Institute. Miss Vena Atchison received the medal. "The Drunkard's Dream," was the title of her recitation. The Institute appreciated the musical and literary help received from the town people. It was such a help.

**Madison County** held a most successful Institute at Pendleton on May 5 and 6. Miss Alice Palmer, already well known to the readers of the *MESSAGE*, met with us. She and our County President, Mrs. Retta Jones, made the Institute a smooth running, never-flagging-in-interest Convention. Miss Mae Connett, of Ohio, proved to be an acquisition to the White Ribboners, and gave several practical talks on physical culture. Miss Palmer spoke on the first evening to a large audience. She talked of the New England rum that is being sent out to heathen lands; of the idea prevalent in foreign lands that liquor drinking and Christianity go hand in hand. She spoke well on the unity of the liquor traffic and the division of the temperance people. Miss Palmer is thoroughly posted on temperance matters and speaks with an earnestness that strikes conviction to the hearts of the people.

The second day's session brought out some very practical suggestions. The work of the Department of Mercy was presented by Miss Palmer, who talked of the "sweat shops," even those so near at home as in Indianapolis. The women who purchased ready-made garments were urged to see that the Consumers label was on such garments, and know that such a label is a certificate that the article was made under sanitary conditions and the maker had received reasonable wages for the work.

The query, "What has the W. C. T. U. Accomplished?" brought forth the fact that it had not only accomplished much for its own members in renewed consecration and development of character, but had been the means of having many good laws passed, notably the one requiring Scientific Temperance instruction in schools, the Anti-Canteen law, Anti-Cigarette law, etc.

The symposium, "What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and the Tobacco Habit?" was the feature of interest the last afternoon. Miss Palmer spoke for the church, which should come out openly and throw open its doors as a recruiting office for enlisting against this traffic. Mrs. McMahon believed the schools should teach physical as well as mental development. Mr. Collis believed young people should be imbued with temperance principles and that young men should vote for a law granting suffrage to women. Mrs. Cascadden believed the press should refuse liquor and tobacco ads, refuse articles sanctioning the use of these things; publish articles favoring temperance and anti-narcotic work. Mrs. Stoner believed that women should agitate and educate; should make a greater demonstration on the occasion of temperance meetings and have more faith. The little Misses Ora Hester and Ethel Hardman gave recitations, and Mrs. Riley, of Alexandria, read an excellent paper on "How to Stand for what is exalted in Christian Citizenship."

The Pendleton people are good people to be among. Frank Pyke, one of their young men, had decorated the church beautifully, the choir rendered special music, and it was a delightful Institute all round.

**Bartholomew County Institute** was held at Hartsville, May 1 and 2. In the forenoon May 1, a consecration service was held. The afternoon session

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had to be adjourned until after 4 o'clock on account of a funeral. The Institute was then organized by County President, Mrs. Jennie Guffey. Memorial services were held in remembrance of our departed White Ribboners, Mrs. Paulina Rawlings, Mrs. Laura Phillipy and Bro. Tyner. The Silver Medal Contest was one of the finest ever held in the State. It was composed of young ladies, who acquitted themselves creditably. Miss Nora Sanders won the medal. Some very fine music was rendered and especially by a quartette of young men.

May 2 was crowded full of interesting and instructive elements. The symposium, "What Shall Be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Tobacco Habit and Drink Traffic?" was exceedingly interesting, as was the eloquent address made by Rev. Grimes upon "How to Stand for What is Exalted in Citizenship." Two subscriptions to the *Union Signal* were received. Three honorary members, two to Hope Union and one to Petersburg, were added. All of which are ministers. Miss Hadley's lecture upon the subject, "The Effects of Alcoholic and Other Narcotic Poisons on the System" was well received. We believe that the Institute was a success in that good was accomplished and the White Ribboners came from it with new zeal and courage for their work.

### WINNING ORATORS FROM TWELVE STATES TO COMPETE.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 17.—The outlook to-day at the office of the National Secretary for the approaching National Oratorical Contest of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association is the brightest ever known in the history of College Prohibition work. Twelve will be represented at Lincoln, Neb., June 4 and 5, each orator having previously won first prize at a closely competed State contest. None but the very best oratorical talent of the colleges has been able to gain admission to this contest. The orations so far received are of a distinctly higher quality in composition and thought and together contain some of the strongest arguments for Prohibition ever written.

This is the first time that representatives from the opposite shores of the nation have been brought together in contest by the association and probably it will be the best and largest ever held in the country by any college organization. The convention and contest will occupy two days and in addition to the strong oratorical talent from the colleges, some of the best Prohibition speakers of the country will be present and address the various sessions. The national officers of the association, all of whom are thoroughly experienced in the college work, will speak at various times and have charge of special conferences of local and State work. The program opens at 1 p. m., Wednesday, June 4, with reception of Delegates and Contestants, followed by opening of convention. Welcome Address, Chancellor, D. W. C. Huntington, Nebraska Wesleyan University. Address, College Students and Prohibition, Oliver W. Stewart, National Chairman. President's Annual Address, President D. Leigh Colvin, University of California. In the evening will be held Oratorical Contest, Auditorium, Lincoln. Music. Winning State orators in following order: Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Oregon and possibly North Dakota. Decision of Judges and Awarding of Prizes. Thursday, June 5, Conference and Business Session.

### FIELD NOTES.

**South Bend Central Union** is working quietly but thoroughly, especially with Literature—1,250 pages of Scientific Temperance Instruction leaflets were given to the members of the State Teachers' Association, recently held here; also, 1,000 pages of "Who is Responsible?" by Bishop Fitzgerald. All of the churches of South Bend and Mishawaka were supplied with petitions and requested to take a vote of their Sunday Schools on the continuance of the Temperance Lesson. The fact that so many of the Sunday Schools voted to retain the lesson is very gratifying.

#### South Bend Unions Banquet Their Friends.

—The W. C. T. Unions of South Bend, together with the Prohibition Club, held a banquet Wednesday evening, April 30, in the Y. M. C. A. building. From 7:30 to 8:30 there was a reception in the parlors. The high character of those in attendance added to the impressiveness of the occasion. Between 125 and 150 persons were present, Mishawaka and other near-by towns being represented. The guests were seated at the table at about 8:30 o'clock, and the speech making began at 10:30. The exercises at the banquet were opened with prayer by Dr. J. G. Campbell. Rev. G. M. Lehigh, pastor of the First Baptist Church, acted as toastmaster. His wit and humor brought forth much applause. Toasts were responded to by Hon. T. C. Barnes, Rev. Eli Phillips Bennett, Kathryn Wert Holler, J. G. Campbell, Ph. D., Miss Ina Burton and Hon. Chas. F. Holler.

**Shugart Union**—On Wednesday evening, April 30, the honorary members of the Shugart Union, Marion, Ind., held a very interesting meeting. Our pastor, Rev. J. Shannon, gave a fine address on the subject, "What should be the attitude of a Christian toward Legalized Wrong?" Three honorary members were taken into the Union. The public collection was \$2.04.

**Major George W. Hilton**, after a series of evangelistic services in the various Presbyterian churches in Fort Wayne, offered to give two lectures for the benefit of the Woman's Christian Temperance Unions on April 7, 1902. Three thousand invitation cards were distributed in nearly all the Protestant churches of the city by members of the Unions. A large audience came to hear his lecture to "Women Only," entitled "Thieves in the Temple," which was a heart-searching talk to Mothers. In the evening a mixed audience listened to a lecture entitled "The Revenue of Ruin." Sixty-five names were added to the membership roll as a result of the meetings. The following Wednesday afternoon a reception was given the new members at the home of Mrs. N. W. Bloom. The "Declaration of Principles" had been copied in the Secretary's book, and the members were asked to attach their names to it.

**At Franklin** a most promising Union of 42 members, 38 active and 4 honorary, was organized May 13 by Miss Hadley, in Section 3, for Institutes and organization. Mrs. Whitson gave able co-operation. The following officers were chosen: President, Mrs. A. W. Beam, Franklin; Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. Fisher, Franklin; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Anna Bergen, Franklin, R. R.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Pangburn, Franklin; Treasurer, Mrs. A. I. Mathes, Franklin. Our principles were discussed, literature considered and department work taken up. Franklin W. C. T. U. will meet every two weeks. Twenty dollars in dues were turned over to the Treasurer at the time of organization and more to follow at the next meeting. This bright new Union is launched into the galaxy of our State with a membership zealous for our cause and with a mind to work, and Indiana gives it a right royal welcome.

**LaPorte Union** held a purity meeting in March, the Superintendent, Mrs. Seth Pearse, having previously distributed the following topics: Purity in Literature, Rev. Lizzie Murphy; Purity in Art, Rev. Mrs. Moor; Purity in Public Schools, Dr. Brigid Malone; Purity in Our Homes, Mrs. Ward; Purity in Society, Mrs. Wellington West; Purity in Our Living, Mrs. M. F. Fargher.

The papers were read and discussed and a very interesting and helpful meeting crowned the effort. Dear Sisters, if each Superintendent would hold several meetings during the year along her line of work, I think they would help us so much.

They also held a rummage sale, which put thirty-two dollars in their treasury. The credit of this successful enterprise was due to Mrs. Martha B. Talmage, for which she received thanks and the Chauqua salute.

The Union is rejoicing over a letter received, saying that they could have dear mother Trish for a few days. Oh, they do want her so much!

**Marion**—The Shugart W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Hippensteel, Wednesday afternoon, the 23d. Mrs. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, was present and gave a fine address. Ice cream and cake were served. In the evening at the U. B. Church, Mrs. Stahl delivered a Temperance Lecture, which was well attended. A collection of \$1.40 was taken in the afternoon and \$3.04 in the evening. Eight new members were taken into the Union. The Union issued fifty type written invitations, which were delivered by the L. T. L. boys.

**Mrs. Ellen Dayton Blair**, National Chalk-Talker, writes: Will you kindly explain in the MESSAGE that I have not only been suffering from the anxiety and suspense of a very painful and protracted illness of a dear brother, who "passed away" April 16, in Tacoma, Wash., but I have been ill myself the past six weeks, so I have been unable to redeem the pledges I made at your State Convention to your County Presidents for work during the past winter and spring? I have hoped I could yet arrange some work before the summer heat comes on, but I fear I must wait until fall.

**Bridgeport W. C. T. U.** held a Silver Medal contest on the evening of May 2. The contestants included the eighth year of School No. 8, Washington township, Hendricks county, numbering eight—five boys and three girls. The medal was won by Miss Flora Nickerson, on a "Mother's Influence." The contestants were greeted by a large audience and each one spoke splendidly. Music was furnished by a chorus from Plainfield, which was greatly enjoyed, and a very interesting and we believe beneficial evening was passed. At the April meeting of the Bridgeport Union a paper was read by Miss Rhoda Harvey on "Why Take our Official Organ," which was instructive. "Every Union," she said, "is a vital part of the World's Union; thus every White Ribboner may feel she has an honored part in the World's Union. In order to do the best work possible, we must know the methods and work done in other Unions. Our societies will grow in ratio to their knowledge of the work. The preacher, doctor, etc., would not think of undertaking his work without some paper on that work. We want to be intelligent workers, and to be that we must be familiar with our official organ." We have had a number of papers in our Union this year which were highly instructive and just what W. C. T. U. workers need.

**In Indianapolis**—A short time ago a Mothers' Meeting was held at a home from the Olive Branch Church. About twenty-five ladies were present. The subjects were: "General treatment of children; What only mothers should tell them; Hints on how to bet-

ter guard our boys." Five papers were read, followed by talks. Meeting was led by Mrs. McDermod and Mrs. Moody. An invitation to continue the subject was given by the ladies at their church gathering.

**Lapel Union** was fortunate enough to secure Rev. Alice Palmer for a meeting on Thursday, May 8, and for a meeting on Friday afternoon. Her coming was unexpected to herself and also to our Union, so that not much time was given for advertising and there was not as large an attendance as we would have liked. But her address was to the point and well received. Mrs. Wright, who entertained Miss Palmer, invited a number of friends to her home on Friday evening, and Miss Palmer was kind enough to tell some of her experience in South Africa. Lapel's quartet, of whom we are justly proud, and who are always good about helping the W. T. C. U., sang several beautiful songs. Messrs. Wm. Woodward, J. R. Woodward, Geo. Wright and J. C. McCarty compose the quartet, the latter gentleman being a Prohibition candidate for Representative. We hope to see Miss Palmer again.

**Great Gain in Honorary Members**—Last year the Campbellsburg Union won the premium for largest gain in honorary members, and it bids fair to carry off the honors this year. They have recently gained twenty-five members, most of which are young men. Miss Flora Wires is President of the Union.

**Hadley W. C. T. U.**, Grant County—Mrs. Stahl, of Hartford City, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, held a meeting with us recently, at which six new members were secured. Our Superintendent of L. T. L. work, Mrs. Sadie B. Harvey, has organized a Legion with Roy Wells, President; Carrie Ratliff, Vice President; Ora Wright, Secretary; Grace Winslow, Treasurer.

### NEARING THE THOUSAND MARK.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 17.—At the present rate of increase the Prohibition Alliance movement will pass the thousand mark by the time the next report is sent out from National headquarters. The total number of Alliances up to Friday evening, May 16, was 972. Nebraska and Illinois are in a close contest for fourth position, with Pennsylvania safely established in third place for a while, Wisconsin in second and Indiana in first. Notwithstanding the fact that it is a busy time of year, when ordinarily there is a cessation of Prohibition work, reports from Alliances show unusual activity and the steady increase has clearly proved that Prohibitionists believe the Alliance plan has come to stay, and intend to see it firmly established. Indiana has 125 active Alliances.

### NEW COLLEGE PROHIBITION LEAGUES IN CALIFORNIA.

STANFORD, CAL., May 14.—A thriving Prohibition League has just been organized at Leland Stanford University by President D. Leigh Colvin, who put in several days' work here this week. The membership is very good, although the close of the college year being so very near precludes extensive work this spring.

The officers are determined to make it a great success at the opening of next year. The President, Lloyd E. Harter, is the General Secretary of the University Y. M. C. A. The Secretary is Secretary of the student body of the University—both among the strongest men of this large University.

Mr. Colvin organized a fine League at the University of the Pacific a few days ago. Here the young women are taking a prominent part in Prohibition work.

### THE QUARTERLY TEMPERANCE LESSONS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

We are pleased to note a change of sentiment in *The International Evangel*, evidenced by its editorial June issue, pages 258 and 259. This ably edited journal, so largely read by workers of all denominations and possibly in closest touch with the National Sunday School Association, now recommends adoption of the Temperance Lessons without debate. Of 460 votes received from teachers, 446 are for retention of the lessons. The *Evangel* says that "the votes in favor will be significantly overwhelming in the affirmative and that in advance we can so clearly show the sentiment of the Sunday-school teachers of America that the (Denver) Convention will not undertake to discuss the question, but vote at once without debate."

The *Evangel* has discovered the direction of the tide, and with considerable awkwardness and some disconcertedness has turned its keel toward the peaceful harbor of retention of the present specific quarterly lessons on temperance topics.

The editorial in the May MESSAGE seems to have stirred the *Evangel* very greatly. Our readers will enjoy reading some three columns provoked by timely protest from our paper. If space permitted we would be pleased to quote at length.

The *Evangel* says: "The MESSAGE, Indiana's bright temperance paper, is fighting a good fight and will, of course, honorably devote another column to *Evangel* editorial matter."

The MESSAGE cheerfully accords this request and forgives the mistake of the *Evangel* if it will now use its great power for our sacred cause and bend its energies toward the crying need of instruction for temperance, systematically and definitely provided in Quarterly Sunday School Lessons.



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## Y. W. C. T. U.

Some of you know that I helped to finish Mrs. Balch's section, No. 4, of the Institute Work for the W. C. T. U., and it was my pleasure to meet the most interesting and delightful girls and young women. I wanted them for our beloved work. Mount Vernon's President of the Y. is a beautiful Christian young woman consecrated to the Master's work. It was in Miss McGregor's home that the "Coffee" was given, where I was able to reach a large number of the ladies and try to interest them in the Temperance cause. The work in Mt. Vernon was pleasant throughout.

At Duff, DuBois County, I succeeded in securing 23 signatures to the Pledge, 11 of these to be organized into a Y. W. C. T. U., Mrs. Jennie Lennon having the meeting in charge.

Bethel was the place where the Institute for DuBois County was held, and on Sabbath eight young ladies were organized into a Y. W. C. T. U., Miss Clara Brittain, President. Other Y. Unions must work hard, or some of the new ones will surpass you in activity.

A meeting was held at Petersburg on Decoration evening, and next morning several came to the church and a talk was given along our line of work. We hope and pray seed was sown that will result in a Y. W. C. T. U. in that place.

Knox County Institute, held at Westphalia; three young women took the pledge and came into our work; one hundred young people ought to be secured in Knox County alone for our work.

Martin County Institute, held at Shoals; fine program, few out to receive the good. Splendid contest at night, and it seemed like many ought to have been reached. I am safe in saying 100 from this county, too, ought to be ours.

Some work was done in Daviess County, in Washington. The field is already white to the harvest, but where are the laborers? A few faithful women are doing all in their power, with the help of the Lord, to keep the temperance sentiment alive. Young women there, talented! Oh, how we do need them! Pray for them, too.

I was later in sending out the Report Blanks than common, but you will please return immediately. I will continue from this time on, dear Y's, to urge the payment of the dues. We must not fall below our mark of last year, 423. At the end of the first six months only 80 had paid dues. Wake up, and save or earn money enough to pay your dues. The last chance for the year closes the 15th day of September. Pray for me and for the work. Each day take some girl on your heart and pray for her; hand her literature until she becomes one of us.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## LETTER TO COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

I trust you are already planning to make your fall County Convention the most successful in the history of your meetings. I hope it will mean for you days of rejoicing over work accomplished along our various lines of effort, and an increased membership with which to begin the work of the coming year.

In our State Plan of Work, page 61, of the State Minutes, you will see that any county having organized three new Unions is to have a speaker free for their fall Convention; and any county organizing two new Unions is to have a speaker for their fall Convention by paying the traveling expenses only. If the dues for these new Unions are properly collected and sent to our State Treasurer, we already have eight counties which will claim one or the other of these offers. We hope many others will be added during the next month, and in order that the many demands for speakers for fall Conventions may be met, it will be necessary for you to decide early upon the date and communicate with me in regard to the speaker. As many of our County Conventions are held about the same date, their is often confusion and disappointment because the worker has been asked for too late.

### LIST OF NEW UNIONS.

BOONE—Jamestown Union; President, Mrs. K. L. W. Stockton.  
BLACKFORD—Hartford City Union; President, Mrs. Lina Powers.  
PRIAM Union; President, Mrs. Mary Zimmerman.  
DEKALB—Spencerville Union; President, Mrs. M. D. Murray.  
NEWVILLE Union; President, Mrs. Alice Coats.  
DELAWARE—DeSota Union; President, Mrs. Flora Shroyer.  
FOUNTAIN—Newton Union; President, Mr. Mary McKinney.  
HARRISON—Elizabeth Union; President, Mrs. Ada M. Heartman.  
HOWARD—Kokomo Union; President, Mrs. V. C. Kern.  
HENRY—Shirley "Y"; President, Miss May McCain.  
KENNARD Union; President, Mrs. Evalina Griest.  
JASPER—Rensselaer Union; Mrs. M. F. Hall.  
JOHNSON—Franklin Union; President, Mrs. A. W. Beam.  
KOSCIUSKO—Leesburg Union; President, Mrs. Mollie Armstrong.  
LAKE—Hobart Union; President, Mrs. May Patterson.  
MARSHALL—Bremen Union; President, Mrs. Minnie Hale.  
MARION—N. Indianapolis Union; Pres., Mrs. Christina Schmidt.  
PARKE—Bridgeton Union; President, Mrs. Edith Kerr.  
COLOMA Union; President, Mrs. Laura Morris.  
RANDOLPH—Modoc "Y"; President, Mrs. Edna Hamilton.  
ST. JOSEPH—North Liberty Union; President, Miss Cecil Bain.  
WALKERTON "Y"; President, Mrs. E. B. Hostetter.  
VIGO—Terre Haute, Mary Hadley "Y"; Pres., Miss Lillie LeDrew.  
TERRE HAUTE Union; President, Mrs. Emma Trail.

TERRE HAUTE, Francis E. Willard "Y"; Miss Mabel Rice.  
TERRE HAUTE Union; (Colored) Pres., Mrs. Mary E. Crutup.  
PIMENTO Union; President, Miss Jessie Stark.  
TERRE HAUTE "Y"; President, Miss Cora Viet.  
VERMILION—Perrysville Union; President, Miss Laura Kerns.  
WABASH—Rich Valley Union; President, Mrs. Jennie Fisher.  
WABASH Union; President, Mrs. Mary M. Unger.  
WELLS—The Salem Union; Pres., Mrs. Rev. Bockman, Vera Cruz.  
REIFFSBURG Union; President, Mrs. Mira Galbraith.  
SIX MILE Union; President, Mrs. Clara Deam, Bluffton.

The above is a list of the new Unions, reported since our last State Convention. It represents a gain in one-third of the organized counties in the state. Several counties not in the list are preparing to organize one or more Unions soon, and if this earnest effort continues it will mean a great increase of power in Indiana. Can we not have every organized county in the state on this list by the time the August MESSAGE is issued? If you need help, write to me at once in regard to our field workers. I will supply you promptly and at as little expense as possible. Mrs. Stahl is very successful in securing members; Mrs. Haughton is at this date working in DeKalb county, where we expect her to win many to our blessed cause; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins is a veteran organizer; our Institute workers, Miss Hadley, Miss Palmer and Mrs. Pearce are now at liberty and I am sure that any of our workers will do you good. Remember, dear sisters, that we are in a great conflict, which demands the very best we have to give.

Loyally yours,

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## STATE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING.

The Department Board Conference was held in Lebanon, Boone County, June 10 and 11. Most of the members arrived in time to attend the delightful reception, held at Castle Hall, on Monday evening. Lebanon Union had extended a general invitation, and a large number of ladies were present to welcome our W. C. T. U. workers. A delightful program of music, recitation and song was rendered, and the evening passed very pleasantly.

The Conference was called to order in the Baptist Church Tuesday morning by the President of the Board, Mrs. Mary E. Balch. The earnest words of her opening address touched the hearts of all who listened, and inspired us to more earnest and determined efforts for the promotion of our Department work. Our State President, Mrs. Wilson, Vice President, Miss Hadley, and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Brand, were present and spoke words of cheer and encouragement.

The program was perhaps the most practical and helpful that has yet been given at a Department Meeting, and it was a matter of regret that every State Superintendent was not present to help and to be helped. Two were busy in the field and four were detained at home by sickness.

A double contest, musical and oratorical, was held on Wednesday night. This is a new feature in contests and promises to become a very popular one, as it increases interest and supplies a most delightful entertainment. The grand gold medal was won by Mrs. Ella Seal, of Marion, and the musical medal was awarded to Miss Carrie McKee, of Lebanon.

At a business session of the Board, Mrs. Balch tendered her resignation as President, and Mrs. Leck tendered her resignation as Secretary. These resignations were accepted with regrets, and Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton was chosen President, and Miss Flora Wires, Secretary, to fill the unexpired term.

Mrs. Brand presented the matter of the Blanket Report and urged that a committee be appointed to supervise the revision of the questions, as many of them are unsuitable for a local report and cause confusion among local Superintendents. Mrs. Brand was appointed Chairman of this committee, with power to choose its members.

Members of the Board and visitors were most delightfully entertained in the hospitable homes of our Lebanon sisters, and many were the words of appreciation expressed.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

## PURITY.

You have all no doubt received the communication I sent out the first of the month of June. Let us make the most of the short time we have left before the State Convention to forward the cause of purity and righteousness.

I have been prevented on account of illness from pushing our department work as I had hoped, and I very much fear I shall have to forego my personal work with many of our unions as I had planned.

Some of our superintendents are doing excellent work in their communities. I wish they might hold regular meetings in the interest of their departments.

Our Anderson Superintendent has held five women's meetings in the interests of Purity. Two of these were addressed by State Superintendents and the others were simply informal meetings. All were very help-

ful. LaPorte Purity Department is setting a good example. I hope all have read the report of their March meeting in the last MESSAGE.

Sallie Osborne, Union County Superintendent of Purity, has done most excellent work along the line of contest work. Every superintendent, or every worker, should have her Contest Papers, a little booklet containing five prize papers on the theme: Love Against Its Counterfeit. These papers furnish first-class literature for the Purity Departments of the Christian Endeavor, B. Y., P. Y., Epworth League and W. C. T. U. Price single copy (by mail, post paid) 20 cents. Address, Miss Sallie Osborne, College Corner, Ohio. (She lives just across the line.) West LaFayette has done good work in the distribution of literature.

I want to urge you all to keep a faithful record of all work done, however small, and report promptly. I trust none will neglect to fill out the blanks I sent and return to me by September 20. They are intended for the yearly report. Some have returned them as a quarterly report. I will send others to those thus understanding it.

MRS. R. W. McMAHAN.

## STARTLING STATISTICS.

It is estimated by reliable statistics that each American saloon has an average of 40 customers, 10,000,000 people steady drinkers, who spend on an average of \$100 per year for drink; it amounts to a total of \$1,000,000,000 a year.

If each of the 10,000,000 stop drinking alcohol and buy one pair of shoes costing \$2.50 this would make market for \$25,000,000 worth more of shoes.

If they buy each a \$2.50 dress or pair of trousers, costing a total of \$25,000,000, this would boom woolen goods.

If each should yearly consume one more barrel of flour than formerly, at \$5 per barrel, \$50,000,000 more would be spent for flour. One dollar more each year for useful literature would be \$10,000,000, and \$1.50 each for underwear would be \$15,000,000, and \$2.50 hat or bonnet each would be \$25,000,000 for headwear.

In the above calculation we have expended only \$15 for each of the ten million drinkers, whose demand for these useful goods would create a supply without overproduction. They need the goods. This leaves \$85 each to be laid out for meat, fuel, furniture, bedding and other home comforts, costing \$850,000,000 more, all of which is now paid away for drink.

Now to spend one billion dollars for twenty of the leading necessary comforts of life in proportion to the amount of each produced during the last census taken, will make a demand on the farmer by the manufacturer for \$490,000,000 worth of raw material.

The same money spent for liquors requires only one-fifth as much from the farmer; here is a gain of \$400,000,000 to the farmer, which, at an average of \$391—as per last census produced by each farm yearly—would give work to 1,024,472 more men on the farms.

To manufacture the raw material would require 372,836 men. But to produce one billion dollars' worth of liquor requires only 50,179 men.

If, on the other hand, this billion be spent for food, fuel and clothing, it will give employment to 1,397,408 men, which is 1,347,229 more than now employed, who will have work at good wages.

Any thoughtful person can now estimate the benefits which would thus come to the country, if the money now spent for drink was paid for useful articles, to say nothing of the absence of crime, poverty, personal sufferings and national disgrace. But if only one man keeps this pledge, the benefit to him is very great.—Selected.

Deer Creek Union is composed of farmers' wives and daughters, and they are a busy set. On a recent Sabbath a member of this Union, who is County Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, held a meeting of her Department in a church several miles away. She incidentally remarked to a friend that day that the day before she had washed three large pieces of bed-clothing, had churned and scrubbed, had set out three hundred sweet potato plants and one hundred and fifty cabbage plants, in addition to her usual house work. Then she sat up until 10 o'clock that night and prepared her address for the next day. The service she gave in the meeting was full of love and helpfulness, just as her life is full of grace and beauty. Surely the rank and file of the W. C. T. U. workers are women who have not a minute to spare.

Mrs. J. B. Heath, of Marion, one of our much loved White Ribboners, passed successfully through a very serious surgical operation, performed by Dr. L. H. Dunning, specialist at the Deaconess Hospital, Indianapolis. Her many friends will be glad to know of her splendid courage and cheerfulness, which were wonderfully in her favor toward ultimate recovery. She had the prayers, love and sympathy of many, including a host of comrades at home.

Our State Convention will be Held at HUNTINGTON the First Week in October.



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Miss Laura Geneva Cammack, our State Superintendent of Press Department, has recently returned to her home at Converse from Indianapolis, after spending sometime at St. Vincent's Hospital, where she passed successfully through a very painful surgical operation performed by Dr. J. B. Kirkpatrick, specialist. After months of great suffering, she feels now assured of renewed health and strength.

For the loving messages of sympathy received and the assurance from workers that the Press work is being pushed, she desires to express her great appreciation.

### INSTITUTES AND ORGANIZATION.

We are reminded that to the July MESSAGE is due some account of the joint effort for these two Departments during the spring months, as per State plan for 1902. But, as material is not yet at hand for complete summary of results, only a very informal and meagre advance report can now be given.

Mrs. Rose Pearce, the much appreciated leader of Section 1, is now finishing these Institutes by giving additional time to work which, it seemed, could not be just on time for the scheduled date.

Rev. Alice R. Palmer, who has so ably and acceptably led in Section 2, has granted a like favor to this Section, and thus a part of her report has also been delayed, but encouraging accounts of the work in these and other Sections have already been given by local workers through the MESSAGE.

In Section 2 Miss Palmer gave 12 weeks work in 19 counties, organizing 3 unions and adding many members at Institutes.

In Section 3, with your Superintendent as leader, the work closed June 6, as per closing date published in the schedule given in January. Ten weeks work were given in 15 counties.

In this Section, 13 organizations have been formed—consisting of 4 W. C. T. Unions, 3 Y.'s, 1 County Union, and 5 L. T. L.'s—which, including accessions to membership made at Institutes, makes a total addition of 207 adult members and 136 Legioners—all of the latter coming in with the approval of parents and as willing and joyful workers bearing aloft the banner of their triple pledge.

Many of the adult members paid dues at the time of organization, and others proposed payment at a time near at hand. Will not local Treasurers all over the State do their duty in gathering and forwarding dues, and thus allow the members to promptly and uniformly receive the MESSAGE, etc.?

Retain 20 cents for each active member in the local Treasury; send 25 cents for the MESSAGE to its Editor and Publisher, Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, 2312 College Avenue, Indianapolis, and send the remaining 55 cents to your County Treasurer, who will retain 15 cents and promptly forward 40 cents to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis. Accompany the MESSAGE dues with a carefully written list of the active members. This list must at least equal the active membership and include the names of such honorary members as do not already have the paper taken in their homes.

The honorary list for the MESSAGE generally about equals the duplicates in names where both mother and daughter are members, thus allowing a sum equal to the entire honorary dues to remain in the local Treasury for local work.

A most earnest and self-sacrificing effort has been made for Section 4 by our much beloved Mrs. Balch, who was all too prodigal of her strength, and had to

stop off for a vacation which she had planned to take in her recently adopted home, Kentucky.

If this State has been basing too much on our Mrs. Balch's membership, we will just remind Mrs. Beauchamp and her force that Louisville is only just across the line, where Southern Indiana workers go sometimes to get a good perspective of their own State, and that Mrs. Balch has already been back to us, presiding at our State Department meeting at Lebanon and making a lively campaign for contest work.

Mrs. McWhirter, Mrs. Whitson and Miss Sears came promptly and loyally to the Institute work for Section 4, and excellent results have followed, but, like Sections 1 and 2, the work has not yet been fully reported.

Now we are almost to the place of entering upon Summer Assembly work and we speak for the most loyal co-operation with Mrs. Eva Everson, Superintendent, and her leaders in W. C. T. U. work for the different Assemblies of Indiana.

If White Ribboners generally will give their attendance and co-operation in carrying out the W. C. T. U. program at the assembly most convenient to them, the success of the work will be assured.

More anon, and truly,

MARY HADLEY,  
Superintendent.

### PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR THE INDIANA WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

#### PREAMBLE.

We, Christian women of Indiana, in order to enlist and unite the women of the entire State in temperance work, and to devise and execute measures which with the blessing of God will result in the suppression of intemperance, and to secure as soon as possible the entire prohibition of the liquor traffic, do adopt the following constitution for our government:

#### CONSTITUTION.

##### ARTICLE I.

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, auxiliary to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

##### ARTICLE II.

###### OFFICERS.

The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Secretary of the Young Woman's Branch, a Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion, and a Vice President, *ex-officio* from each County Union, who shall be the President of the County Union.

##### ARTICLE III.

###### COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS.

SECTION 1. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of all the officers of the State Union, the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents, and the Editor of the State paper. It shall convene once a year or oftener at the call of the State President, one month's notice being given, and at such a meeting seven members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 2. There shall be a Central Committee consisting of the President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and Treasurer, with two others chosen at the Annual Meeting for the transaction of urgent business in the interval of annual meetings when the Executive Committee cannot be convened. The said committee shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana competent to transact its business legally.

SEC. 3. Such departments of work as are deemed advisable by the Annual Meeting shall be in charge of Superintendents specially fitted for the work of their respective departments.

##### ARTICLE IV.

###### AUXILIARIES.

SECTION 1. Any local W. C. T. U. in the State shall become auxiliary to the State Union by endorsing the constitution and paying annually into the State Treasury a sum equal to 50 cents for each member.

SEC. 2. Any Y. W. C. T. U. shall become auxiliary by endorsing this Constitution and paying annually into the State treasury a sum equal to 50 cents for each member.

##### ARTICLE V.

###### ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting shall be held in October, at such a time and place as shall have been designated by the preceding Annual Meeting or by the Executive Committee.

##### ARTICLE VI.

###### MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. The Annual Meeting shall be composed of the officers of the State Union, the Superintendents of Departments, Chairmen of Standing Committees, State Organizers, Editor and Publisher of the State Paper, the officers of the Board of Management of the Hadley Industrial School of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, the President and one delegate at large of each auxiliary union, and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members thereof, and one delegate who shall be a W. C. T. U. member, and an active L. T. L. worker, for each ten dollars of L. T. L. dues from the combined Legions of the State. *Ex-officio* members of the convention must vote in person.

##### ARTICLE VII.

###### AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any Annual Meeting, provided notice has been given at the previous Annual Meeting.

##### ARTICLE VIII.

###### PLEDGE.

I do solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from the use, manufacture or sale of distilled, fermented and malt liquors, including wine, beer and cider, and from tobacco in any form, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

##### BY-LAWS.

###### ARTICLE I.

###### DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The President shall perform all duties usual to such office. She shall also preside at the meeting of the Executive Committee, and may, through the Recording Secretary, call special meetings to that Committee when deemed advisable, on consent of any three members.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in case of her absence or inability to serve.

SEC. 3. The Corresponding Secretary shall attend to the correspondence of the Union. She shall forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretaries of County Unions (or to the Secretaries of Local Unions, where there is no county organization) blanks for their reports, and shall collate from such reports her annual report. She shall be chairman of the Credentials Committee of the Annual Meeting, of Program Committee, of Department of Organization and State Reporter for the *Union Signal*.

SEC. 4. The Recording Secretary shall be Secretary of the Executive Committee. She shall send to each member of that Committee a notice of each meeting, and notify Superintendents, Officers and Committees of their appointment. At the first session of each Annual Meeting, she shall read, for action by said meeting, the minutes of all meetings of the Executive Committee held since the last Annual Meeting, and shall perform all other duties pertaining to such office.

SEC. 5. The Treasurer shall keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of money, present a detailed account thereof at each Annual Meeting, and furnish quarterly report for publication in the official organ of the State Union. She shall pay no bills except on an order signed by the President and Recording Secretary. She shall remit quarterly to the Treasurer of the National Union 10 cents of each 50 cents State dues received. At the Annual Meeting she shall give to the Corresponding Secretary the whole number of delegates to which each Local Union is entitled, according to the amount of dues paid. The Treasurer's books shall close the 25th of September for the receipt of dues for that year.

SEC. 6. All reports of officers and Superintendents shall be in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days previous to the State Convention.

SEC. 7. The County Vice Presidents shall have supervision of the work in their respective Counties, and shall be responsible for the organization of Local Unions therein. They shall write quarterly to the State Corresponding Secretary, concerning the condition of the work in their respective counties.

SEC. 8. The Program Committee shall consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and the President and Secretary of the Board of Superintendents of Departments.

#### ARTICLE II.

##### DUTIES OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the Superintendents to correspond and co-operate with National and County Superintendents in carrying out plans of work relating to their several departments, and to present to the Annual Meeting a written report of work accomplished and proposed, with an itemized account of receipts and expenditures in department work.

SEC. 2. The Plan of Work Committee of the Annual Meeting shall be composed of three County Presidents, three Superintendents of Departments, and one Organizer who shall be appointed at the meeting of the mid-year Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE III.

##### ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. The President, Vice President, Secretaries, Treasurer, Secretaries of Y. and L. T. L. Branches and the Editor of the State Paper, shall be elected on the second day of the Annual Meeting and in the following manner: Tellers having been appointed by the Chair, an informal ballot shall be cast for each officer separately and the meeting shall then proceed to vote by ballot for the persons thus nominated.

SEC. 2. Superintendents of Departments shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and elected by the Annual Meeting.

SEC. 3. The term of State Officers shall close October 31, and no officer shall be eligible to re-election for more than five consecutive years.

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### SPECIAL FUNDS.

SECTION 1. Any person may become a life member of the Society by the payment to the Treasurer of the sum of \$25.00, or an honorary member by the payment of \$5.00.

SEC. 2. Remittances of dues from Local Unions in organized counties must be made through the County Treasurer.

SEC. 3. County Membership dues from Local Unions in unorganized counties, sent to the State Treasurer, must be used by the Department on Organization, for the organization of those counties.

SEC. 4. The 50 cent donation from Local Unions for a fund to defray convention expenses shall be placed in the hands of the Local Committee of the county or town entertaining the convention.

#### ARTICLE V.

##### EXPENSES.

SECTION 1. The expenses of the State President in traveling to and from the National Convention and of the General Officers to and from the Annual Meeting, shall be paid from the State Treasury. Their postage and stationery shall be furnished from the State Treasury.

SEC. 2. An appropriation shall be made to each Superintendent, annually, for the expenses of department work, the general amounts to be determined by the amount of expense called for by the work of the department.

SEC. 3. The salary of the Corresponding Secretary shall be .....per year, and shall be paid from the State Treasury, if not otherwise provided for.

SEC. 4. The salary of the Treasurer shall be .....per year, and shall be paid from the State Treasury.

SEC. 5. The appropriation of the Recording Secretary shall be .....per year, to be paid from the State Treasury.

SEC. 6. There shall be appointed, annually, a standing committee of five on appropriations, who shall recommend to the Executive Committee all amounts of salaries for State officers and appropriation for Superintendents, or any other appropriation called for during the year.

[NOTE.—Life Membership in the State Union is an honorary relationship and does not entitle one to vote in the Conventions or Local Unions—a right which is conferred only by full membership in an auxiliary Local Union.]

#### ARTICLE VI.

##### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

SECTION 1. The Annual Meeting shall elect the nine members of the Hadley Industrial School Board of Directors as follows: Tellers having been appointed by the chair, an informal ballot shall be cast for the President, Secretary and Treasurer separately and the Convention shall proceed to ballot for the persons thus nominated. The convention will then elect, by rising vote, one woman for each of the six permanent divisions of the State known as Hadley Industrial School Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, these women to be known as the soliciting members of the Board. They shall be nominated by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. DUTIES OF SOLICITORS. An estimate shall be made of the necessary amount for the current year's expenses of the School and it will be the duty of each of these six solicitors to collect their portion of this sum. As much more as they will collect will be to the advantage of the School and their profit.

SEC. 2. THE SOLICITOR'S REMUNERATION. The solicitor shall receive thirty per cent of all moneys collected and on pledges the same per cent when the pledges have been paid into the treasury of the Board. On endowments the same per cent pro rata when the Board has invested the endowment and receipts come in on the investment. The solicitor shall report monthly to the Treasurer of the Board on the blank furnished, turning all money, pledges and endowment over to the Treasurer of the Board, who will settle with the solicitor monthly as per date of blank furnished for that purpose.

SEC. 4. DUTY OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE. If vacancies occur in the Board during the year, caused by resignation, removal, death or failure of duty, the Central Committee shall be empowered to fill such vacancies within thirty days' time.

SEC. 5. LIMITING EXPENSES. The Board shall not add to the ordinary current expenses of the year by improvements, additions to the school or increase in number of helpers without consulting the Central Committee.

SEC. 6. The President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board shall receive \$1.00 per day for every day's actual service and all actual expenses. This outlay shall be considered a necessary part of the running expenses of the school.

SEC. 7. DUTY OF UNIONS—CONTINGENT FUND. Unions shall hold one L. T. L. silver medal contest during the first quarter of the year, October, November and December, taking the usual 10 cents admission fee, and after deducting the price of the medal and tickets, send the balance of the proceeds to the Treasurer of the Board. No other call should be made on the Union by the school that year. If on account of storms or epidemics or like misfortune the contest proves a failure financially, it shall be the duty of the Union to repeat it within thirty days or the first favorable opportunity.

SEC. 8. HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. District No. 1.—Lake, Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Marshall, Starke, Newton, Jasper, Pulaski, Fulton, Cass, Carroll, White, Benton, Miami—15.

District No. 2.—Elkhart, LaGrange, Steuben, Kosciusko, Noble, DeKalb, Allen, Whitley, Wabash, Huntington, Wells, Adams, Jay, Blackford, Grant—15.

District No. 3.—Warren, Tippecanoe, Clinton, Howard, Tipton, Hamilton, Boone, Montgomery, Fountain, Vermillion, Parke, Putnam, Hendricks, Marion, Hancock—15.

District No. 4.—Madison, Delaware, Randolph, Wayne, Henry, Rush, Fayette, Union, Franklin, Decatur, Shelby, Johnson, Bartholomew, Brown, Morgan—15.



District, No. 5—Dearborn, Ripley, Jennings, Jackson, Washington, Scott, Jefferson, Ohio, Switzerland, Clarke, Floyd, Harrison, Orange, Lawrence, Monroe, Crawford—16.

District No. 6—Owen, Clay, Vigo, Sullivan, Greene, Martin, Daviess, Knox, Gibson, Posey, Vanderburg, Warrick, Spencer, Perry, DuBois, Pike—16.

## ARTICLE VII.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the entire delegation present at any annual meeting.

## INSTITUTES.

**Steuben County Institute** was held in Ashley, May 8 and 9. A contest occupied the evening of the 8th and though some of the contestants failed to be present a number of recitations suitable for the occasion were given by friends who kindly filled vacancies, so that those in attendance were well entertained. The medal was awarded to Orlo Wyrick, of Ashley.

The Institute Thursday morning was called to order by Mrs. Willinner, Vice-president. The forenoon was spent in a conference of County Superintendents which, it is hoped, will result in good to the work in the county. Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute, presided over the remainder of the sessions. She won laurels for herself by her genuine, sweet-spirited helpfulness. Mrs. Woodhull presented "Our Periodicals" with so much skill and ability, and the discussion that followed was so general and spirited, that it was one of the best features of the Institute. I find I cannot mention the many fine papers and talks that were given us, several of which would make good reading in our papers, but I do want to say we owe much to the gentlemen who came so bravely to our help. Brethren Fry, Wyrick and Matson are held in kindly remembrance by those present. The plans for entertaining delegates were unusually good and much of this was due to the kindness and help of Elder Wyrick of Ashley. The resignation of the President, Mrs. Shaw, on account of the serious sickness of her daughter, was the sad note of a very enjoyable meeting. Mrs. Willinner, of Pleasant Lake, was elected to fill the vacancy.

**Union County Institute**—On account of the inclemency of the weather during the Union County Institute, May 22 and 23, Miss Mary Hadley, National Superintendent of Institutes, kindly consented to stay with us at College Corner over Sunday. On Sunday evening, at a union meeting of the three churches, she gave a lecture on "The Effects of Alcoholic and Nicotine Poisons," to a well-filled house. An L. T. L. of 48 members having been organized during the Institute, a large number of children were present, occupied front seats, and showed their interest by the strict attention and intelligent answers to Miss Hadley's questions. The logical reasoning, based on the authority of the world, will surely convince many that the narcotic poison of alcohol is not a necessity, but that it is an evil that should be dealt with as the most poisonous serpent would be treated. College Corner W. C. T. U. feels very grateful to Miss Hadley for the interest that she has awakened during the Institute and actual work that has been accomplished.

**Wells County Institute**—The leader, Miss Palmer, arrived on Saturday, May 24, and on Sunday she gave two fine lectures, one at Six Mile, and the other, in the evening, at Poneto. Monday morning, at 9 o'clock, the Institute was called to order by County President, Mrs. Reiff, and after devotions the business and general convention work was attended to. The afternoon session was filled with general talks, papers and music. Splendid remarks by Leader were very helpful. The Monday evening lecture by Miss Palmer was a pleasing as well as an educational service. Miss Palmer was highly spoken of by every one who heard her here, and much appreciated by the W. C. T. U. All day Tuesday the program was carried out, and showed that the members on the program had made careful preparation. Tuesday evening, 27th, the Gold Medal Contest was well attended and one of the very best entertainments ever held in Bluffton. Mrs. Doan, of Ossian, carried off the medal. The Daily Orchestra furnished excellent music. The Contest was under the direction of Mrs. M. J. Hunter, of Ossian, County Contest Superintendent.

**Huntington County Institute**, reports Mrs. F. C. Myers, was held at Roanoke M. E. Church, Thursday morning, May 29 and 30. Mrs. Lou E. Rail, County President, in the chair. The Institute was organized for regular work. The Plan of Work as adopted by the county was reported as generally carried out. The leader, Rev. Alice R. Palmer, returned missionary from South Africa, was introduced and given the Chautauqua salute and responded in a few well chosen words. Mr. J. S. Zent, husband of one of the enthusiastic Roanoke White Ribboners, made the address of welcome. Among other good things, he said he could not be a Christian and not oppose the saloon. The Cradle Roll Department discussion was led by Mrs. E. S. Druly, who was appointed Superintendent of the Mother's Department for the county. A paper on Purity, was read by Mrs. Rhodes, which excited spirited discussion. The central thought, which was, a deeper sense of duty to our children. The topic, What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink and Tobacco Habit? was the feature of the afternoon. A number of papers were read, treating the different phases of the subject. Mr. Stockbridge, Editor of the *Roanoke Review*, said the W. C. T. U. column helped the circulation of his paper. Much interest was shown in the paper given by Dr. Wilking, on Non-Alcoholic Medication. Mrs. Day, of Huntington, represented the Franchise Department, in an excellent paper. Mrs. DeLong

gave a spirited talk on How to Stand for What is Exalted in Citizenship. In the evening a grand gold medal contest was given, in which four young ladies were the contestants, Miss Opal Bechtol, of near Huntington, being the winner. Excellent music was rendered by the M. E. quartette and U. B. choir.

The first Institute of Franklin County was held in Brookville. The first session was informal and was held at the home of Mrs. Harrison. On Friday morning the Institute convened in the town hall, the County President, Mrs. Margaret Smith, presiding. The regular routine business was transacted and committees appointed. The afternoon meeting was called to order by the President. Scripture reading was by Mrs. Vawter and prayer was offered by Rev. Carnes, after which the regular program was taken up. The State Superintendent of Institute Work, Miss Mary Hadley, gave a short talk on "What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and Tobacco Habit?" Mrs. John Cowan read an excellent paper on "Temperance," showing the danger of the first drink. Rev. Carnes presented a paper on "What Steps Should the Church Take Towards the Abolition of the Drink and Tobacco Habits?" He favored agitation—keeping the matter before the minds of the people until they have a just appreciation of the danger of these habits. Little Olita DuBois recited to piano accompaniment a sweetly pathetic story of the little boy for whom there was no room "In the House of Too Much Trouble." Miss Hadley read a number of resolutions adopted by the Liquor Dealers' Association, after which Mrs. Smith read a few things which the W. C. T. U. has accomplished and some which she still hopes to do, introducing the thought that while some people feel sure that their sons and daughters will be so carefully reared that they will go out to the world strong to meet temptation, there are hundreds of children who have scarcely known a father's care or a mother's love. It is this class that the W. C. T. U. comes to as a guardian angel. Miss Ida Dare sang "The Girl that 'Sassed' Her Mother." Mrs. Frank Merrill read a good paper describing the organization and work of the Mt. Carmel L. T. L. Rev. McMillen favored us with an excellent talk on "How to Stand for Exalted Citizenship," showing that we should choose high principles and then stand firmly for them. Rev. Jones added some good remarks on this subject. Mrs. Smith rendered a solo entitled, "My Mother's Bow of Ribbon White."

The Oratorical Contest in the evening was one of the best that has been given in the county. The class was ably presented by Mr. Hugh Murphy. Mrs. Anson Irwin, of Bath, was awarded the medal. The orations were interspersed with music. A vocal solo by Miss Laura Merrill was well rendered; also one by Mrs. Margaret Smith, entitled, "Down in the Licensed Saloon." The violin solo by Miss Nellie Smith was highly appreciated. In response to a hearty encore she rendered a short number. Notwithstanding the fact that Miss Leona Brady's reading was the last number of a lengthy program, she held the audience spellbound to the end. Thus ended a pleasant and profitable meeting.

**Martin County Institute** met in the First M. E. Church at Shoals, June 2, with Miss Clara Sears as leader. The first session was held at 3 p. m. Miss Sears gave a general talk on the work and its needs and the members discussed plans for bettering local conditions. A lecture by Miss Sears in the evening, was truly appreciated. On the morning of the 3d the programme as outlined was taken up and each subject discussed. An excellent talk on God's Plan of Finance was given by Rev. A. W. Gehres, of the Christian Church.

Mrs. J. T. Morris gave a talk on Evangelistic Work which was highly appreciated, as was also a talk by Miss Mabel Yenne, on Temperance Work in Young People's Societies. She showed the need of higher ideals of life and practical living. Miss Sallie Rogers read a paper on Christian Citizenship which showed most excellent forethought and gave a lucid account of the true citizen. A medal contest followed in the evening, which was interesting. The silver medal was won by Miss Eva Gray. Subject, The Result of Treating. The music was excellent throughout.

An Institute was held at Newcastle, June 1 and 2, with Miss Mary Hadley as Leader. The first session was taken up mostly with parliamentary rules. The L. T. L. was highly recommended for the young; also, Mothers' meetings. Some good thoughts were given as to some of the hindering causes of the Local unions. But with all the hindering things existing as they do, we see a rift in the cloud. Have patience, sisters, and a great deal of love. After the appointment of committees, Miss Hadley spoke very encouragingly of work in organization. Surely her work is great and will live after her. We were encouraged to trust God and be in condition for God to trust us. Financial plans were discussed; give according as God has favored us. On Monday night a grand Gold Medal contest was held, conducted by Mrs. Balch. There were four speakers, each doing well. The Medal was given to Hazlep Clark, of Indianapolis. Tuesday morning the Institute convened at 10 a. m. Though very rainy, great interest was manifested. Round table department was talked of; a great many good points were brought out. Scientific Temperance was spoken of, also Contest work, and State and National plans were emphasized by Miss Hadley. Let us build up the Unions we have rather than organize new

ones. Study Leaflet carefully. A good paper was read by Miss Florence Macy—A Call to Young Women. We will succeed because it is promised. Mary Brown read a good paper; subject: Anti-Cigarette Law. In the afternoon I. S. Dungan spoke of the abolition of the drink evil and tobacco use by the church. Rev. J. C. Wier, of the New Castle schools, said the reason we accomplish so little is because we are so cowardly. Men of worth act. Teachers have great opportunities. Help the children to right living and they will as naturally turn to the right as the flowers to the sun. Love children unto good. Ora Bell Shafer on Church Societies. Right is right; we are not our own. All felt greatly helped and inspired to move on in the work, and that God is pleased.

**Lake County Institute** was held at Lowell, June 5, 6. Mrs. Pearce, of Terre Haute, leader. A business session was held in the morning of the first day, after which Mrs. Pearce gave an instructive talk on Institute Work. After the noon day prayer, all repaired to the parsonage, where a substantial lunch was provided, the Y. members acting as Hostess. In the p. m. the following appointments were made: Mrs. Mary Clark, Secretary; Committee on Membership, Mrs. Rathfon and Mrs. Shortridge of Hammond, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. M. L. Wood of Lowell, Mrs. E. C. Harrison, Press Reporter, Mrs. Jennie Dickenson for the *Union Signal*. Mrs. Mudge, of Hammond, gave a talk on God's Plan of Finance, followed by an enthusiastic discussion. Mrs. S. G. Wood (President of the Crown Point Union) read an excellent paper on Literature.

In the evening Miss Ollie Bates gave an appropriate recitation on What Has the W. C. T. U. Done? followed by a lecture, which was highly appreciated by all. On the second day morning a short business session was held, Mrs. Coffin of Crown Point, acting as secretary, as Miss Palmer has been out of the county. For some time it was thought by some that we should elect a new County President, but after some discussion it was thought best to continue Miss Palmer to the close of the year in the hope of having her with us in the fall Convention, which was decided to be held at Crown Point. Mrs. Merrill, of Crown Point, was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Fuller, County Treasurer. After some encouraging talk by Mrs. Pearce and others, we again adjourned to the parsonage, where we found the faithful Y's still ready to serve. The afternoon was taken up by the Evangelistic Symposium Topic: What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and the Tobacco Habit? From the Young People's Societies papers were read by the Misses Lerrine Ault and Estella Bates. Lulu Spalding read a paper on The Attitude of Business Men. Mrs. E. C. Harrison gave a short talk on the Press, followed by Mrs. Mudge, Dr. I. E. Davis on The Medical Profession, the M. E. Minister (E. D. Smith) on The Reform Organizations and Mrs. Ada Lynch on Exalted Citizenship.

We had an enthusiastic and helpful Institute from start to finish and all think Mrs. Pearce is the right woman in the right place. All who failed to hear our genial and proficient Leader missed a real treat.

We had with us from Hammond Mrs. Mudge, Rathson, and Shortridge, from Crown Point Mrs. S. G. Wood, Merrill, Crowell, Hilburn, Coffin, Pearce, DeCamp, and Lane, from Hebron Mrs. Rice and Mrs. S. E. Davis.

**Randolph County Institute** was held at Modoc, May 28 and 29. Our leader, Miss Mary Hadley, was present and fully equipped for the work. The first session opened with a good attendance and much interest and enthusiasm, which increased to the close. The three Unions were well represented, and a large number of Wayne County White Ribboners were in attendance, some of whom were Hannah Stanley, County President; Miss Emma Lamb, returned missionary from India; Charles and Aseneth Osborne, Hannah Taylor and Mrs. Wright. Miss Hadley delivered an address the first evening to an audience which filled the largest church even to standing room, while all listened with appreciation to her excellent methods in presenting the Effects of Alcoholic and Nicotine Poisons upon the Human System, through the use of charts illustrating various phases of havoc manifest in the stomach. The children took an important part, giving ready and correct answers, which shows that some training on this line is being done in the public schools. The young men, especially, gave their undivided attention. During all spare moments Miss Hadley worked sweetly and vigorously among young men and women for a Y. branch. Her efforts were crowned with success, and as a memorial of her services she leaves a Mary Hadley Y. of 35 members. The Symposium was, as the word indicates, a merry feast: Excellent talks and papers were presented. The conclusion of the whole matter was, that there is but one way to abolish the drink traffic, and that is to meet the question squarely at the ballot box. A Matrons' contest was held the second evening, in which some of the ladies of the Local Union took part. Mrs. Behringer won the medal. The report of the Committee on Resolutions was unanimously adopted, expressive of much appreciation for the carefully prepared program and for the local management, which developed into a strong presentation and discussion of the topics to be considered in Indiana this year; also resolved that we most heartily commend our State plan for the W. C. T. U. Institutes, and recommend them for their enthu-

All the Names of Paid Members Have Not Been Sent for the MESSAGE by the Local Treasurers.



siasm and educational value. We feel and believe that this has been the best Institute of the County, and God speed and bless our beloved Leader, Mary Hadley. She won our hearts through her simplicity and purity of character while bringing sunshine to our hearts and homes.

**Grant County Institute** was held at Friends' Church, South Marion, June 2 and 3. State President, Mrs. E. P. Wilson; Alice Palmer, Institute Leader; County President, Mrs. Shugart; Mary Balch, Visiting Delegate, and M. O. Gibson, occupied the platform. Do you wonder at Grant County's success? Miss Palmer's opening words, the keynote of the convention, Second Timothy, first chapter. We expect great things of you, but please stir up the gift that is in thee, for there are many more things to be accomplished yet.

"God's Plan of Finance" was ably handled by Millicent Haisley, of Fairmount. Our periodicals all received special attention, Miss Palmer speaking for the *Union Signal* and *MESSAGE*; Mrs. Gibson for the *School Physiology Journal*; Mrs. Woodard for the *Young Crusader*; and Carrie Mendenhall for *The American Mother*. The Problem of the Nation, the subject of Miss Palmer's lecture the first evening, was exceedingly fine, she presenting her thoughts very forcibly. Ten-minute papers were read by Superintendents of the departments of Non-Alcoholic Medication, Law and Statistics, and Sabbath Observance. Discussion by leaders and State President, with Mrs. Balch to do all the clinching. Duties of an Honorary was presented by B. L. Shugart. My pen trails idly in my hand when I undertake to tell the merits of this paper; but one thing he said was, "It is the duty of an honorary to pay his dollar, be disfranchised and keep sweet." Expediencies of an L. T. L. was presented very forcibly by M. O. Gibson. She said Grant County has 14 Unions and that Grant County should have 14 Loyal Legions. State finance, Frances E. Willard Memorial Fund, Organization, the Study of Books and Periodicals, were presented by the Leader, with Mrs. Balch's help. The symposium was exceedingly fine—What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and Tobacco Habit? Ten-minute talks on these topics were presented for the churches. Rev. Shannon, U. B. Church, Marion; Schools, Prof. Tyler, Fairmount Academy; Young People's Societies, Margaret Slifer, President of the Y. W. C. A., Marion, Normal College; Sunday Schools, Mr. McVickers, Superintendent of South Marion Friends' Sunday School; Medical, Dr. Voton-Marion. To write of these papers would require columns of the *MESSAGE*. I only wish you all might have heard them.

This Institute excelled all of the past. Our Leader, Miss Palmer, is a sweet and pleasant woman and we enjoyed her presence with us, and hope that she may again pass this way. We all love Mrs. Balch and were glad to see her enter our open door. Please come again, Mrs. Balch. Our latch string is out at all times. The contest was a decided success. Door fees, \$35; new members received, four, and possibly more. As our County President often expresses herself, this was a high day in Zion.

**Wabash County Institute** was held in Memorial Hall in Wabash, June 11 and 12, with Miss Alice Ruth Palmer as leader. Mrs. Mary Unger, County President, presided.

An unusual interest was taken in the work and the Institute was voted one of the most interesting ever held in the County. A business session was held in the morning of the first day and in the afternoon the regular program was taken up.

Miss Palmer formally opened the Institute and gave as a watch word, the seventh verse of the first chapter of II. Timothy. Mrs. Wheeler, a blind lady of Huntington, sang a selection entitled, *That Earthen Vessel*. A paper was read by Mrs. Ama Jones entitled, *God's Plan of Finance*; the subject was ably handled. Rev. Little, of the Presbyterian Church, being present was introduced to the Institute and spoke a few words, heartily endorsing Mrs. Jones' plan as outlined, and voicing his belief that in God's Plan of Finance, the church would be strengthened. A talk on Literature and Periodicals was then given by the leader, Miss Palmer.

In the evening Miss Palmer gave a lecture in the First M. E. Church. Subject, *The Problem of the Nations and What I Saw in South Africa*.

#### SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Word was received of the death of our beloved sister Crabbs, and Mrs. Murphy, under whose charge the devotional was to be, held it in the form of a memorial and read the 46th and 146th Psalms, followed by prayer.

Round table on Department work. Ten minutes drill and discussion by Superintendent. Miss Holloway then took up the subject of Juvenile Work and Anti-Narcotics, and showed the harmful effect of tobacco on the system. Miss Palmer gave a talk on State and National Plans; illustrating that plans must be made and followed to achieve the best results. Music, *Save the Boys*, by Mrs. L. A. Dawes. Session closed with prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional by Mrs. Unger, County President. What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolishing of the Drink Traffic and the Tobacco Habit?—By the church, Rev. Kemper, First M. E. Church; Business Men, Rev. Moorman of the Friends Church; Medical Profession, Dr. Jordan; Women, Mrs. Riser, of

North Manchester; How to Stand by What is Exalted in Citizenship, Rev. Rilling of Evangelical Church; A Call to Young Women, Miss Palmer.

The Committee on Resolutions then read a resolution of sympathy to the family of our departed sister Crabbs; also of thanks to all friends who have entertained and assisted us in making this meeting a success. Session closed by consecration prayer and benediction.

A gold medal contest was held in the evening. Six young ladies contesting. Miss Lulu Deal being the fortunate winner of the prize.

MRS. EDNA KERR.

**Mrs. M. A. Tompkins** writes: I suppose our County Secretary of Institute has sent you a report for the *MESSAGE* of Elkhart County Institute, held at Wakarusa. It was fine and netted \$6.50 over all expenses. I went from there to Leesburg on Saturday last, lectured Saturday evening, preached Sunday morning, lectured Sunday evening and organized a W. C. T. U. which promises to grow and increase because the members are progressive women and full of enthusiasm. President, Miss Mollie Armstrong; Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Anderson; Treasurer, Mrs. Snyder. The Union is to meet to-morrow evening, pay their dues, and decide what departments they will take up. I urged them to begin work right away, and when I pinned the White Ribbon on them I exhorted them not to put it on only in a determination not to leave it off until the liquor traffic was banished or they should take their flight to the Celestial Country.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** says: Union County is neither dead nor sleeping. Our Institute at College Corner on the 22d and 23d ult. was a decided success. The Contest met expenses and we organized an L. T. L. with 45 members, and got six honorary members with as many dollars to buy supplies for the Legion, and our women all feel much encouraged. Miss Hadley stayed over Sabbath with us, and the Union service on Sabbath eve was crowded. All praised the lecture and want Miss Hadley to call again. Decoration Day I went to Brookville as the guest of the G. A. R. of that city for the Decoration Day address. I am glad to find the old veterans everywhere falling into line for the New Emancipation of the rum shackled slaves of America. June 1—delivered the Memorial Address to a great mass meeting at Abington. I am now in Marion County for three services, at West Newton, Center and Fairfield. Monday I go to Mooresville; Tuesday, Martinsville; Wednesday, Danville and Hadley; Thursday, Amo; Friday, Plainfield; Saturday, Liberty; Sunday, Blooming Grove. On the 22d will be in South Bend. If you have any special work in that section that you would like to have me do, I will be glad to know it. Now for the work in my own County, and our great Annual Temperance Rally and Union County Oratorical Contest will take most of my time after June up to the State Convention. God bless the *MESSAGE* and the busy hands that fill its pages and carry it to Temperance homes.

#### FIELD NOTES.

**Mrs. Stahl**, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, addressed a mothers' meeting at Gas City recently. Her plea for new members was the means of adding several new names to our list, among them the M. E. minister's wife. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a parliamentary drill at one of our meetings, in which we gained a new member and much information.

**Deer Creek Union** always has her hand out for new members. Distance or locality is not considered. A late acquisition is a promising young woman from a neighborhood seven miles away. She brings into the Union a good body, a cultivated voice and a consecrated heart. She is the only White Ribboner in that section. The Union appointed her a Contest Superintendent and recently she held a very successful contest. Her class is strong, entirely new and made up of young men and women from her own community.

**Brazil**—A Mothers' Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Dora Keith Tuesday afternoon, June 17. There were a large number of members and their guests present. An excellent paper was read by Mrs. Harger, on the educational influence of books, pictures, flowers and music, which was ably discussed by Mrs. Zellar, Mrs. Ranney and Mrs. Schultz. Piano selections were given by Misses Bulah Risher and Theo. Ranney, a vocal duet by Mrs. Stunkard and Mrs. D. Army, and a vocal solo by Mrs. Nussel, all of which were highly appreciated. Refreshments were served by the committee in charge and a pleasant social time was engaged in. The hospital entertainment by the hostess, together with the enthusiastic co-operation of the members, made the meeting a memorable and interesting event.

**LaPorte Union** felt very much elated and greatly honored by having Mrs. Lillian Stevens and Miss Anna Gorden, the highest officers of the National W. C. T. U., with them on May 25. June 5 they held a very interesting meeting, Rev. H. N. Harmon, the Superintendent of Narcotics, having charge. The topics were: The Uncleanliness of the Tobacco Habit, Mrs. Malinda Ridgway; The Enslaving Power of Tobacco, Mrs. Seth Pease; The Cigarette the Most Harmful Form of Tobacco, Mrs. M. F. Fortis. On June 6 the ladies, 14 in number, went to Kingsbury to aid and encourage the Rose Pearce Union, of that place, which was organized during the May Institute. Its

members are much interested and very willing to work. Dear Sisters, let us not forget them in our prayers.

**Grant County**—Following the previously arranged plans of Grant County President of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. S. M. Stahl, State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings has just completed a successful visit to that county. She visited eleven Unions. As a result of her labor she gained for the county thirty-eight new members. Her meetings were spiritual blessings and by her earnest lectures she awakened in many mothers a keener perception of their great responsibility in correctly training their children.

**Reports of L. T. L. Contests** held during last year: Bartholomew County, 3 silver; DuBois, 3 silver; Clinton, 4 silver; Benton, 1 silver; Franklin, 3 silver; Grant, 6 silver; Carroll, 1 silver; Huntington, 1 silver; Howard, 3 silver; Hendricks, 2 silver; Knox, 2 silver and 2 gold; Marion, 5 silver; Morgan, 1 silver; Monroe, 1 silver; Marshall, 3 silver; Miami, 1 silver; Parke, 2 silver; Randolph, 1 silver; St. Joseph, 2 silver; Steuben, 4 silver; Vigo, 6 silver; Whitely, 3 silver—making a total of L. T. L. 51 Silver Medal Contests held in the State of Indiana and 2 small Gold Medal L. T. L. contests.

#### MARION COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS' MEETING.

Marion County has thirty-three Department Superintendents who are organized into a Department Board, which corresponds with the State Board of Superintendents. The officers are: Mrs. Mary Balch, President; Mrs. Quincy Lee Morrow, Secretary; Mrs. Ida Copper, Treasurer.

On June 17 this Board held an all day meeting in the Sixth Christian Church. The Board of officers and seventeen County Superintendents were present, together with a number of White Ribboners and visitors.

The program was on the order of a class recitation. Questions were propounded by the leader, Mrs. Balch, and answered by the Superintendents.

The Marion Contest, held in the evening, was thoroughly enjoyable. One who has been long in the work said at the close of the contest: "I shall be a more enthusiastic worker for temperance from this night on." The gold medal was awarded to Mrs. Quincy Lee Morrow.

At the close of the contest Mrs. Mary Balch presented Miss Mamie White a diploma, for having completed the Contest Course. Miss White is the young lady who won the diamond medal at the State Prohibition Convention Contest. Miss White responded in a pleasing speech. Rev. White then spoke of the time, years ago, when he first saw and heard Mary E. Balch, when her cheeks were rosy and her voice was strong, when the daughter who had just received the diploma from her hands was a tiny tot. He told of the impression her earnest words had made upon him, and paid a beautiful tribute to her spirit of self sacrifice and unselfish devotion to the temperance cause. Appreciative hearts responded Amen, and all joined in singing *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

#### MUSICAL CONTESTS.

Furnish the music for the Oratorical Contest. They add very much to the attendance. The sentiment of the song, as well as the sentiment of the recitation, educates—two forces, music and oratory combined, make a double power—try it Unions, I am giving you my experience with, and my endorsement of them. I prefer vocal to instrumental contests; both are allowable.

Island Park Chautauqua begins July 23 and closes August 14. August 15 is our W. C. T. U. program day. I shall have charge of the W. C. T. U. Cottage and be present during the whole time. I have resigned the State Superintendency, but as President of the Island Park Chautauqua Union I will be there this year and hope we can do the best work ever done there for our cause. Our W. C. T. U. sisters can have the conveniences offered by our W. C. T. U. Cottage for \$5.00 for the full time, three weeks, or one week for \$2.00. No County except Steuben has made any offer of carrying out last year's plan, hence that will be dropped and those who go will pay the above prices. The Cottage will furnish place for lodging, the lodgers furnishing their own blanket and pillow—they can get their own breakfast and supper—using dining room, gas stove, ice chest, etc., but providing their own dishes, spoons, napkins, towels, etc. Dinner will be taken at the hotel just across the street. Correspond with the President, 1514 Vernon Ave., Louisville, Ky. Do not wait to make your arrangements or the Cottage may be full. Quincy Lee Morrow, Indianapolis, makes the afternoon address and you can urge any one of your friends to hear him—there is no discount on his service in our cause. And thus saith the Lord, makes strong and convincing his every argument. He has a good voice and a strong delivery. The Reading and the Star Contest on the morning program will be great attractions. Rates, one and one-third fare over all roads.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. ELIZABETH HAYS THOMPSON, a beloved sister and charter member of the Gas City Union, passed to her reward at the age of 57 years. She was one of the faithful few to help keep a small weak Union alive, until it became established. We so sadly miss her kindly presence. Her beautiful christian life was an example to all who knew her. The Union had resolutions of sympathy printed in the local paper, also a bouquet of flowers with white ribbon and scripture text placed on her grave decoration day.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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**The Woman's Christian Temperance Union** of Indiana will meet in convention in the city of Huntington, October 3 to 7, inclusive, 1902, in the M. E. Church, corner of Market and Guilford streets.

EUNICE P. WILSON,  
President.

**The sixth biennial** convention of the World's W. C. T. U. will meet in Geneva, Switzerland, June, 1903.

**The twenty-ninth annual** convention of the National W. C. T. U. will meet in Portland, Maine, October 17-22, 1902.

DEAR SISTERS AND CO-WORKERS—Our State paper is deficient in space, not in good material to give to its readers, and for that reason I feel satisfied to now and then give the room my letter would take to some dear worker to tell us how she won that victory, or to a superintendent to report a bit of good work done in her department.

There is much yet to be done in this last quarter of the year's work if we come to our convention feeling that our plans have all been worked out. If we are faithful to our trust, we will gather together feeling our faith in God strengthened and a new determination to give our best to the W. C. T. U., that our country may become a safe place for our children.

The Trustees for Hadley Industrial School for Girls have been earnest and energetic in their efforts to keep the school at its best, and I would especially urge delinquent Unions to do their duty for our school, so that your own hearts, as well as ours, will be made glad. I also lovingly ask each Union in the State to comply with the request of the Central Committee to observe the day of prayer and thanksgiving, as dictated in this MESSAGE. If any Union finds it impossible to hold the service on the day thus set apart, then do so as nearly as convenient. Dear hearts, let us come together with songs of praise on our lips, while we give our offerings as unto the Lord. It may be in remembrance of some great blessing that has come to us or our dear ones; and let no one withhold her mite because she cannot give as much as her friends can afford to give. The Savior took notice of the widow's gift, as well as of the possessions of the rich young ruler. I feel sure, if every White Ribboner will give of her means and ask her friends who believe in our organization for a donation, our Treasurer would be able to close her books at the end of the year with a very light heart and have a balance left in the treasury with which to start our superintendents in their work the coming year. Will you, dear co-worker, be one of the helpers?  
EUNICE P. WILSON.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR FREE-WILL OFFERING MEETING, AUGUST 28, 1902.

1. Have a public meeting, well advertised by pulpit and press, and extend a cordial invitation to all.
2. Instruct your Corresponding Secretary to take the list of members and send to each one (by mail, if necessary) two or three envelopes for herself and friends. Let every member solicit at least two friends for contributions, either large or small, for our cause. More envelopes will be sent your Union if needed. Envelopes sent into neighboring towns or communities where there are no Unions may be good seed-sowing.
3. If you have in connection with your Union a Loyal Temperance Legion, invite the members to attend the meeting and give them envelopes, that they may have a part in the free-will offering.
4. Place a basket, decorated with white ribbon, in charge of some one at each entrance to the church to receive the envelopes as the audience comes in.
5. At a specified time during the meeting open the envelopes and read the accompanying sentiments or texts and announce the results.
6. After the envelopes have been opened, let some one recite a good collection speech and take a basket collection, as some of the audience may not have envelopes.
7. Give the program suggested by the State Central Committee, or have a lecture or address by a State or National worker. Ask the members of the L. T. L. or other young people to assist in singing, taking an offering or other exercises.
8. Specially invite the pastors and other Christian workers, but let the meeting be in the hands of the W. C. T. U.
9. Endeavor to secure new regular and honorary members at the meeting.
10. After the meeting the Local Treasurer will divide the proceeds, sending one-half the offering (plus 25 cents for printing expenses) to the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis, retaining the remainder in the local treasury for home use. The sum given by each Union will be published. If more envelopes are needed, please send to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State Treasurer, for more. The following is a suggestive program:

- 10:00 A. M. Bible reading or prayer.
- 10:30 A. M. Season of prayer for personal consecration and holiness in the temperance work.
- 11:00 A. M. Testimony and discussion on the spiritual needs of the Union.
- Noontide prayer.
- 2:00 P. M. Singing and devotions.
- 2:15 P. M. Address—Systematic and Proportionate Giving—Discussion.
- 3:15 P. M. Exercises in connection with the opening of the envelopes. Collection speech, followed by a collection.
- 4:00 P. M. Announcement of thank-offering Prayer.
- 4:30 P. M. Adjournment.

Please give careful consideration to this letter and its suggestions at the next regular or specially called meeting of your Union:

DEAR CO-WORKERS—At the time of our last State Executive meeting the question of finance and the need of more funds for State work was discussed at some length. It was decided by a full vote to adopt the free-will offering plan, preliminaries being left with the State Central Committee, who decided to set apart August 28 as a day of prayer and thank-offering. Envelopes will be sent you, with directions for their use and suggestions for the public meeting which, we trust, will be held by every Union in the State on the date designated, or as near it as possible. In this way the attention of the public will be awakened to the object and methods of our organization and thus become interested in our great work.

The demand upon all the treasuries increases with our growth and unless replenished in some way our work must be seriously crippled. We appeal to each Union to prayerfully consider this plan of widening our influence. The gifts secured by the envelopes systematically and energetically circulated among friends outside the Union, combined with the free-will offerings of our members and Loyal Legion companies, will give us a grand total in money, which, mixed with prayer and good works, will hasten the coming of His kingdom.

Please give special attention to the accompanying suggestions for the public meeting and for the distribution of envelopes as specified.

Yours in behalf of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana,  
EUNICE WILSON,  
President.  
MARY HADLEY,  
Vice-President.  
HATTIE BRAND,  
Corresponding Secretary.  
MATTIE GIBSON,  
Recording Secretary.  
AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
Treasurer.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

One of the questions asked by our National Secretary, Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright, for the annual report, is this: How many societies observed the Willard memorial and Mrs. Barnes' birthday? Now I will be obliged to say one, the Anderson Y.; the free will offering 50. If any did observe either one please report to me at once.

The engravers and publishers say that the finest almanac we have had will be the one this year, and will be in my hands at the State Convention for sale. Order now from me if you want any extras. The sale of these go toward helping send out a new missionary for the W. C. T. U. work, Miss Kara Smart. She needs our gold and our prayers.

Another word about the dues. Please see that your Y. W. C. T. U. Treasurer calls upon each one enrolled on the Secretary's book. Call soon, so it will give them a chance to lay the dues aside, as our year closes September 15. A little over two months to lay aside \$1.00. Suppose we only have five weeks at 20 cts. per week and we will be ready. Girls, say I can and I will pay my dues and be recognized in the local, the county, the state, the national and world's W. C. T. U. work. Be preparing to send your delegate to the State W. C. T. U. Convention at Huntington, in October. We need and want the girls there to catch the enthusiasm and get new plans and ideas.

The Diamond Medal Contest and Y. night, will be held on Saturday evening at Huntington and it ought to prove to be young people's night for the societies in the city.

Girls, sell papers, bake or do some kind of work the second week in August, to earn your dues. Let us all try it together.

Goshen Y. gives up one of their dear workers, Miss Daisy Rohr, to the far off mission field of Corea. May the blessing of God attend her and husband, the Rev. Kerns, whom she marries this month in their far away home.

Do you attend and try to keep your meetings up during the heated term? Plan some out of door meetings, a lawn social and as much out door work as possible.

Remember and keep account of all the flowers you give away and make out State Flower Superintendent's heart rejoice. Study God's word carefully and pray much for the work and workers and let us bring Indiana's Y. membership up. CLARA M. SEARS.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

While no edict has ever been issued making L. T. L. dues binding, yet the recommendation for the payment of such dues, sent out from our State and National W. C. T. U. conventions, should be construed as amounting to an obligation. Even had no such recommendation been passed, we could hardly fail to recognize the fact that the W. C. T. U., which inaugurated and has sustained through all the years of its own existence this L. T. L. branch, has a right to expect that auxiliary dues will be brought as a willing offering to the State and National W. C. T. U. treasury. When we consider that the amount asked is only ten cents per member annually and that it requires only one thousand members, each paying this very small sum, to entitle a State to an L. T. L. delegate of its own to the National convention, it would seem that Indiana should be thus represented; and remember any local or county whose ten cent dues amount to \$10 shall be entitled to elect its own delegate (who shall be a W. C. T. U. member and an active L. T. L. worker) to the State convention. We find some local superintendents afraid to ask dues, lest they lose members, but we believe this is a needless fear, since it is a well-known fact that people have always an especial interest in an object in which they have invested something. If this matter is skillfully managed, the dues may be a means of lending dignity to the Legion in the estimation of the boys and girls and of increasing their interest. We will have a State Honor Roll this year at our State convention containing the names of all Legions who pay dues on all pledged members, and I know you will all want to see it and have your Legion entered on it (see circular letter for explanation). Remember to send all ten-cent dues to our State W. C. T. U. Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis, and all the Senior 25 cent dues to Felix McWhirter, 2312 College avenue, Indianapolis, as soon as the year closes, which is September 15. I have received reports from just a few Legions. Let us not fail to report all work done during the year at the close of this quarter. Give a definite answer to all questions on the report blanks and write me of anything done outside of the questions, or new plans tried by your Legions; it may help some one else. Where you have a Senior organization, let your Secretary of the Legion send a report also to Miss Katharine Elizabeth Straw, 328 Haggard street, LaFayette.

Remember the awards and let each Legion try for one or more of these banners—the Organization banner for the county organizing the largest number of Legions; the Willard Gordon banner for the greatest amount of L. T. L. dues, and the new Senior banner for the largest graduates' class.

Those having foundation blocks for the autograph quilt will please get them completed by our State convention. Let us try and finish the quilt this year.

At the first of the year our dear Mrs. Brand sent me the names of each local W. C. T. U. President. I sent each one a circular letter and Plan of Work. I heard from quite a few, but some counties I have not heard from. Now, I am going to ask through the MESSAGE for each County L. T. L. Secretary to please send me her name and address, as well as of all local secretaries in her county.

The National prize flag will go to the State paying the largest percentage of National dues in proportion to its pledged membership, provided not less than \$20 is paid. Now, I do not say we can get this prize flag, but let us strive to pay the \$50 National dues and have our delegate to the National convention.

IDA M. MIX,  
State Secretary, L. T. L.

D. H. McAbee, State Factory Inspector, is sending out a circular letter to about forty of the large foundries, machine shops and rolling-mills of the State, suggesting that they provide bath-rooms for their employees. He comments on the excellent results of an experiment of the kind in Michigan City. He says that the effect of a bath after the hot, dirty work of an engine-room or foundry, would reduce the desire on the part of the men for a stimulant.—Indianapolis News.

Character and choice go hand in hand. Where there is preference for good, there the thing done reacts upon the doer, fashions itself into a readiness, becomes a joy and a renovation of the whole nature. A grumbling, reluctant virtue has no formative effect.—B. H. Alford.



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## WILL SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE BE TAUGHT IN YOUR SCHOOLS NEXT YEAR? IF SO, HOW?

Put temperance leaflets in your letters and keep several on the shelf for friends. Read the *Union Signal*, the *Phalanx* and the *New Voice*, then tell somebody something you have read. It will be news to them.

Send temperance papers to your ministers and Sunday School Superintendents. Few plans for riding this country of saloons do they ever find in their church papers. Definite plans, with a right purpose, will bring decision and action.

Attend the County Teachers' Institute and carefully listen to the scientific temperance teaching. In every county the very best talent should be secured to present this subject before the teachers. Our temperance people should assist in the selection of these instructors by wisely suggesting proper persons.

At the Teachers' Institute practical temperance and anti-tobacco literature should be distributed (with tact).

If you are an officer in the Local or County Union be faithful, do promptly and well your part.

The great need of our organization is women of conviction, who are willing to do the sowing and leave the harvest for the Lord to care for.

How can any woman who is a White Ribboner allow herself to be called County President or Local President or any other officer and not work hard to discharge the duties of the office? If she does not desire to loyally serve this great cause, the just thing for her to do is to resign. She can not excuse herself by saying some of the other officers did not do their work. There is no excuse for disloyalty and it is certainly disloyal to accept of an office by the ballots of the membership and then not strive to perform all of the duties of that office—keeping to the constitution in spirit and letter. To hold an office on public occasion and in name, without honestly following duty, can not bring success. Honest efforts without tangible results are always appreciated and are known and understood.

Why do you belong to the W. C. T. U.? If you joined because you wanted to lend your influence and efforts toward the everlasting overthrow of king alcohol, and you are honest with yourself and with God, you are doing something that counts. It may be little in your estimation, but if it is all that you can do, then it is great. If you enlisted from a deep sense of your obligation to God and to humanity, you are in this warfare until victory comes. There will be no discharges except those brought by the death angel. If you wear the White Ribbon under that condition, your influence will count for much.

Life is short at best and each day's record is made. The hours are laden with opportunities. Are you using them against king alcohol and for God and Home and Native Land?

## HADLEY SCHOOL.

The Board of Control for the Hadley School most kindly ask the Unions which endorse the girls sent to the School, to send none who are feeble-minded or vicious. Under the conditions of the deed, girls must be pure and worthy and of sound mind. This home is in no sense a Reformatory, but a Christian home, free from prison rules.

L. HOBART.

## FRANCHISE.

Federated Australia has passed the adult suffrage bill, and at the next federal election all the women in

Australia will be able to vote for both houses of the Federal Parliament. This gives 800,000 women the privilege to vote on the same terms as men. The women of New Zealand have had the elective franchise for nine years and good has come out of it in many ways. With the women of the four States—Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho—there are at the present time 1,500,000 women who may cast the ballot on the same terms as men.

General Reale, of Colorado, says: "With us, women exert a great influence on public affairs. They do this everywhere, but in our state they do it openly and legally." General Hale also said, "Every argument against woman's suffrage would, if impartially applied, disfranchise certain classes of men who now exercise the privilege." "So far as I have been able to judge by observation of elections and analysis of returns, more women vote in the better districts than in the slums; the average result has therefore been beneficial." Differences of political opinion do not lead to family quarrels nor divorces.

Massachusetts has just given mothers equal rights with fathers as to the care and disposition of children. This makes twelve states of our Union in which mothers have been granted this power. In all the other states the father has the sole control. From study we find that the majority of intelligent workmen are for women's suffrage; the ignorant workman is against it.

What is most needed to educate by agitation? Will not the Indiana women take up this work in earnest? Circulate the enrollment petitions for women's ballot and come up to the State Convention with laurels won and receive the two banners that have been offered by your State Superintendent of Franchise to the county securing the most names on the petitions over 500, a banner. To the individual securing the most names over 500, a banner. Send in your reports by September 15.

Meeting at Mrs. Motts, River avenue, Elkhart, was a very enjoyable affair. A cool breeze swept through the parlors where the ladies were seated. We learned from articles read and from discussions that at this present time, 1902, there are in the world one and a quarter million women that enjoy the elective franchise.

The most important victory that the equal right movement has won is the granting of National Suffrage to the 800,000 women of Federated Australia. For nine years the women of New Zealand have had full suffrage, and it is said to work well. Wyoming women have had the elective franchise over 33 years, with the finest results. Within the last ten years equal suffrage has been secured in Colorado, Utah and Idaho. Many other states have granted to their women municipal and school suffrage.

We believe that the women of America are not inferior to those of Australia in intelligence and patriotism, and we call on American men to emulate the Legislators of Australia in justice and chivalry.

President Roosevelt is an equal suffrage man; he voted for it when he was a member of the New York Legislature. He recommended it when he became Governor of New York. In his message to the Legislature in 1899 he wrote: "I call the attention of the Legislature to the desirability of gradually extending the sphere in which the suffrage can be exercised by women."

The question, who owns the baby, brought out the fact that Massachusetts has just passed a law making mothers equal guardians of their minor children with the fathers. Under the old law the husband had the sole control and disposal of the children. This often works great hardships both to mother and child; notwithstanding, that same old law is now in force in many of our states. We call attention to the fact that whereas fifty years ago married women were subject to all the legal disabilities of minors, these disabilities are gradually being removed, until now it is only in regard to the ballot that a perpetual minority is kept up.

It is owing to the work of the W. C. T. U. and the W. C. A. that our brothers' eyes have been caused to see the injustice of our laws to the wife and mother. We expect to continue agitating and educating.

Fine refreshments were served by our hostess and we considered the hour well spent.

M. A. TOMPKINS,  
State Superintendent.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

As you all know, we are now on the last quarter for this year. Please remember, all reports must be in so I can make my report and have it in the hands of the Recording Secretary five days before the State convention, so please be very prompt in sending in your reports. There seems to be a little confusion in the ranks with regard to the W. R. C. R., how to dispose of that ten cents. One Superintendent thinks she is to keep six cents and send four cents to some State officer. No, dear, the State officers do not get one bit of that ten cents. It is this way: The Local Superintendent keeps five cents for literature for mothers' meetings and sends five cents to the County Superintendent, who keeps two cents and sends three cents to the State Superintendent. The State Superintendent keeps two cents and sends one cent to the National Superintendent. If you have no County Superintendent, let each Local Superintendent send to me three cents for every child enrolled. I must have the name of every Local Superintendent that has organized W. R. C. R.'s and the number enrolled,

with the money, then I will know who will be entitled to the prize that I promised at the first of the year to the woman who enrolled the most children. You remember I also offered a prize to the woman who held the greatest number of mothers' meetings. I will fulfill my part of the contract at the State convention. Please be careful and definite in your reports and write plainly. Sometimes it is quite a puzzle to understand some of your reports. Let us make these last few weeks full of life and energy and tell for the cause of God and our work for humanity. If there is a class of educators who need special preparations for their high and holy duties, it is those who assume the responsibility of parents. It is recognized now by the progressive that pre-natal influences are a most potent factor in a child's education; and since it is within the power of parents to thus intelligently mould the character of their children, duty would seem to demand that they do so. The two things that most powerfully affect humanity for good or ill—heredity and environment—should be made as good as possible. "The entrance of truth bringeth light." Push the battle, dear sisters, for the betterment of humanity.

MRS. S. M. STAHL.

## THE TRUTH DEFENDED.

No braver battle was ever fought than is being waged now, in one form or another, by Mrs. Mary E. Hunt, National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, for the whole truth against alcoholic drinks and other narcotics to be taught in all public schools of this country. The great prominence given by the press to the pro alcoholic views of Professor O. W. Atwater sometimes obscures the fact that there are many good and wise men in the ranks of science who do not agree with the Atwater position and who, recognizing the deep meaning for the future of Mrs. Hunt's labors, are ready to defend them.

It will be remembered that at the annual meeting of the New York State Science Teachers' Association in Syracuse last December, Professor Atwater delivered a long address on scientific temperance instruction in the public schools, the substance of which was his claim that "the teaching in the schools as to the effect of alcohol upon the human system is not in accord with the latest scientific knowledge." Professor Atwater cited his own experiments, which he claimed were supported by Dr. Rosemann, of Griefswald, Germany, as this latest scientific knowledge with which the endorsed schools of physiologies are not in accord. Mrs. Hunt, who was present, was given ten minutes in which to reply to Professor Atwater's address of more than an hour, and, reading from the very article by Dr. Rosemann which Professor Atwater cited, she showed that Dr. Rosemann, instead of supporting them, said distinctly that the Atwater experiments on the important point in question did not prove what Professor Atwater said they did, and that therefore his often repeated charge against the present temperance teaching in the schools has not the scientific support he claims. A prominent New York school man present said, "That scene led us teachers to wonder if Mrs. Hunt always has in her pocket the scientific documents to meet every emergency."

A significant sequel of that discussion is found in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* of June 21 in the report of the annual meeting of the American Academy of Medicine at Saratoga, N. Y. It is especially interesting because called out by the question of a layman, one of the state school officials of New York. The *Journal of the American Medical Association* says:

"Mr. Taylor, of the Board of Regents of New York, said that in a recent discussion the views of Professor Atwater, of Wesleyan University, were diametrically opposed to those of Mrs. Hunt, a leader of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and he desired to know the judgment of the academy."

"Dr. Didama (Dean of the Medical School of Syracuse University) said he had been present at the discussion referred to by Mr. Taylor. The majority of those who favored Professor Atwater's views were teachers who felt that they had already too many studies to teach and did not want to add to them the teaching of temperance and physiology. Professor Atwater's statements had been answered by Mrs. Hunt. Quotations had been made from some of the most prominent authorities from abroad and Professor Atwater had gone away with the opinion of the people against him—except some of the teachers who wanted to teach less and some who themselves wanted to drink."

"Dr. W. S. Hall (Professor of Physiology in Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago) said the whole matter rested on the definition of food. If we define a food as a substance which is oxidized within the body, then there is nothing more to say about it. Because a substance possesses characteristics similar to another substance, it is not justifiable to conclude that it is to be classed with that other substance. It is not until we take into consideration the whole influence of alcohol that we see the many reasons why it should not be classed as a food."

CORA F. STODDARD.

## PRESS.

It has indeed been gratifying to me to know that I have had your sympathy and prayers during my continued illness and my heart is full of praises to our God that my life has been spared and that I may still have a small place among His workers.



I have been pleased with the reports which have come to me of the work of the third quarter, but may I not hope for and expect more reports for the fourth and last quarter of the year? Let us try hard to make it the very best quarter of the year. Write of the coming State convention to be held at Huntington; speak of it through the columns of your local and county papers and advertise it well. Then the coming National convention at Portland is of far more than usual interest because of the attractions it promises, both in speakers and in the opportunity to see two of the large eastern cities. A day of sight seeing in Boston and a great rally there are part of the convention arrangements; and with Lady Henry Somerset as the guest of the convention, we all feel that we want to go.

Watch for the notices in the *Union Signal* and repeat them in your dailies and local and county papers. Much of the success of any convention or gathering depends upon the press notices, so let us see our responsibilities and grasp the opportunities for doing much work during the next few weeks. I hope you will help me in keeping Indiana to the front in press work. Let us do a work of which we need not feel ashamed and which will bring credit to our State. We can do this, dear superintendents, if we work for it unitedly. Will you help?

It has been a source of great regret with me that I have been able to do so little of what I hoped and wanted to do for this department. But our plans are not God's plans sometimes and I trust that the chastening, through affliction, which I have received may be a great blessing to me and that He may use me in some way for the advancement of the cause which binds our hearts together.

LAURA GENEVA CAMMACK.

### ANTI-CIGARETTE WORKERS, ATTENTION!

Please remember all chain letters, postal cards, anything and everything that is being done to secure names, unless endorsed by the W. C. T. U. is done for advertising purposes.

If a plan is practical it is always endorsed by the W. C. T. U. Be sure the plan is signed by a worker who is known to at least your State President.

Mrs. Ida B. Cole, 5442 Madison Ave., Chicago, Associate Superintendent and Lecturer for the Department of Anti-Narcotics, will speak entirely upon "Cigarettes." Please write Mrs. Cole for dates and terms.

MRS. E. B. INGALLS.

### OUR REVISED CONSTITUTION.

In the July MESSAGE we find the report of the Committee. We call attention to Article IV, Auxiliaries. If the report is accepted as it reads, it will unsettle the payment of the price of the MESSAGE. Now the 10 cts. coming from the State Treasurer, added to this from county and local Union Treasurers, pays for it. If this revised constitution, as it is given to us from the hands of the Committee is accepted, it will necessitate a radical change. We shall be very much unsettled again. Consider the matter in your Local Unions and County Conventions and executive committee meetings and be sure you understand the points when we come to ballots in our State Convention.

MARY E. BALCH.

### WHITE RIBBONERS, TAKE NOTICE.

The happiest of all the happy opportunities of spreading the White Ribbon gospel is to be found at the Summer Assemblies. Dear Sisters, I wish to urge all who live near any of the Summer Assemblies to attend and assist in unfurling the white banner of the temperance reform. The gates are thrown open at so many places and White Ribboners receive a more hearty welcome than ever before. The following is a list of those yet to come:

Island Park, Rome City, July 23 to August 15. W. C. T. U. day is August 5. Grand preparations are being made.

Acton Park, W. C. T. U. day July 30. Preparations are being made for a large crowd and basket dinner. Principal speakers—Quincy Lee Morrow, of Indianapolis, and Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, Ind. Pine Lake, July 31, under the direction of Miss Palmer, of Franklin, Ind.

W. C. T. U. day at Bethany Park, Monday, July 28, has one of the best programs we have noticed, so far. Speakers—Oliver W. Stewart, Prof. Dungan, Dan G. Carter, State Home Masters, Dr. W. H. Boles. Only those who have attended the assemblies know what they miss by not being present.

MRS. MARY EVALYN EVERTSON,  
Superintendent of Summer Assemblies.

### NICHOLSON LAW IN DANGER—ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE SENDS A LETTER TO VOTERS.

E. G. Saunderson, superintendent of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, for the State Board of Trustees, has issued an address to voters, in which he says:

"The liquor interests of the State are making a most determined effort to secure the repeal of the Nicholson law by the next Legislature, notwithstanding the fact that the law was passed in response to a general sentiment, receiving a majority vote of both political parties in both House and Senate. Because of the very popularity of the law, shown by the

closing of 100 saloons in five weeks following the upholding of the power of attorney by the Supreme Court and the springing up of the remonstrance in a score of towns, the saloonists hasten to try to force candidates for the Legislature into pledges to vote in the matter contrary to the wishes of a majority of their constituents.

"In passing this law the Legislature took a position of neutrality and handed the liquor problem over to the people. It is demanded now that the Legislators become the champions of the saloon and force the traffic upon those who do not wish it; and to avow that those who know enough to vote for them do not know enough to decide whether they want a saloon next to their homes or not. We confidently appeal not only to temperance people, but to all lovers of fair play and majority rule, that this nefarious, un-American plan shall not succeed; that the voters of Indiana stand by their candidates who stand by the rights of the people."

If you really desire to be happy and to make others around you happy, think of others more than self. Canon Kingsley well describes the selfish person who, to our mind, must be of all others most miserable. He says: "Think about yourself; about what you want, what you like, what respect people ought to pay you, what people think of you, and then to you nothing will be pure. You will spoil everything you touch; you will make sin and misery for yourself out of everything which God sends you; you will be as wretched as you choose on earth, or in heaven, either."

The Sterling Union now numbers 129 members, probably the largest in the State. We glean from the W. C. T. U. column in the *Democrat*: "The reception given to the new members in the beautiful home of Mrs. Sherman was a great success from a White Ribboner's point of view. Refreshments were served and a short program was rendered. Each new member was given a certificate of membership, a copy of our National and State papers and an Annual Leaflet, all rolled together and tied with a white ribbon. Each was also presented with a bow of white ribbon. Choice words of welcome were spoken by our President, and all too soon the hour for home going arrived. We older members who have struggled along for so many years, sometimes barely keeping the organization from going to pieces, feel greatly encouraged and rejoice that a wise, energetic young President has come into the kingdom for such a time as this. It is our exceeding great pleasure to stand by her, help her and do her bidding and thus grow a good leader and a good, intelligent working Union. And in justice to her we want it known that to her energy and enthusiasm belongs the credit of our membership boom."—*Colorado Tidings*.

### A LETTER.

On another page of this issue you will read the call for a special Day of Prayer and Thankoffering for the State work. The day set apart is August 28, and I do earnestly hope that every Union will do its best to carry out the program suggested by the Central Committee. We all have so very much to be grateful to God for that each member will surely feel that they have a thank-offering to offer to our heavenly Father. Shall Christian women who are W. C. T. U. workers and members, wearers of the "bow of ribbon white," which means so much to humanity all over the world, be content to let the cause we love so well languish for the lack of money? From all over our beloved State comes the call for workers and organizers, but very much of the Lord's money which should be used in this work is locked up in the pocketbooks of Christian people.

Dear sisters, did you ever think of the difference between personal salvation and a purse and all salvation? We need both if we are faithful followers and obedient children of the Lord Jesus Christ. Let each local Union begin at once to arrange for the suggested meeting and strive to carry out the program as closely as possible. For those needing help in preparing the address or in the discussion, I would advise that they write to "Layman," 310 Ashland avenue, Chicago, enclosing 25 cents for literature on this subject. Also I would recommend Miss Frances E. Townsley's new leaflet, "How Shall I Give of My Substance?" and Mrs. Esther Tuttle Pritchard's leaflet on "Tithing and Entertainment." Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, The Temple, Chicago. I shall be glad to send you leaflets I have on hand if you will send five or ten cents in stamps, and any of these last named would be good for distribution at the meeting. As texts for Bible readings I would name the following: Prov. 3:9, 10; 2 Chron. 31:5; 2 Cor. 9:7; Deut. 16:17, 18; 2 Cor. 8:12; Lev. 27:30; Mal. 3:8. Let each pray and work that a great blessing may be the result of this day of prayer.

In closing, let me remind you that the close of our convention year is fast approaching. I want to thank all those superintendents who have so faithfully sent me their reports each quarter and to ask them to be on time in September. To those who have not reported, let me say, will you not make an effort to report your work before the year closes, that our department may have a good showing at the State convention?

ROSE PEARCE.

2 Cor. 8:11, 12 (New Version).

### STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL, MAY AND JUNE.

#### RECEIPTS.

By Balance .....	\$8.44
Organization .....	33.35
Life Membership, Mrs. Stahl .....	25.00
Interest on State Loan .....	15.00
On MESSAGE Debt for 1900 .....	30.00
Sale of Scarf Pins .....	1.65
Sale of Anti-Cigarette Cards .....	.50
Sale of State Minutes .....	5.22
Donations for Philippine Pledge .....	9.00
Memorial Fund .....	4.00
L. T. L. Dues .....	4.45
County Dues .....	5.85
State Dues .....	375.02
Total .....	\$517.48

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Balance due on appropriation for Superintendents' Institutes .....	\$25.00
Balance due on appropriation for Superintendents' Summer Assembly .....	42.00
Balance due on appropriation for Superintendents' Organization .....	35.00
MESSAGE debt for 1900 .....	31.25
Leaflets for State work .....	8.95
Printing for State work .....	15.90
Organization in Institute work .....	126.30
State President, postage .....	1.11
State President, car fare .....	4.50
State President, street car fare .....	.40
Vice-President, postage .....	2.85
Vice-President, stationery .....	.45
Vice-President, entertainment .....	.50
Corresponding Secretary, postage .....	18.73
Corresponding Secretary, street car fare .....	1.15
Corresponding Secretary, cartage .....	.25
Recording Secretary, postage .....	1.03
Recording Secretary, street car fare .....	1.40
Treasurer, postage .....	9.75
Treasurer, supplies .....	.10
Treasurer, telegrams .....	.46
Treasurer, expressage .....	.30
Treasurer, street car fare .....	.45
Expenses State Central Committee .....	9.75
Part on printing Minutes .....	50.00
State L. T. L. Secretary .....	2.23
State Y. Secretary .....	5.25
National Treasurer, L. T. L. dues .....	2.23
National Treasurer, Philippine Pledge .....	9.00
National Treasurer, Willard Memorial .....	4.00
National Treasurer, Y. dues .....	3.75
National Treasurer, W. dues .....	90.00
Balance .....	13.45
Total .....	\$517.48

### INSTITUTES.

Pulaski County held a very successful Institute in the M. E. Church at Winamac, June 16 and 17, with Mrs. Rose Pearce as leader. The first day in the afternoon, temperance literature was thoroughly discussed. Mrs. Mary Blue, of Star City, read a very interesting paper on the subject. Sabbath Observance was also ably discussed, the Winamac ladies taking an active part. Mrs. S. M. Dunn, of Star City, gave a report of good work done along that line. The second day Mother Trish was with us and led the morning devotional. The department work was taken up. Mrs. Anna Rush, of Francisville, read an excellent paper on Mothers' Meetings, which was helpfully discussed by Mother Trish. Miss Clara Crosson read a very instructive paper on Temperance Work in Sunday Schools, which was thoroughly discussed. Mrs. Ellen S. Potter gave report of work done in all five schools in Van Buren township. Pledge cards signed, and petition to keep temperance lessons in the Inter-Nation series, signed by all schools in the township, and cards and petitions sent to Denver convention. Mrs. Emma Korner, of Star City, read an excellent and convincing paper on Peace and Arbitration, which was thoroughly discussed. Mrs. Wilson, of Francisville, read a paper on Department of Mercy, which was ably discussed by Rose Pearce. Seven little girls from Star City sang Indiana Song. A paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication was read by Mrs. Ellen S. Potter. Mother Trish led the afternoon devotional. Symposium topic—What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Drink Traffic and Tobacco Habit? was taken up and occupied most of the afternoon. The speakers were Rev. Windbigler, W. R. Lowe, Miss Clara Crosson, Mrs. Rush, Mrs. Pearce and Dr. G. W. Thompson. Mrs. Higgins, of Francisville, recited The Drunkard's Wife. Misses Lucy and Marie Lytle, of Star City, sang beautifully for us. The lecture, first day evening and contest was well attended. The judges gave their decision to Miss Clara Burrows, of Winamac, her recitation being the Nation's Curse. Receipts of offerings and contest more than covered expenses.

Fulton County W. C. T. U. held a two days' Institute at Kewanna, on the 12th and 13th inst. Mrs. Pearce was the efficient leader and the meeting was pleasant and profitable throughout. The lecture on Thursday evening, "Side Lights of the Temperance Question," was especially interesting. The attendance was small on account of the extreme heat and occasional showers, but all who attended felt amply repaid and Mrs. Pearce will always find a warm welcome in Fulton County W. C. T. U. circles.



**Pulaski County Institute** was held June 16 and 17, at the M. E. Church at Winamac; with Mrs. Rose Pearce as leader and Mother Trish assisting, the Institute could not be anything but interesting. Monday morning was spent in devotional services. Monday afternoon was devoted to organization and the opening numbers of the program. A paper was read on Temperance Literature, by Mary Blue, and a very interesting discussion by the leader, Mrs. Rose Pearce and others. Monday evening Mrs. Pearce gave a lecture on the Side Lights of the Temperance Question. After her discussion names were taken to form a local organization of the W. C. T. U. Tuesday morning Mother Trish led the devotional services, after which the Round-table of department work was taken up. Papers were read on each department and each was so enthusiastically discussed by the leader and others that you would think each one, while being discussed, was the most important on the list. Tuesday afternoon was equally as interesting. The symposium topic, What Shall be the Next Step in the Abolition of the Liquor Traffic and Tobacco Habit? was ably discussed by Rev Windbigler, W. R. Lowe and others. Tuesday evening was silver medal contest. The contestants were Melville Merriwell, Maud Saunders, Julia Frierick, Mildred Manders, Vera Yarnell and Clara Burroughs. Miss Burroughs won the medal. Subject, the Nation's Curse. Much enthusiasm was manifested and much good work accomplished and our faith renewed in the good cause of Temperance.

MARY BLUE,  
County Corresponding Secretary.

**Coloma Y.**, organized by Miss Mary Hadley. President, Miss Minnie B. Moore; Secretary, Miss Ethel Cook; Treasurer, Miss Orpha Morris.

Since the close of the third quarter the following Unions have paid dues: Valparaiso, \$4.40; Hebron, \$1.80; Columbus, \$2.00; Hope, 40 cents; Petersburg, 40 cents; Hartsville, \$3.60; Jeffersonville, \$2.00; Shelbyville, \$2.00; Lyons, 40 cents.

**LaPorte Union** held its annual picnic at the Talmadge cottage, Waverly Beach, July 10, to which all W. C. T. U. members of the county and others were invited. A letter from the Hadley Home was read, stating that the insurance had expired and to renew it each Union was assessed \$3. A collection was taken and more than that amount raised. It was decided that the county rent a cottage at the Pine Lake Assembly grounds, to be occupied by the W. C. T. U. and their friends during the last week in July. A cordial invitation was extended to all White Ribboners of the State and others to come and take a few days' outing and help in a good work, as Mrs. Balch said last year, it will do all good.

**Montpelier Union** took advantage of the offer made by the State and secured ten new members, for which we obtained a speaker. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, of Indianapolis, was sent us. Her lecture was full of enthusiasm and was listened to by a large and appreciative audience. Mrs. Stahl, our County President, was with us. Our Union is alive in the good work and we look forward to our county convention this fall, anticipating one of the best meetings we have ever had in our county.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Indianapolis** Frances E. Willard Union held a Gold Medal Contest at Hall Place Church, May 19; there were five contestants. Clara Chrumm won the medal. There was a large attendance, a very interesting program, consisting of music and recitations \$10.00 of the proceeds were sent to the Hadley Home.

**Mrs. Fargher**, President LaPorte County, writes: We had dear Mrs. Pearce with us as leader in our Institute at Kingsbury, where we organized a fine union of young women with young children in all their homes, also a Y. with four members, with the promise of more to come. We had a little contest. We done well, we thought, with the children in the last month of school. The County President and a delegation of members from LaPorte Union go down there soon to help with the first meeting.

**Mrs. Eves**, of North Vernon, writes: North Vernon Union observed Flower Mission Day. An interesting programme was rendered and bouquets, with text cards attached, were taken to the sick and bereaved of the city. A Grand Gold and Musical Contest in charge of Mrs. Balch was held June 12, which was highly appreciated by the audience. Receipts \$11.00.

**Auburn W. C. T. U.** held an open meeting in the home of our President, Mrs. Lewis, with 27 members present and 30 invited guests. After the usual work short talks were given by Charles Eckheart, Rev. Krider and Rev. Magdeny. After meeting refreshments were served to all.

**Through the W. C. T. U. of Upland** the Loyal Temperance Legion and Junior Epworth League arranged a highly successful picnic to the Soldiers' Home at Marion, June 24, 1902, in which about one hundred and thirty participated. A general invitation was given to all of the Sunday schools of the town, the object being to give all the little folks an outing. The weather was highly favorable for the occasion. The railroad officials kindly helped us by giving half fare rates and stopping at the Home crossing, both going and coming, for our accommodation. A trip long to be remembered by the little folks. Fares were paid for some who could not otherwise have gone.

**A Union** was organized at Winamac with fifteen members by Mrs. Ellen S. Potter, County President, June 26, 1902. Mrs. Florence Sowers, President; Mrs. Blanche Smith, Recording and Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Carrie Griffin, Treasurer. Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Blanche Smith; Superintendent of Temperance in Sunday Schools, Mrs. Linda Dilt; Flower Mission, Mrs. H. M. Yarnell; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Edwards; Franchise, Mrs. E. J. Clark.

**South Bend Central Union** visited the County house and distributed seventy five bouquets, and ten were given to the sick. Colfax Avenue carried seventeen to the jail and four to the sick; Chaplain Park gave thirty-four to a hospital; the East Side thirty to another hospital and the sick; the Y.'s forty to the orphans' home, making a total of 210 bouquets, each with a Scripture text, tied with white ribbon.

**Pulaski County**—The following officers were elected to fill vacancies in the county organization: Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Myrtle Higgins, Francisville; Treasurer, Mrs. Clara Wilson, Francisville. Also the following Superintendents: Evangelistic, Mrs. Cramer, Francisville; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Reese, Francisville; Medal Contests, Miss Maud Myers, Francisville; Flower Mission, Miss Mae Blue, Star City; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. S. M. Dunn, Star City; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Mary Blue, Star City; Franchise, Mrs. Jones, Star City; Temperance in Sunday Schools, Mrs. Emma Korner, Star City; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. Emma Korner, Star City; Press Work, Mrs. Ellen S. Potter, Oak; Narcotics, Mrs. Ellen S. Potter, Oaks

**Campbellsburg Union** is in a flourishing condition. Fourteen members paid dues the last quarter. We have 32 active members. We had an entertainment in April—the Milkmaids' Convention—which was very amusing. Mr. James Gipe, of Indianapolis, delivered an excellent discourse on temperance, June 27, from which the temperance people were greatly benefited and encouraged to press forward in the good work. We are preparing to hold an L. T. L. contest in the near future for the benefit of the Hadley school.

**Fairmount Union** very successfully celebrated the 4th of July at the Wesleyan camp ground with an all day meeting. The day was perfect and the place almost ideal for open air meetings. A silver medal contest of young men was held in the forenoon. The medal was awarded to Mr. Dwight Lindley, his selection being Old Soappy. James Gipe delivered the address of the afternoon. We were expecting much of Mr. Gipe and were not one whit disappointed, the address being both logical and eloquent. The State President cheered us with her presence and words of hearty encouragement. Dinner was served on the grounds, also refreshments were on sale. The receipts were good, there being several dollars for the treasury after all expenses were paid.

**W. C. T. U. at Lake Maxinkuckee**—As a result of W. C. T. U. day at the Maxinkuckee assembly, it has been decided to build a W. C. T. U. cottage, the construction of which will begin without delay. Quincy Lee Morrow, of Indianapolis, and W. E. Allan, of Flora, have the matter in charge. Quincy Lee Morrow and Oliver H. Stewart were the speakers. Much interest was manifested.

**L. T. Legions** organized this year: James-town, Boone County, Mrs. Mary Young, Secretary; Upland, Grant County, Mrs. Edella Hower, Secretary; Andrews, Huntington County, Mrs. Dr. Coffey, Secretary; Terre Haute, Vigo County, Mrs. Alice D. Smith, Secretary; Terre Haute, Vigo County, Rev. Lida Stewart (colored), Secretary; Kennard, Henry County, Mrs. Mary Creter, Secretary; South Kokomo, Howard County, Mrs. Martha Richards, Secretary; Elizabeth, Mrs. Sadie E. Hildebrand, Secretary; Auburn, DeKalb County, Mrs. Ida Wise, Secretary; Monrovia, Morgan County, Mrs. Flora Henley, Secretary; New Albany, Floyd County, Mrs. Ida M. Woolfin, Secretary; College Corner, Ohio, Union County, Miss Grace Applegate, Secretary; Lebanon, Boone County, Mrs. Jennie Perry, Secretary; Hartford City, Blackford County, Mrs. Ella Hollingshead, Secretary.

**Mrs. Alice McDaniels**, President of Vigo County, visited Prairietown, made house to house visits and secured names for a Union. Mrs. Rose Pearce desired to help, so arrangements were made for her to make an address to the people in the near future. The churches were available, but as meetings were being held in a tent by the Seventh Day Adventists, the people secured the tent for the services. Mrs. Pearce delivered a fine lecture and more names were added to the list. Later Mrs. McDaniels organized a good Union. The tent was offered to the W. C. T. U. for one night each week for temperance meetings. Mrs. Carrie Jones has this in charge. Mrs. Ada Squires, Rev. Geo. Pearce, the Mary Hadley Y.'s and others will help. Great is the opportunity for preaching the temperance gospel thus opened to our people.

**Mrs. Ada L. Squires**, of Terre Haute, writes: "We have held a number of contests within the past few months, among them six boys' contests. One, however, was of young men, Dr. Case, pastor of the First Baptist Church, winning the medal (silver). Have had one small boys' gold contest. Leonard Nattkemper won the medal and he is ready for a grand gold medal contest anywhere in the State. If you can help me in placing him in a boys' grand gold class

somewhere, let me know and I will send him on. He is sixteen years old. Emma and I held a temperance service in the M. E. Church at Brazil two Sundays ago in the afternoon. It was planned by the Sunday School Superintendent. There were 700 people in the audience and the W. C. T. U. was out in a body."

**From private letter** sent by LaPorte County President: On May 23 and 24 our National President and Miss Gordon came down to LaPorte in answer to my asking (and how many things do we miss because we have not faith enough to ask) and we had a reception Saturday evening which cheered us so much. On Sabbath day in the afternoon Miss Gordon spoke to the Sabbath schools at the Presbyterian Church, at which a good number of grown folks were present. Collection, \$3.75. In the evening of the same day Mrs. Stevens spoke to a union meeting of three churches and we had a big crowd. Collection, \$10.85, so we had enough to pay all expenses and had \$5.00 left in the county treasury. On May 22 and 23 we held our County Institute at Kingsbury. With Mrs. Rose Pearce, leader, organized a new Union with 24 members, four of them being Y's, with the promise of more to come. Two weeks after, when they held their first session, I took ten of our LaPorte members down and we had a good meeting. I will be able to report the departments they will take up in my next report. I hope the new Union will be called the Rose Pearce Union of LaPorte County. LaPorte Union held a rummage sale and took in \$30. Our special work is caring for two little girls at Hadley Home. We had a good anti-cigarette meeting and hold a flower mission day to-morrow.

**Flower Mission**—The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. E. S. Ross and observed Flower Mission day. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Murphy. Mrs. Haupt read a short article as a memorial in which special mention was made of the sad and recent death of Mrs. Crabbs. A very able paper was read by Mrs. Lilly Lines as to the mission of flowers among the inmates of jails and prisons. At the close of the program the ladies rode to Falls cemetery, where they decorated the graves of the following members: Mesdames L. W. Munson, Sophia Hazen, Dr. A. J. Smith, Mary Christman, Rebecca Small, Helen DePuy, J. K. Haas, Susan Ross, Anna Little, Elizabeth Osborne, Elizabeth Crabbs, Mr. E. S. Ross, Miss Hattie Baker, Mr. B. O. Spencer, Dr. A. J. Smith and Mr. A. M. Atkinson. Many flowers were distributed to the sick of the city by the members of the society.

**All Communications** in regard to Hadley Industrial School must be addressed to either Mrs. Mary Tarlton, 2115 College avenue, Indianapolis, or to Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, of Nora, Marion County, Indiana. Miss Lucretia Hobart, of Gallaudet, has gone to the Pacific coast for a two months stay.

**Mary Hadley**, assisted by County President, May T. Lindley, organized a promising Y, named Frances Willard, at Coloma, on the 29th day of June, with Minnie B. Moore as President; Ethel Cook, Corresponding and Recording Secretary and Orpha Morris, Treasurer.

**July 3**, Dr. W. F. Curryer, of Indianapolis, while in the prime of splendid manhood, died of apoplexy, without a moment's warning. This came as a severe shock to his family and to his friends. For years Mrs. Curryer has been an efficient officer in the Marion County W. C. T. U. and also in Meridian Union, where she is greatly loved. Much sympathy has been manifested for her by the White Ribboners at this time of great affliction. Meridian Union sent a beautiful floral offering to the funeral and many attended.

**Sunday, June 22**, was an auspicious occasion in the annals of temperance workers in South Bend. Temperance day was appropriately observed and awakened much interest. Our own Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Richmond, was with us; also Miss Eva Shontz, of Chicago. The places of meeting during the day were crowded to overflowing. Mrs. Stanley spoke at the Grace M. E. Church in the morning, and in the evening, together with Miss Shontz, conducted a mass meeting at six o'clock in the First Baptist Church under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. All of the young peoples' societies in the city were represented. At 7:30 o'clock in the same church Mrs. Stanley spoke on Sabbath Observance to one of the largest audiences that ever gathered in a South Bend church. Every available seat was occupied and standing room was at a premium. Many were turned away because they could not gain entrance. At least two hundred young men stood in the aisles. After the address of Mrs. Stanley, Miss Shontz gave a dramatic recital of the greatest story ever written for temperance reform—"At the Mercy of the State," by Bernie Babcock. Miss Shontz is not only eloquent, but logical and appealing. Mrs. Stanley spoke four times while in the city and proved herself a leader in this warfare against the saloon in defense of the home. Her audience was moved to tears, to smiles, and to applause. We will more than welcome these two consecrated workers for temperance to South Bend any time.

## IN MEMORIAM.

**RACHEL RUSSELL GALE** was born in Richland county, Ohio, October 3, 1825, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. N. P. Lewis, Angola, Ind., June 6, 1902; aged 76 years, 8 months and 3 days. Mrs. Gale was baptized into Christ in August of 1862, and lived devoted to Christ the remainder of her life. Her faith in His promises never waned. Funeral at the home of Mrs. N. P. Lewis, Elder C. S. Medbury officiating.



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Jonesboro, No. 16, F. R. D.

EUNICE P. WILSON,  
President.

**The 29th annual convention** of the National W. C. T. U. will meet in Portland, Maine, October 17 to 22, 1902.

**The 6th biennial convention** of the World's W. C. T. U. will meet in Geneva, Switzerland, June, 1903.

## LOCAL COMMITTEES FOR STATE CONVENTION AT HUNTINGTON.

General Chairman, Mrs. Lou E. Rall; entertainment, Mrs. Lou E. Rall; hotel, restaurant and boarding house rates, Mrs. Emily Newcomb; music, Mrs. Elnora Zent, Roanoke; reception to meet delegates, Mrs. Pearl Scott; decorations, Miss Pearl Rall; finance, Mrs. F. M. King; courtesies, Mrs. Salina Deighton; to receive packages, Mrs. O. N. Snider, No. 64 Aetna avenue; railroad secretary, Miss Martha Mason, Andrews, R. F. D. No. 2; lunch, Mrs. Salina Deighton; Sunday services, Mrs. Salina Deighton; press, Miss Pearl Rall; ushers and pages, Mrs. O. W. Whitelock; bureau of information, Mrs. McNaughton; check room, Mrs. C. E. Tracy; telephone and telegraph, Miss Ethlyn Bennett; postmistress, Mrs. Frank Meyers; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Alice Ivy.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Last month I sent to each Union a typewritten letter in regard to your dues, the collecting of them, etc. Two replies have come saying, "We will try and collect dues from every member whose name appears on our roll." Now, won't you all try and do the very same?

I am requested by Mrs. Frances B. Yarnall, 1011 Park Avenue, New York City, to say that the 1903 Y. Almanac is now ready for sale. Price, 25 cents per copy. I will order and bring to the State Convention one dozen, which I hope you will be ready to buy and I will not have to take them home.

Girls, you have the fourth quarterly blanks now in your possession sent to each of your Corresponding Secretaries. They must be returned to me by Sept. 15, so that I can get my State and National reports ready. Be prompt, girls. It will save me a good deal of extra work.

September 28 the Y.'s have that number of the *Union Signal* commemorating Miss Willard's birthday. Try and secure that number from a friend and take it to your Y. meeting. It will interest all.

Select your Y. delegates to the State Convention soon and let me know who they are, as I want to use them in the Y. conference work. Saturday night will be Y. night. The Diamond Medal Contest will be held then. A class of young people should interest all.

Do not forget to take all the little cares and worries to Jesus. He will help us to carry them. May this be one of the best years of the work when the reports come in. Work and pray and come to the convention in a prayerful spirit.

Be sure, Treasurers, and collect the dues from each member.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## FROM STATE PRESIDENT.

I am supposing the October MESSAGE will not reach you before the coming state convention. I will take this opportunity, then, of giving you my usual greeting and also a loving good bye as your President.

Nothing but kind words and actions have been given toward me for the two years I have tried to lead you. Only the ever present consciousness of my inability to be the leader your loyalty deserved has been unpleasant to me. I am praying the right woman may be found to lead us in our service and to greater victories in the future. I have no thought of going out of the white ribbon ranks while the saloon and I live, but the local work is appealing to me in a way that will not down. I am looking forward to our next state convention as one that will be of vital interest to every member of our great organization. I cannot remember a time when so much important business has come before a convention as must be considered at Huntington. The changing, in any considerable degree, of our constitution must always demand our most careful conclusions.

Our Hadley Industrial School must have a more systematic support if its present usefulness is maintained or its future insured. Our finances must be so arranged, if possible, to meet the demand of our ever widening field of usefulness, in a way that will not be burdensome to our work and workers.

I wish I might, in this little message, say some word that would cause you, every one, to see the great

importance of sending a full delegation from each local Union to our next state convention. Women should be chosen, if possible, that could be present at every session and remain until the close. We shall need the wisdom, the best thought of those who have met with us from year to year, but I hope also to have the enthusiasm of our bright young women, who have never had the opportunity of attending a state convention.

EUNICE P. WILSON.



MISS EDITH HILLIS.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CONVENTION CALL.

The eighth annual Convention of the Indiana State Loyal Temperance Legion will meet in Huntington, at 9 o'clock A. M., October 4. It is very much desired that every Legioner who possibly can, and especially all who have a seat in this convention, be present. Come prepared for two hours of strict attention to the business necessary to close the past year's work and to open the new year. Our time is quite limited, but we mean to put all we can into our two hours and trust that every Legioner will make an especial effort to be present.

EDITH HILLIS,  
President.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE IN REGARD TO PREMIUM LECTURES.

According to our plan of work, counties having gained three Unions may have a speaker for their county convention at the expense of the state. Counties having gained two Unions may have a speaker by paying the car fare only. Unions will not be counted unless dues are in the hands of the State Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, and the speaker must be engaged through the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand.

### SPEAKERS FOR COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

I am in receipt of many letters asking what speakers are available for county conventions in September. In reply I will say that the following workers are prepared to fill dates: Mrs. Mattie Cammack Gibson, Miss Mary Hadley, Miss Alice Palmer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins and Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton. With the approach of state convention my desk work is increasing so that it will be impossible for me to do any field work, and I regret to say that Mrs. McWhirter is not available for September.

Mrs. Viola D. Romans, of Ohio, who is to be the speaker at our state convention, is also open to dates for county conventions upon terms you can well afford to accept. Dear Sisters, when you write for a speaker, please state definitely the date of your convention. It is impossible to assure you a speaker when the instructions are: "Our convention will be held some time between the 15th and 25th."

It is gratifying to know that the counties are planning largely for the work this fall. Make your convention the most helpful and enthusiastic possible. Whether the work of the past year has come up to your expectations or not, push on for higher and better things and plan to make the work more distinctly temperance than ever before.

Mr. Wilbur Craft, Superintendent of the National Reform Bureau, said to me that the coming winter would develop some of the most important national and international temperance legislation yet attempted. I assured him that Indiana would do her part. Our own legislature will be in session before many months, and the state liquor dealers have already been in session, looking after their interests. The recent deci-

sions of the Supreme court, in regard to blanket remonstrances, has made our Indiana liquor law more effective than ever before, and the battle against the saloon is at present waging more fiercely than heretofore. Let us be found in the thickest of the fight, crowding the saloon from every possible inch of territory, and claiming the state for constitutional prohibition.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## TREASURER'S LETTER.

On account of the National Convention coming so early in October, it became necessary for Indiana to hold her State convention as early in the month as possible, so October 3 was decided upon as the opening date. According to the Constitution, the State Treasurer's books close September 25, or ten days before the opening of the convention. This makes the time a little short for the State Treasurer to get her report ready for the printer. The Mid-Year Executive took this into consideration and decided to ask, through the columns of the MESSAGE, that all Local Treasurers begin the collection of dues a few days earlier this quarter and send the report to the County Treasurer a few days earlier, that she may be able to send her report to the State Treasurer by the 20th of September. This will be a very, very great kindness to me and will be appreciated more than I can tell you. The Local Treasurers should have their reports in the hands of the County Treasurer by the 15th. Please do not keep her waiting for your report.

The Local Treasurer is very anxious to collect the dues from every member and as many new ones as possible. It would be a very great pleasure and assist her very much if you could place your dollar in an envelope and send it or take it to her before the 15th. Do not let your membership dues, by not being paid on time, cause a tardy report to the County Treasurer. The County Treasurer is anxious to hear from every Union in the county before she makes her report to the State, and the State Treasurer is very, very anxious to hear from every county in the State and also every local Union through the County Treasurers in the State before the books are closed for the year.

Dear Sisters, it requires promptness all along the line to insure success. Received a letter just now from our next Convention hostess asking in regard to the fifty cents Convention fund for the use of the Local Committee. I hope this year every Union will respond promptly. Send it to your County Treasurer when you send her your dues, then she will forward it to the State Treasurer. When counties are unorganized, send direct to the State Treasurer. Do not wait until the State Convention to pay it. The ladies who will so kindly entertain us need the money early. Fifty cents is a small sum for a Local Union to pay, but it will mean much to the Local Committee, if every Union responds.

Blanks have been mailed to you. Card me if not received by the first of September, and others will be sent.

With many desires for an increased membership in every Union and believing that every one will do all in her power to make it possible for the reports to reach the State Treasurer by the 20th of September, I am, most hopefully and loyally yours,

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Treasurer.

### THE FREE WILL OFFERING SUPPLIES

Have been sent out to one of the local officers of every Union in the State. Enough have been sent to supply every member with one or more. We presume most of you have planned and held your meetings with very great success. It is an excellent financial plan for the Local as well as the State Treasury. If worked energetically, as our own W. C. T. U. women can work it, we are assured of a bountiful harvest. If for any reason it was impossible for you to hold your meeting in August, can you not plan for one to be held some time before the 15th, thus enabling you to get it before your books close for the year? If a church cannot be secured at all, then hold your meeting in some one's parlor. To succeed, "we must first plan the work, then work the plan." This we believe you will do as unto the Lord, and the home coming at Huntington will be one of rejoicing and thanksgiving that we have done what we could.

## NOTICE.

In answer to a question just received, will say that half of everything collected, either by envelopes, private collections or collections at the church, plus 25 cents for printing, goes to the State Treasury. The remainder is to be placed in the local Treasury for local work. This is a fine plan for local work, as well as State, and we are glad the Unions are working the plan so enthusiastically. With a little effort by every member, many dollars can be placed in both State and Local Treasury. Success to you all.

A. T. W.



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### LOCAL PRESIDENTS AND TREASURERS.

The September or fourth quarter of the year is fast approaching, and I take this opportunity to have a little chat with you. By our State plans you know every paid member of every Union in Indiana should receive the MESSAGE. The plan is this: Quarterly, at the time the Treasurer sends the membership dues, she sends to the business manager of the MESSAGE a list of members who have paid dues and 25 cents for each one to pay for the MESSAGE. Dear sisters, when these lists of names come in, sometimes they have several names on the list as renewals whose first names are given; in previous years these same persons' names have been sent in their husbands' names. Not knowing them personally, I do not know then whether Mrs. Mary Alice Brown is the same as Mrs. James H. Brown or not. If you can send them as previously, it will be a great favor. Please do send all of the names to me as early in September as possible.

I shall consider it a personal favor if the Presidents will kindly assist the Treasurers in getting for me the names and correct addresses of the paid members. When a name is sent thus: Mrs. Rainsford, Marysville, I am very doubtful as to her ever getting her paper. Please send the full name or husband's initials to insure speedy delivery.

Hoping to meet you every one at Huntington, I am, very cordially,  
LUELLA F. McWHIRTER,  
Editor and Business Manager.

### COUNTY CONVENTIONS.

In every county, State or national, speakers should be used. These people bring new ideas, give helpful suggestions. If they can remain two days or longer, usually it is very much better for the local work and workers. In every convention it is well to use as many new people on the program as possible. Be sure and use many boys and girls in songs or in a chorus. We must seek to interest the youth.

Arrangements have been made to send "the general officers, the editor of the MESSAGE and our Mrs. Baleh, as a token of our love," to the hotel for dinner during the convention. This means great generosity and business planning on the part of our dear hostesses. To have the noon hour thus for consultation and quiet will mean much to each of those women, especially the general officers, who seldom spend as much as ten minutes a day together during the convention. It will help to expedite the work, in as much as it will give a definite, uninterrupted hour for conference. Such kindness and consideration will be very greatly appreciated by the individuals thus favored and by all delegates and members of the convention who consider the advantage this will be to the entire convention.

The rates to the National Convention at Portland have not been announced. We expect them to be about one fare for the round trip or less than \$30.00 from Indiana points.

### THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held at Portland, Maine, in October. Our Indiana delegates and friends will go in a party. The fare for the round trip we expect to be about one-half the regular fare.

Every friend of the W. C. T. U. and legal prohibition is invited to join our party. We will go to the home of that grand Prohibition leader, Gen. Neal

Dow, who was able to accomplish so much for the Prohibition cause when he "sowed the State knee-deep with literature." The Prohibition sheriff, Pearson, has been called to his eternal home, but the deputies are still prohibiting all liquor selling in the great city of Portland.

Men may come and men may go, but the cause of God will move on forever. Invite your friends to join you and go with us to Portland. The aftermath of the convention will be held at Boston, where stop-overs will be allowed on all of our tickets.



MISS DAISY STEADINGTON.  
Elocutionist and Y. Worker.

This young lady is an elocutionist of rare ability and is using her talent in the interest of temperance. She holds a grand gold medal, is an enthusiastic Y. worker and has successfully conducted several contests, giving the young people instruction on their selections. Miss Steadington gives an up-to-date elocutionary recital, and has a plan by which she can remain at a point, where she has given a recital, and conduct an oratorical contest, giving the contestants private lessons on their selections. She will also organize Y.'s and prove a valuable helper along other lines of temperance work. Those wishing to know of her plan of work can address her at 620 Cherry street, Terre Haute.

### LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL TREASURER.

When this letter reaches you it will be less than six weeks to the closing of the books of the National Treasurer. Undoubtedly you, too, have considered this brief time and realize how much of thought and work must be crowded into this limited space in order that your State may be creditably reported at the convention, that every White Ribboner may be counted, that every obligation may be met and that we may be ready to begin the arduous work of the new year with clean accounts and a fair balance.

We are expecting that many States will be in Benefit Night, but in order that such may be the result, every local Treasurer must do her duty in collecting and forwarding dues. Every county and district Treasurer must be prompt and faithful and each State Treasurer must see that all dues are in the hands of the National Treasurer by October 1. The early date of the convention necessitates prompt and energetic action. Some of the pledges made at Fort Worth for Manila missionary work are still unpaid. Let us see that everything is brought up in a business-like manner. We believe that great advance has been made during this year of hard work, but in order to show that we have advanced, we must collect and report all dues, donations and gifts. Many Unions have failed to send the two dollars for the Willard Memorial Fund, but it is not yet too late. Let us make such thorough preparation that our convention in Portland will show the best record ever made in any one year.

HELEN M. BARKER.

### INTER-STATE W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE.

One of the attractive features of the great Summer Assembly at Bay View, Michigan, is the W. C. T. U. Institute, conducted by the energetic and sweet spirited President of Texas, Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard.

Bay View is but one mile from Petoskey, and covers three hundred and sixty acres of land, which rises from the bay in natural terraces, covered with primeval forest. Among the trees nestle five or six hundred summer cottages and the Assembly buildings. The bay, with its ever changing hues and refreshing breezes, is surrounded by summer resorts to which thousands of people come every year. From all these points Bay View is easily reached by steamer or dummy cars, and so the Assembly furnishes instruction and entertainment to a great multitude.

Evelyn Hall is the most attractive Assembly building on the grounds. It has recently been repainted, and a consecrated White Ribbon sister has added much to the beauty of the interior by carpeting the Reception Hall and Assembly room. Here the Institute was held, and each morning our hearts were gladdened by the profusion of floral and fern decorations kept fresh by the local committee. Miss Marie Brehm was made chorister and Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand pianist.

The Institute was in session for ten days from 9 to 11 each morning. The program was practical throughout, and exhibited that great variety of talent which the W. C. T. U. has developed. First each morning came the Bible Hour in charge of Rev. Frances E. Townsley, of Vassar, Mich., and a few who have heard Miss Townsley once will miss an opportunity to hear her again. She was an uplifting influence to us all. Dr. Mary Wood-Allen gave two lectures on Purity and Child Culture. In her refined, delicate way she unfolded some of the mysteries of life and development, and exalted the sacredness and privileges of parenthood. She is a woman with a mission, the friend and helper of mother and child.

Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, National Superintendent of parliamentary law, is one of the leading parliamentarians of the United States. In her inimitable way she drilled us and made difficult points seem so easy and plain that we wondered at our own stupidity.

Two of the strongest suffrage and temperance speeches were made by Miss Marie Brehm, who is recognized as one of our most forceful and talented speakers. A symposium on the liquor traffic, by five ministers, was very enjoyable and brought out an animated discussion from the floor. Various phases of the liquor problem were ably presented by Mrs. M. A. B. Smith, of Wis., Mrs. Julia Stannard, of Mich., Miss Margaret Angus, of Texas, Mrs. Calkins and Barnes, of Mich. Mrs. M. A. B. Smith refreshed us with physical culture drills, and each day's session closed with a lesson from the Loyal Temperance Legion Manuals by Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand. The Assembly W. C. T. U. membership was larger than in any previous year of which we have record, and included representatives from ten states.

The auditorium speech was made by Wilbur F. Crafts, who was greeted with an audience of about three thousand. His subject was "Living and Dying Nations." Most vividly did he portray the rise and fall of Egypt, Rome and Athens, and said that few nations had been able to stand the test of civilization. He pointed to China, Turkey, France and Spain as the dying nations of to-day, and to England, the United States, Russia and Germany as the living nations; but with a mighty marshalling of facts proved that intemperance, impurity and Sabbath breaking will surely destroy any nation. MRS. HATTIE BRAND.

### OPPORTUNITY TO SECURE A NATIONAL WORKER.

As the National convention is to be held in Portland, Maine, October 17 to 22, many western workers will be going east and will pass through Indiana. I am already in receipt of a number of letters from national and state workers saying that they will fill dates, on their way through, for five dollars per lecture and entertainment. Under other circumstances they could not come to us on such liberal terms, and I sincerely hope that many Unions will take advantage of this opportunity. Dates must be made between October 1st and 15th.

### L. T. L.

Secretaries, please fill out your blanks as soon after the 15th of September as possible, send one copy to me, the other to County Secretary; do not send a general statement, but give definite answers to all questions. Name special methods or new plans that have proved successful in raising money or in advancing the interest of the Legion along any line; tell how many, if any, of your Legioners have joined the Y. or W. C. T. U. during the past year, as well as the number of Juniors that have won examination seal certificates. Have you a class in the W's studying for diplomas? Let us all make an effort to be on the honor roll by paying dues for all our pledged members. Send all ten cent dues to W. C. T. U. State Treasurer and all graduates dues to L. T. L. State Treasurer. I want to meet all our county and local L. T. L. Secretaries at the state convention, as I believe we can make our conference very instructive as well as entertaining.

IDA M. MIX,  
State L. T. L. Secretary.

### QUINCY BALDWIN LEAVES MONEY FOR FALLEN WOMEN.

The will of Quincy Baldwin has been filed for probate. William Baldwin was appointed executor by the instrument and letters of administration were issued to him. Bond in the sum of \$200 was filed. The will bequeaths all his real and personal property to his widow, Amanda Baldwin, during the term of her life. At her death the property is to be divided into four equal parts. One part is to go to the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union for the benefit of fallen women and girls. The remainder is to be divided among Almada Trueblood, Dr. Rhoda Johnson and William H. Baldwin.—*Marion News-Tribune.*



**NON-ALCOHOLIC.**

A letter just received from the National Superintendent of Non-alcoholic Medication says: "Please instruct your county superintendents to send you the report in full of the local Union in their county doing best work this year. You will decide which local Union and which county in the state has done the best work, and kindly send to me their report in full, together with your summary of the rest of your state work. Tell Superintendents to prepare reports carefully, as there is a \$5 00 prize for the best county report and a \$3 00 prize for best local. Of course you know there is a \$10 00 prize for the best state report. These prizes all to be paid in Department literature."

She also says: "Please tell your Unions through the state paper, and at your convention, of the great growth of Marietta Union, Ohio, through Non-Alcoholic Medication meetings."

The blanks have already been sent out by our State Secretary and are doubtless in your hands ere this.

Dear Local Secretary or President, if it has been impossible for your Union to secure a Superintendent for this department will you please fill out the blank yourself and send it to me? I am sure there are very few Unions in the state that have not done something in this line. Tell me what you have done? a little from every Union will make a very fine state report. If that little is withheld by you it may be the means of Indiana losing one or more of the National prizes. The best state report wins a \$10 00 prize. If every Union will report what it has done, I believe Indiana can win it. No state needs this prize more than ours. A little study, a few minutes work and a two cent stamp from you and we stand a good chance. If you have no Superintendent yet appoint one now and send name and address when you send report. If no County Superintendent has been appointed, please appoint one at your fall convention. Our National Superintendent says the prize will be given to the state making the best report, including largest number of County Superintendents gained according to number of counties in the state.

Please send report to me by the 15th if possible. Thanking you in advance I am, yours for a grand sum total Non-Alcoholic Medication work in our state.

Name of Local Union.....  
County.....  
Name of Local Superintendent.....  
Postoffice address.....

1. How many pages of literature distributed.....  
What leaflet has been most helpful.....
  2. How many meetings of Union devoted to study of this department.....
  3. How many original papers have been read before the Union on this subject.....
  4. What pamphlets or leaflets have been loaned or given to physicians or medical students.....  
How many.....
  5. Have you been careful to ask their opinion of this literature after they have read it.....
  6. Was this department presented at your County Convention and Institute.....How.....
  7. What has been done to interest those outside of the W. C. T. U. circles in favor of non-alcoholic medication.....
  8. What have you done to interest teachers, ministers and editors in this subject.....  
How many parlor meetings held.....
  9. How many articles in press upon this subject.....
  10. Have you any non-alcoholic medical works in your W. C. T. U. library.....
  11. Have any of the recommended Sunday school books been placed in the S. S. library.....  
If so, what.....
  12. Have you held a 20th Century Reception for physicians.....
  13. How many Non-Alcoholic Medication Contests held.....How many debates.....
  14. How much money raised for Department literature.....How raised.....
- Return to Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State Superintendent, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

**MERCY.**

Reports have not come in in the first three quarters as I had hoped they would, but will not all Local and County Superintendents do their best in this last quarter, before our State Convention? Our National Superintendent offers the following prizes: \$5 00 for the best State report; \$5 00 for the best County report; \$5 00 for the best Local report. Reports must be on blanks (prepared by her); must be on time, and numerical answers given to questions requiring them.

Now, dear sisters, if you will drop me a postal, saying you wish a blank to report on, I will send it at once. Try and see if you cannot win a prize.

I offer \$1 00 worth of literature to the Superintendent who has the most sermons preached on the subject of Kindness to the Lower Animals, and fifty cents worth of literature to the one who secures three hundred signers to the bird pledge, and if any woman has a reasonably large number, even though none reach the limit of three hundred, I shall see she gets a premium.

It is not too late to work yet, but report blanks will soon be out and I want prompt returns. I hope every Superintendent will at least make my heart glad by responding with an answer, whether it is much work or little. Let everyone consider the added burdens that rest on my shoulders this year from

superintending the entertainment of our beloved Convention, and do the little she can to lighten it, and nothing will do that so effectually as to have good, prompt reports coming in. No work can be more noble and Christ like than teaching the principles of kindness to all creatures.

"So many Gods, so many creeds,  
So many paths that wind and wind,  
When just the art of being kind  
Is all the sad world needs."

LOU E. RALL.

**REVISED CONSTITUTION.**

In the August number of the MESSAGE Mrs. Balch calls attention to Article IV, Section 1 of the proposed constitution for the state and thinks it out of harmony with Article III, Section 1 of the local constitution, which virtually makes a woman's test of loyalty to the state depend upon her taking the state paper.

Mrs. Balch overlooks the fact that the state constitution must first be fixed and the local will then be made to harmonize with that. The members of the committee have frequently had attention called to the deficit that is constantly occurring in the state treasury, which must either be provided for or the appropriations lessened. It is neither business-like nor honorable to contract debts without the ability to pay them. The additional five cents per member in the state treasury, means one hundred dollars for ever two thousand members, while left to the local Unions it could amount to but very little for each. Some of our best County Presidents agree that it is easier raising extra funds for local work than for state work, and speak favorably of raising the auxiliary dues to fifty cents.

The remaining fifty, after the state paper has been paid for, is to be divided between local and county work, as the women of the organized counties shall decide. While on this topic of the paper I will add that I believe the plan of sending seventy-five cents at once of each woman's dues to the state treasurer and leaving her to settle financial matters with the editor and publisher, would simplify matters.

Hoping this explanation is clear, and reminding the members of our local Unions that it is a question for them to decide, I am,  
ALICE RUTH PALMER,  
Chairman of Committee on Revision of Constitution.  
Franklin, Indiana.

**NOTICE.**

The Free Will Offering supplies have been mailed to every Union President in the state when the name and address was known; when not known, they were sent to one of the other officers of the Union. No doubt changes have been made and our directory is not complete. Where this is the case, will the person to whom the supplies have been sent kindly give them to the proper person at once and oblige? If supplies have not been received by any one, please notify me at once and others will be sent immediately.

This is one of the many times it seemed necessary for the state officers to have a complete directory of the Unions. Many changes will, no doubt, be made in county and local Unions at the close of this year. Will you please remember to send us notice of the change at once?

Sincerely yours for victory all along the line.  
AMANDA T. WHITSON, State Treasurer, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis Ind.

**MAXINKUCKEE LAKE ASSEMBLY.**

This being my first visit, I was unprepared for the grandeur of the lake and the pleasant surroundings. White Ribboners receive a hearty welcome there. W. C. T. U. day, July 10, was a grand success; the crowd was the largest they had had so far this year. After the W. C. T. U. conference, was held the election of officers for the Assembly Union:

President, Mrs. Quincy Lee Morrow; Vice-President, Mrs. Shedd; Second Vice-President, Miss Stacy; Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Collane; Secretary, Mrs. R. P. Voorhees.

One hundred and twenty-five dollars were raised last year for the building of a W. C. T. U. cottage; seventy-five dollars were pledged July 10 this year. It was decided to collect the money and build the cottage before the opening of the season next year. No special excursion was given; the cheap rates were given for the entire season—\$2 00 for the round trip. This being their third annual assembly, everything is new and very interesting.

Miss \_\_\_\_\_, of Terre Haute, received the grand gold medal, and Miss \_\_\_\_\_ the musical silver medal. Quincy Lee Morrow's address at night was a grand effort, receiving much applause. The singing of Jesse Van Kemp was a musical treat, the pure boyish face corresponding with the clear, ringing tones and gospel truths of his song. At the close of the day many regrets were given that they had not come prepared to stay longer at the beautiful lake and enjoy the many treats in store for its visitors. We trust White Ribboners of Indianapolis and elsewhere will take advantage of the invitation next season.

The lot and twenty-five dollars were donated by the Assembly. Mr. Collane also donated twenty-five dollars and has offered to take responsibility of the building and help the White Ribboners push it through to completion. The gold medal contest and the musical silver medal contest occurred at 1:30 in the afternoon. There was a large, appreciative audience, and we were made very proud of our classes.

**RAILROAD RATES TO STATE CONVENTION.**

A rate of one and one-third fare will be granted on the certificate plan to all those who desire to attend the Annual Convention of the W. C. T. U. to be held at Huntington, October 3 to 7. When buying your ticket for Huntington, ask for a certificate. Every Union is entitled to send the President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members.

Great preparations are being made by the Huntington County White Ribboners for the entertainment of the State Convention. Be sure and send the list of your delegates to Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee. Send the names early, so that on the very last days before the Convention Mrs. Rall and her committee may be through their work of assigning plans of entertainment and have some time to rest before the convention begins.

**STATE CONVENTION NOTES.**

The committee on decoration for the State Convention will be very glad to have local and county Unions and department superintendents send or take their banners for use during the convention. Please bear this in mind and send (express prepaid) or take them to the chairman of the committee, Miss Pearl Rall, Huntington.

Be sure and take your White Ribbon Hymnal with you to Huntington. Take your daughter or son with you. The Committee on Hotel and Boarding House Rates will be able to secure board for all visitors at reduced rates. A convention gives a great opportunity for a boy or girl to learn many things. Be sure and take yours if possible.

The Executive Committee will meet at one o'clock P. M., October 2, in the convention church (M. E. Church), corner of Market and Guilford streets.

**SENIOR LEGIONERS.**

Every graduate of the Loyal Temperance Legion is hereby urged to send their dues of twenty-five cents immediately. It will save many dollars in postage if you who read this will kindly mention it to the graduates whom you know. Postage stamps will be received for dues from those who desire to send for one or two members only. Please send your dues if you are a graduate of the Loyal Temperance Legion. You will thus enable us to help on our work in the State. We need you. Will you help us? I shall anxiously wait to receive your dues and those of the other members. Any amount sent as a donation will be thankfully received. Waiting for the dues of many Legioners. Send to my address below.

Your comrade,  
FELIX M. McWHIRTER.

Greencastle, Ind.

**PRIZES**

For the best filled Institute Report Blank. Awarded to County President, Mrs. Alice D. McDaniel, Terre Haute, Ind., a beautiful life size portrait of Miss Willard. Vigo counties Report Blank was filled without a single omission in answering fully and definitely the questions asked by the Superintendent. The penmanship, which was neat, was in ink. This report of Vigo County indicates that a splendid Institute was held in that county at Terre Haute on March 24 and 25, but our committee was advised that the success of the session could have no bearing on the awarding of the prize and your committee has acted accordingly. Roll of Honor for 1902, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, Ind., and Mrs. Emma Hedges, New Castle, Ind. Why cannot all County Presidents completely fill the Institute Report Blank is the query of your committee?

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
ALICE LAMB.

**WHITE RIBBONERS AND PROHIBITIONISTS.**

From now until the time of our State Convention, October 3, I shall give my time and effort to Indiana and not return to Louisville until that event has passed. I offer my services for organizing, evening lectures, visiting Unions and attending county conventions on very moderate terms. Address me at Rome City until further notice. I am soliciting for our Industrial School, in District No. 2, Elkhart, LaGrange, Steuben, Kosciusko, Noble, DeKalb, Allen, Wabash, Huntington, Wells, Adams, Jay, Blackford, Whitley and Grant counties. Soliciting for the school does not hinder me in doing the other work. It rather makes it possible as to terms. I hope to make my last days in Indiana count for our cause.

MARY E. BALCH.

**FACTS AND FIGURES—SEARCHLIGHT SERIES.**

Statistics are often dry reading; nevertheless, it is intensely profitable that temperance people should be posted upon positive facts relating to the enormity of that traffic which they protest against. Figures will not lie, and are not apt to be distorted to suit anybody's opinion, since all such tabulated statements are somewhere accessible to everybody.

100,000 drunkards die annually, while in 1898 there were 8,000 murders and 7,000 suicides directly traceable to the liquor traffic.

The amount spent for drink in this country last year was about \$1,225,850,000. This sum in one-



dollar bills placed together end to end would girdle the world fifty-eight times, making a belt of solid money about twenty feet wide around the entire earth. It would form a strip six bills wide from the earth to the moon; or would make a solid carpet of bills larger than the State of Connecticut.

### FIELD NOTES.

**Illinois reports** over a thousand gain in membership over this time last year and a month more to work in.

**Mrs. Hattie W. Brand**, State Corresponding Secretary, has just returned from Bay View, Mich., and is enthusiastically at work, spending much time at her desk.

**The State Superintendents** are very anxious to get full reports of the work done in all departments. Local Presidents should encourage all the Superintendents to make reports in figures. All the State Superintendents are required to make their reports to the National Superintendents in figures.

**In all parts** of the State medal contests are being held. The agitation is thus being kept up in a very practical manner. Now is the time for all Unions to make arrangements for their delegates to attend the State Convention at Huntington.

**Every County** Convention should, so far as possible secure either a State or National speaker.

**Consider** no Union's work a success that does not include some work among the boys and girls.

**Be sure** and elect delegates to the State Convention at Huntington. If possible, arrange to pay their expenses.

**Mrs. Hattie Steckel**, of Mulberry, spent some time with Mrs. Balch at Island Park and greatly enjoyed the privilege.

**Mulberry Union** mourns the death of Mrs. Jennie Brinkhuff. She will be greatly missed; was so loved by everybody that knew her and was a strong, steadfast white ribboner.

**Mrs. Anna Kilmer**, the former President of Miami County, has been made President of the W. C. T. U. at her new home in Benton Harbor, Mich., and also President of Berrien county. She is doing much active temperance work and is greatly appreciated by Unions in her county.

**In the death** of Mrs. Emma Joice, of Terre Haute, a noble, kind husband has a broken home circle and mourns the loss of a loving wife. The Terre Haute Union has lost an indefatigable President and the White Ribboners have lost a valiant, earnest, faithful and loyal comrade. The funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 17, in Trinity M. E. Church, Terre Haute, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., in charge of Rev. George D. Pearce. Many floral offerings and large bows of white ribbon adorned the casket.

**Indianapolis Mapleton Union** was entertained last Friday afternoon in the home of Rev. Charles Jessup and was one of Mapleton Union's best and most enthusiastic Mothers' Meetings. The subject presented and discussed was "Children and Alcohol," "What to Use in the Place of Alcohol and Opium," and "Is the Common Belief in Alcohol as a Medicine a Hindrance to the Temperance Cause." Mrs. Will King, Mrs. Dr. Magel and Mrs. Charles Newlin read excellent papers which will appear in full in the *Phalanx*. The discussions that followed added great interest to the occasion, nearly every one there taking part and feeling that the meeting was theirs. If anyone thinks for a moment that this is an uninteresting subject for a Mothers' Meeting, let them try it and conversion will be the result. Our hostess, Rev. Hannah Jessup, is an ideal hostess in every respect; nothing was left undone to make everyone enjoy the occasion. New members were added to our already increasing membership. Many free will offering envelopes were accepted, to be returned later laden with a thank offering and prayer. During the social hour that followed cream and cake were served. Everyone seemed delighted with the meeting and went home feeling that if alcohol could be banished entirely from the medicine chest, that one of the greatest victories for temperance would be scored. If you have not already done so try a Non-Alcoholic Medication Mothers' Meeting some time before the 15th of September and report success to your State Superintendent by that date. If held in the evening invite your husbands and brothers. You will be delighted with results.

**Mrs. Farqher** writes regarding Pine Lake Assembly W. C. T. U. Day. On July 10, I received a postal card from Miss Alice Palmer, saying she could not be with us on the 31st, also that she had not made a program for that day. Also one from Mrs. Katie Wert Holler that she could not be with us and the same news from Mrs. Tompkins. As Second Vice-President I was in for something which I knew very little about. Mrs. Esther Vail was gone, which left no one to consult with that knew anything about last year's work. I asked God to help me and to put it in the hearts of those I would call upon to respond and the prayer was answered; all helped gladly and things ran along easier. Our Local Union rented a cottage and trimmed the front porch with a nice white banner with the cabalistic W. C. T. U. Rest printed on it; also a white ribbon bow above the door, and this was headquarters for a week. The above is the program that was carried out to the letter on the 31st,

and all went home feeling tired but well repaid, for all that. Members were present from all three Unions of the county. Some leaflets were scattered, and we hope some seed was dropped that will bear fruit in the future. The following new officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Van Patten, Michigan City, President; Mrs. Reagan, Englewood, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Sisson, Chicago, Ill., Treasurer. We all rejoice that so good a beginning has been made and hope it will be better in the future.

**LaPorte Union** broke camp August 2, at the Pine Lake Assembly grounds, where they had rented a cottage for a week. The cottage was in a very pleasant location, with the letters "W. C. T. U." above the entrance, and with the cheerful occupants it gave, as some expressed it, tone to the whole Chautauqua. Mesdames Baumgardner, Talmage and Zell were the regular entertainers for the week, while others came and went. July 31 was temperance day. All present had the opportunity of listening to an excellent address by Mrs. Van Patten, of Michigan City, and also by Mrs. Cammack Gibson, who gave her lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants," in an eminent manner. The following officers for the Assembly Union were elected: President, Mrs. Van Patten, Michigan City; First Vice-President, Mrs. Baumgardner; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Dr. Wardner, LaPorte; Secretary, Mrs. Regan; Treasurer, Mrs. Sisson, Chicago. Aug. 16 the local gave a supper, which put a neat little sum into their treasury. Dear sisters, let us all, as officers and superintendents, get our reports ready, so as to present them in full at our annual meeting in September. I am sure if this is done we will feel that this has been a prosperous year in W. C. T. U. work.

**The October issue** of the MESSAGE will reach you on October 1. Be sure and read the Huntington convention items.

**Every person** attending the Huntington convention should secure a certificate when buying a regular one fare ticket for Huntington. When signed at the convention this certificate will entitle the holder to buy a return ticket home from Huntington for one-third the regular fare. Ask the ticket agent to have these certificates on hand.

**Mrs. Sadie H. Eves** has moved from North Vernon to Richmond, but her love for and interest in North Vernon Union has not decreased. She has sent a gift of \$3 for the State debt fund, to be credited to North Vernon Union.

**In Wells County** every W. C. T. U. has an L. T. L.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley**, of Richmond, attended the Steuben County temperance rally and held two services in Auburn. She also attended the Fayette and Franklin County pioneer reunions. Everywhere the people are enthusiastic over Mrs. Stanley's work.

**Mrs. Mary E. Balch** visited the Winchester Union four days—August 16 to 20. She lectured Sunday evening to a large audience, held one parlor meeting and solicited for the Hadley Home. We took our free will offering at this time and sent the State \$3. For ourselves we have all been inspired to better work for the future. We feel that the public has a clearer understanding of our work. One new member.

**Saturday evening, July 28**, the Morristown Union held its second gold medal contest. The program throughout was good. A choir of young people under the leadership of Miss Nona Wagner, rendered some splendid prohibition songs. We were also aided by the following with solos: Miss Stapie Brannan, Miss Ruth McKnight and Miss Alcestes Charles, the latter wearing one of our gold medals, which she won at one of our musical contests. Our class was composed of one young gentleman and six young ladies. Miss Sarah Brant won the medal on the recitation of "American Bluebeard." Many think it was our best contest in every point. The judges were Rev. J. T. Skull, Mr. Aaron Wagoner and Mrs. Alice Conger. The proceeds netted \$9.15. Am glad to now be able to aid in a small way Hadley Home, which we hold very dear and near to our hearts. Another contest soon.

**Fredericksburg Willard Union** held a temperance meeting June 12. County President, Mrs. Mary N. Overman, was present and delivered an excellent address on the work of the W. C. T. U., and Miss Pearl Menough, of Salem, read an interesting paper on the subject "Is Woman Handicapped?" At the opening exercises Rev. Crawford, the M. E. Church minister, gave a short talk, which was very encouraging to the women of the W. C. T. U. Bro. Crawford is an ardent supporter of the temperance cause. At the close two members were added to our Y. branch.

**On June 22**, at the close of the Sunday School temperance lesson, the Willard Union and Y. of Fredericksburg observed Flower Mission Day. The Y's gave a very interesting entertainment, after which the President, Mrs. Nannie Seig, explained the origin and work of the Flower Mission. A beautiful item, "Tell Him Now," was read by Miss Fleda Royse, and very beautiful and appropriate recitations were given by Misses Gertrude Mitton, Florence Morgan and Nellie Seig, interspersed with beautiful songs. An explanation of why we strew flowers along the pathway of the living was given by Mrs. Florence Gresham, after which bouquets of flowers with scripture texts were distributed among the sick. Appropriate gifts were presented to Freddie Boston, a little shut-in boy in our community.

**Mrs. Viola D. Romans**, a State officer of the Ohio W. C. T. U., will be in attendance upon our State Convention at Huntington. Mrs. Romans is an eloquent speaker. We will gladly welcome her.

**Mrs. S. M. Stahl** is greatly loved by her comrades, who have sought to show their appreciation by making her a life member of the State W. C. T. U., the particulars of which we hope to give you in the next issue of the MESSAGE.

**Burlington W. C. T. U.** held a Mothers' Meeting in connection with the regular meeting, Friday, August 9. The program consisted of Bible readings, songs, recitations and select readings. Each sister gave two invitations. There were thirty-one present and all expressed themselves as well pleased. One sister gave us her name and dues, so making our number ten. After the program, all were invited to the dining room of our beloved President, where the sisters served cake and cream. Our Union meets on the second Friday in each month.

**A fine L. T. L.** was organized by Mrs. Lou Rall at Warren, July 25. About twenty-five children enlisted in the ranks. This is the fourth in Huntington county, each Union maintaining a flourishing Legion. Huntington has a live Legion. Mrs. O. L. Day, its present President, and the membership, planned a unique social in the way of a dolls' millinery store, where not only the latest creations in Parisian hats were to be purchased, but lemonade, ice cream, fruit and flowers, also. Eight dollars was thus added to the Legion's treasury. Needless it is to say the little lady has an earnest White Ribboner for a mother.

**Hadley Union**, of Grant County, arranged a temperance meeting in a church standing just over the line in Madison county, in which Mrs. Cammack-Gibson was the speaker. She gave her famous lecture, "Five Boys in Knee Pants." The lecture is composed from her own observations and experience. There were many hindrances to the meeting in the way of wheat threshing, the Fairmount fair and other things, yet she was greeted with a full house and rapt attention was given by young and old alike from beginning to end of her long lecture, and many said, I wish she had talked longer. She must come again, and arrangements were made for another meeting soon, for they are hungry for gospel temperance teaching.

**South Bend Unions** held a series of Purity Meetings from August 23 to 26, under the leadership of Mrs. R. W. McMahan, State Superintendent of the Purity Department. A mass meeting was held, Sunday afternoon, August 24, for women only. An effort was made to interest all working girls of the city in these meetings.

**Mrs. A. B. Leck** writes: Well, we prevented the applicant from getting a license to sell liquor at Illinois and Fifteenth streets, and the work our members did was so much appreciated that the residents of that immediate neighborhood made up a purse of \$36.00 and sent it to us for temperance work, with compliments and high appreciation of the Indianapolis Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U.

**Miss Ina Burton**, South Bend, President of the Willard Memorial Y. W. C. T. U., was the victim of a cleverly planned surprise, perpetrated at her home, 118 South Emrick street, July 30. About fifty members of the Union and a few intimate friends of Miss Burton participated in the event. The affair was in the nature of a farewell party. Miss Burton will take a two years' course at the Baptist Missionary Training School, Chicago. She will enter upon her duties on September 10 and will probably engage in missionary work after the completion of her studies. The evening was spent in a diversity of social pleasures, including music, phonograph selections and refreshments. A feature of the evening was the presentation of a beautiful chain to Miss Burton as a token of the high esteem in which she is held. The presentation was made by Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, County President of the W. C. T. U. Miss Burton was filled with emotion, so she was unable to respond but briefly.

**At Kokomo** the first annual Fourth of July picnic of the W. C. T. U. was held at the city park and was a very successful, as well as pleasurable affair. Misses Ellis, Kopler, Fox and Metcalf and Mr. Shockley, of Phlox, were the participants, and their oratorical efforts are pronounced by competent judges to have been among the best speeches heard at W. C. T. U. events in this locality. Mrs. Amy Rindge and Misses Nellie Kern and Rebecca Trueblood, who acted as judges, awarded the honors of the contest to Roscoe Shockney. Rev. Myers presented the successful contestant with a gold medal, which was of the value of \$5. The singing by the South Kokomo Loyal Temperance Legion was splendid and inspiring for the occasion. The table cloths were spread and the evening meal of sumptuous description greatly enjoyed.—*Exchange*.

**Colfax Avenue Union**, of South Bend, held their annual picnic at Springbrook Park, August 13. In the afternoon they held a meeting in the pavilion, a good program being prepared consisting of songs, readings and a parliamentary drill, by our County President. This Union is under the leadership of Mrs. Orner, and is doing much good work.

### IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. RETTINGTON**—Death visited LaPorte Union in July, taking away one of its loved ones, Mrs. Rettington. She was of a quiet, sweet disposition, loved by all who knew her.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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MISS MARY HADLEY,  
Indiana's Vice-President.

## THE BENEFIT OF W. C. T. U. INSTITUTE.

- DEDICATED TO MISS MARY HADLEY.  
Tune—Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus.
- (1) Praise God, the gracious Author  
Of every perfect gift;  
Thro' the dark clouds of midnight  
There now appears a rift;  
North and South and East and West,  
And lands across the waters,  
Unite in plans wrought one by one  
Of Indiana's daughters.
  - (2) You who are weak take courage  
And prove this noble plan  
To educate the masses  
And uplift fallen man;  
Let youth and age together  
The Institute attend,  
And thus gain strength and knowledge  
And blessings without end
  - (3) Let counties form a phalanx,  
With "John Barleycorn" to cope.  
In strong debate, song and pray'r  
He leads a "forlorn hope."  
Let State by State, the nation o'er,  
Strike down the demon Rum,  
Then thro' this grand Institute  
Shout loud the "Harvest Home."
  - (4) Behold God's people coming  
'Gainst Rum a war to wage;  
Trust ye God of battles,  
Nor quail at Satan's rage,  
For "One shall chase a thousand,"  
The Holy Writ declares;  
Press on to certain vict'ry  
Thro' pain and toil and pray'rs.

New Albany, Ind.

Harriet Matheny.

All persons having resolutions they desire brought before the Convention will please send them now by the first mail to the Chairman of Resolution Committee, Miss Alice Palmer, Franklin Ind.

## NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Will be held at Portland Maine, October 17 to 22. The Indiana delegates and visitors will go through in a special coach, leaving Indianapolis at 6:15 p. m., October 14, via the Big Four route, arriving at Buffalo and Niagara Falls about 8:00 o'clock a. m., October 15. Spend the day at Niagara Falls, leaving Buffalo at 8:30 p. m., October 15, going via New York Central through Albany, arriving at Boston 10:30 a. m., October 16. Spend a few hours sight seeing and get to Portland, Maine, at 5:00 p. m., October 16. Every person desiring to visit the Convention is invited to join our party. We will go through from Indianapolis to Boston in a sleeper without change. The sleeper rates are \$2.75 each, for two persons in a berth. From Boston the short run up to Portland will be made over the "Boston & Maine" route.

It is necessary to go via Boston, for upon the return trip a big rally will probably be held in Tremont Temple.

The delay in granting reduced rates has made it impossible to answer inquiries any sooner, which we regret. The fare from Indianapolis to Portland, Maine, is about \$23.50 and one-third that rate for the return trip. Those desiring to go should write for further particulars. Everybody going is expected to take a well filled lunch basket and not depend upon lunch stands or dining car service.

Any information gladly given to those thinking about going. Address

MRS. LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER  
Superintendent Transportation, Greencastle, Ind.  
"Rosa Bower."

## ON TO HUNTINGTON!

On October 2 and 3 the W. C. T. U. clans will gather for the annual convention at the beautiful city of Huntington. They will be welcomed there by the press, the churches and into the hospitable homes. If you are a president of a Union or a delegate, it is your duty to go. If you are neither, it will be a blessed privilege to go. Secure board from the local committee and attend the convention.

Take the husbands and brothers to Huntington and be sure to take the boys and girls. Reduced rates have been secured for board. The convention cannot

help but be an inspiration to all who attend. Delegates will be entertained for breakfast, supper and lodging and over Sunday. Since our conventions have become so large it means much to be entertained. To entertain about 300 women for nearly a week is a task.

All delegates whose names have been sent in to the chairman of the Entertainment Committee have received cards notifying them whose guests they will be. Let no one receiving such a card fail to immediately write the hostess at what time she expects to arrive. If in doubt about going, write and say so. Every White Ribboner should be courteous and endeavor to follow the golden rule. Those receiving cards who cannot go should return them so that others may be assigned in their places. Take your banners with you to be used in decorating. Go to the convention determined to love everybody and to be slow to censure or criticize. Take with you only kind thoughts and kind intentions and keep sweet en route and all the time. Thus you will win favors for our blessed cause and help the work of the convention.

## THE L. T. L. CONVENTION

Will be held in connection with the W. C. T. U. convention and the Legioners should receive our support and encouragement. Take your boys and girls to this convention. It will do them more good than two days in school. The educational value cannot thus be estimated.

## ADVERTISEMENTS FOR STATE MINUTES.

The printing of our Annual Minutes costs in the neighborhood of \$250 or \$300, and as they are sold for less than cost and many copies given away, the receipts from sales seldom amount to one-third of the expense. It was decided at the Mid-year Executive that in order to meet this bill we should solicit advertisements, to be placed in the back of the Minutes. It will be possible to pay for the Minutes in this way. Blanks the size of a page of the Minutes have been prepared, with terms and a promise to pay when the work is completed printed at the bottom. I will gladly furnish any one with several blanks. The terms are \$15 for a whole page, \$10 for a half page, \$5 for a quarter of a page and \$2.50 for an eighth of a page. As these Minutes go into the hands of women all over the State, they furnish a valuable medium for advertising any goods used in the home or by women. If there is a college near you, try to secure their advertisement, for White Ribbon mothers are seeking the best possible advantages for their children. Make an effort at once to help in this way and bring the one you secure to the State Convention or mail it to me. The Minutes will probably not be printed before the first of November, so there is time if you will act promptly.

Cordially,

MRS. HATTIE W. BRAND.

## TAKE NOTICE.

Unions that have not already sent to the State Treasurer the fifty cents for Local Committee convention expenses will confer a great favor on the committee by doing so at once. Bills must be met and they are depending upon this fund to help meet them. Kindly send money to the State Treasurer, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

## SABBATH SCHOOL RALLY AT HUNTINGTON.

One of the great features of the Huntington Convention promises to be a Sabbath-school Rally, at which 1,100 children are expected to be present. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson was their choice for speaker and Mrs. Rall writes: "She will be the biggest advertised woman at the Convention." Mrs. Gibson recently made several addresses in Huntington County and made a most favorable impression.

## THE LITTLE THING TO DO NOW.

By the time this issue of the MESSAGE reaches you nearly every Local and County Union will have had its election of officers. Whether you have re-elected old officers or chosen new ones, will you not please send me a postal at once giving the name of your Union, names and addresses of the officers and superintendents? I greatly desire that the new Directory for 1903 shall be completed by the first day of November. It is a great loss in expense to the State and valuable material to you when the State record is not correct and mail is sent to the wrong woman. The way to make it all right and easy for us all is for you to buy one postal card and take the little time it requires to send the list of officers for 1903. Let us all try to make the coming year the very best in the history of the Indiana W. C. T. U., and begin by doing this little important thing now.

MRS. HATTIE W. BRAND

## THE KNOT OF WHITE RIBBON.

A beautiful song entitled "The Knot of White Ribbon" has been composed and published by our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand. Mrs. Brand was a student at the College of Music at Cincinnati and is a lover of music. The words were written by Miss Mary Averill, of Dover, Maine, so by a combination of eastern and western talent this sweet song has been added to our repertoire of White Ribbon music. After the expense of publishing has been met, Mrs. Brand intends to make the sale of the song a source of revenue to the State Treasury. It is a soprano solo and the words are as follows:

How dear to our hearts is the knot of white ribbon,  
The tie that unites us around the great world;  
The symbol of purity, badge of our Union,  
As potent as liberty's flag when unfurled.  
It speaks to the heart of the prayers that rise ever,  
Of the hands that are working to overcome wrong;  
Of the faces aglow with the light of endeavor,  
Of the feet that are pressing for right as they throng.

Oh, knot of white ribbon, the light silken ribbon,  
The pure tie of ribbon which shows we belong.

Sweet emblem of hope and united endeavor,  
What joy it imparts to the co-worker's soul;  
The dear love of Christ it bespeaks for us ever,  
And bids us press onward to reach the fair goal.  
Our sisters are marching in every nation,  
Our brothers are pressing to join in the throng;  
Oh, how the heart swells with divine exaltation,  
At sight of the ribbon which shows we belong.

Oh, the knot of white ribbon, the light silken ribbon,  
The pure tie of ribbon which shows we belong.

Price twenty-five cents. Order of Mrs. Brand.

## HARTFORD CITY—LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

As the name of our own dear Mrs. Stahl is so familiar to the readers of the MESSAGE, she needs no introduction. As an evidence of the high esteem in which she is held in her home city, we wish to say to your readers that at one of our meetings she was, by unanimous vote, made the recipient of a life membership in the W. C. T. U. One beautiful feature of this gift was that it was done in her absence, therefore it came to her in the nature of a complete surprise, which made it none the less enjoyable.

Mrs. Stahl has been the President of the Hartford City Union ever since its organization, with the exception, perhaps, of a year and a half. She has worked unceasingly and untiringly in her efforts to bring the Union to its present prosperous condition. While she has had so much of general work upon her as State Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings, etc., yet she has worked with untiring zeal in the interest of the local Union. Therefore, in some measure to express our appreciation of her worth and labors, some of the sisters conceived the beautiful thought of substantially expressing our appreciation, which thought, when presented to the Union, met a hearty approval.

Sister Stahl being away from home at the time engaged in the temperance work, we concluded it would not lessen the enjoyment to not say anything to her about it until she had received the notice from headquarters; and you may just say to those men (and they are the same fellows, you know, who won't let us vote) who say that a woman cannot keep a secret, that we did not tell her when she returned home!

Suffice it to say, that to we who had the privilege of being present when Sister Stahl undertook to thank the Union, was again verified the Scripture, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." While language failed her to express her appreciation of the gift, you know there is a something that is far deeper and more beautiful and eloquent at such times than language.

To each Union that has such an opportunity of manifesting its appreciation of the labors of a diligent worker in the cause, we would say, "Go thou and do likewise." We have no objection to the strewing of flowers on the bier when we are done with the busy cares of this world, but how much better to strew them in each others' pathway while in this world! How it lightens the burdens of the worn and weary! How it strengthens the weak! How it cheers the downcast! How it comforts the sorrow-stricken! How it helps over the rough places! How it encourages the discouraged! Can we afford to do it? Yea, eternity will reveal the fact that we can well afford it.

E. A. WILLIS.

Mrs. Mary E. Balch and Mrs. Frances Metz have been soliciting for the Hadley School. Mrs. Metz has secured contributions in provisions.



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*Warrick County*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Petersburg.

## EVANGELISTIC.

The time is drawing very near for our last report and I trust that you are, each one, purposing to send your State Superintendent a good full report. If you have not done much please do not think that it is not worth while reporting the little. I will know by this that you are not dead and the sum of many small reports will make one large one. There are a number of counties I have not heard from. I do not want to say this in my report at the State Convention, but will have to unless you report in September. Remember that I cannot guess at figures and our National Superintendent urges us to report accurately. I am sure that you will help me in this. Please refer to the questions in my Plan of Work and any that are not on the report blank answer on the back of the blank.

## SUPERINTENDENTS.

You, no doubt, know that at the department meeting, in June, I was elected President of the Board. I cannot take much space in THE MESSAGE, but want to ask each one of you to send me any suggestions that may come to your minds, that will be helpful in our work. I trust that you will all be on hand in time for the first meeting, which will be the day before the convention at large begins. My heart says: "God bless you each one and give you grace and wisdom to accomplish the work He would have you do."

## JAIL AND PRISON.

I have not received my blanks from our National Superintendent, but I have asked to be given a few days time in order to give our state report to national in figures, as that is the only way in which we can show what has been done. Grant and Howard counties have sent in reports of grand work done.

Will you please send me your report in figures. So many report thus: Have visited jails, distributed literature, etc. please state how many visits made to jails; how many to almshouse; how many pledges signed; the number of local Superintendents in your county. I have been shut in so much of the past year that I have not done any of the work planned for the state (outside of my own county), but I know the dear sisters have worked and planned and the seed sowing has gone on by those who have been in the work for years; and let us send to the national a true report of what the Indiana women, of this department, have done for the Master.

Will you get a statement from your sheriff or police judge of what help the W. C. T. U. have been to them? I will pray and trust for a full report in time for our state convention. Just send report on postal.

ANNA E. PALMATEER,  
State Superintendent.

## TEMPERANCE WORK AMONG FOREIGNERS.

Alexander DeToqueville said nearly fifty years ago: "I look upon the size of certain American cities, and especially upon the nature of their population, as a real danger which threatens the security of the democratic republics of the New World." The marked difference which he observed between European cities and American cities was that the population of the former was

largely native, while the population of our cities was heterogeneous and foreign. London is the largest city in the world, and while representatives of nearly every nationality and race are to be found there, the census reports show that over one-half its population are London born, and over ninety out of every hundred are natives of England or Wales. In marked contrast with this stands our great city of Chicago with its vast foreign population. In some of our large cities as high as three-fourths of the population are foreigners. Many of these foreigners are as loyal to the principles which the stars and stripes represent as any son of American soil, but the majority have no conception of the duties of Christian citizenship, and so become tools in the hands of unscrupulous politicians. There are two sides to the immigrant problem, and they are—What can we do for him and What is he doing for us? If we win him for Christ and teach him the responsibilities of citizenship in a country where supreme power in government rests in individual ballots, he will be one of us and do us good; but if left to be influenced by the baser element he will do us harm.

The first thing which attracts the attention of the immigrant as he approaches the New York port is the great Bartholdi statue of Woman Enlightening the World, and almost the first to extend a friendly hand at the port is our W. C. T. U. missionary, Miss Mary Orr, who meets every steamer. We have temperance and Sabbath Observance literature in eighteen different languages and with this mighty appeal we seek to turn his thought and power into the right channel.

There is a new star of hope in the immigration bill which has passed the House and been favorably reported to the Senate. If friends of the bill will continue to ask for its passage, the victory will be won. This bill now includes the exclusion of intoxicants from immigrant stations, where the conditions and influences have been most deplorable. The bill is opposed by steamboat companies, brewers and priests, each of whom would lose about a third of their patrons by immigration restrictions.

One of the principal things that should be done now is to get up a deputation in each town where a Congressman or Senator resides, and by personal interviews, letters and petitions urge the passage of the bill.

As compared with many States, Indiana has a small foreign population, there being only 142,121 foreign born according to the last census report, but it is worth while to try to reach them, and any one living in a neighborhood of foreigners will be doing valuable work by placing temperance literature in their hands in their own language. I will most gladly supply any one with a limited amount if they will indicate the language desired. I will also gladly receive and forward donations for work at the New York port.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,  
State Superintendent Foreign Work.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Many of your readers already know of the epidemic of scarlet fever which so suddenly appeared in our home. Twenty-six of our girls were smitten with it. Twenty five have recovered and one is now with her mother in Indianapolis for further nursing. I was on the Pacific coast at the time, but Mrs. Tarlton and Mrs. Hessong were prompt in sending a professional nurse, and a physician of experience who resides near the school was summoned and the united efforts of the officers in charge all contributed to the perfect recovery of so many from this dread disease. Mrs. Anna Buchanan Logan is first in charge and is associated with other efficient workers. The farm and garden products are more abundant than last year and the outlook is encouraging.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION PLEASURE TRIPS.

To midland visitors to the National Convention, one of the most interesting things to be seen will be the ocean. To gratify this desire a trip will be arranged by the transportation committee, to visit old "White Head," an island in Casco Bay. The other islands not too far from Portland will also be seen on this little excursion by steamer. A very nominal sum will be charged, and it is hoped the weather may be pleasant. Time and all other details will be announced at convention.

## JOSEPHINE NICHOLS UNION AT WABASH.

This Union has been actively at work during the past year. Its membership has been increased from 50 to 76 paid members. They have given \$10.00 to the Hadley Industrial School and have supplied the Principals of the Public Schools of Wabash with the *School Physiology Journal*. The newly elected officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Edna Kerr; Vice President, Mrs. Cynthia Jones; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Emma R. Davis; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lillie Lines; Treasurer, Mrs. Carrie Jordan. Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton, State Evangelist, was the speaker at their County Convention.

Miss Addie Smith, a solicitor for the Hadley School, is again at work after a visit home. She is working in and about Terre Haute.



## OUR PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN WORK IN MAINE.

In addition to the constantly increasing labor involved in the preparation for our approaching annual Convention, Mrs. Stevens has entered actively into the political campaign just closed in her own State, writing and speaking effectively in the cause of home protection. A campaign document of which she was the author went into every home in York county. On the evening of September 5 she spoke in the home town of the candidate for sheriff of that county, going from there to an adjacent town, where she delivered an address the same evening. The night before election Mrs. Stevens addressed a large audience at Brunswick, the seat of Bowdoin College and the home of Mr. Bisbee, candidate for sheriff of Cumberland county, in which Portland is situated. The members of the twenty-five Unions in this county, led by our valiant President, entered heart and soul into this campaign for the election of men pledged to faithfully and vigorously enforce the prohibitory law.—*Exchange.*

## CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP RALLIES.

CHICAGO, ILL., September 13—The Christian Endeavor society of the Hyde Park Church of Christ, corner Fifty-seventh street and Lexington Avenue, is inaugurating a series of Christian Citizenship Rallies to be held at eight o'clock on Sunday evening, beginning September 28 and closing November second. The desire, on the part of the committee, is to arouse interest in the question of civic righteousness, temperance and prohibition. Following is the list of speakers: September 28, Oliver W. Stewart; October 5, John G. Woolley; October 12, Mrs. Ella S. Stewart; October 19, Wm. P. F. Ferguson; October 26, James A. Tate; November 2, Oliver W. Stewart.

## HEREDITY.

One of the most startling and stumbling passages among the early truths of scripture is the one found in the second commandment, where by the eternal and just laws of God in nature, "the iniquity of the father is visited unto the children of the third and fourth generation," and lest that overwhelm the soul with its sadness, in the same breath God tells us that His mercy extends "to thousands of them that love Him and that keep His commandments." Of late years social economists have made much of the study of heredity and claim it almost as a new truth but just discovered by modern science, while in a brief study, we find the Bible is the oldest and strongest authority on the subject of heredity, teaching that sin was the inheritance of our race, and that special sins were transmitted from father to son, just as family traits were curable by care and culture in the third or fourth generation, if not in the second. The voice from Sinai ought to have been enough, without human experience, but one of the saddest facts of life everywhere is that every one seeks his own experience, and people will not begin where the former generation left off, but must too oft seek similar paths of sin and misery. Thousands of years ago Jeremiah said: "The Gentiles from the ends of the earth say our fathers have inherited vanity and things wherein there is no profit." We turn the old Bible stories over and can understand the deceit that so mars the character of Jacob, when we recall the deceitful nature of his mother Rebecca, who though beautiful and beloved, had what so many later day "beauties" possess, a vanity of self, out of which so easily grows deceit. (Let us be thankful that this generation demands something more of a young woman than a beautiful face.)

God's mercy shines wonderfully in all his dealings with Jacob. It seems as if God always took into account, what Jacob's early home training had been, and so made allowance for all of his lies and trickery—letting Jacob reap bitter results, and heart sorrows, but never forgetting to bless, and to love him through it all. Rebecca is well offset by Rachel's pure spirit, that so descended to her son, whose transparent character we all love.

We trace several generations of kings that forgot God in India, the result of the marriage of Jehoshaphat's son with Jezebel's daughter. It didn't pay then to marry a godless woman any better than it does to-day (though possessed with rare beauty.) We get a glimpse of David's mother, when we read Ps. 88:16. "Oh turn unto me and have mercy upon me and save the son of thine handmaid" and the secret of young Timothy's devotion. We all remember when Paul spoke of "the faith that dwelt in his grandmother Lois, and his mother, Eunice." Peter passes the truth along when he says "The promise is with you and your children."

Ezekiel, the brave young prophet of the Captivity, sends a clarion note down through the ages, in that great chapter on heredity (Ezekiel 18), where results and their cure, run side by side and divine mercy overtops heredity by divine grace—the only cure—so ably expressive in later days by the words: "Who is He that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Christ." Medical journals are full of cases of "Inherited Tendencies," and cite diseases that seem incurable in less than three generations; the disease ever cropping out in the innocent victims, down to the fourth generation.

In England, a long line of night watchmen had their heartiest meal at midnight. Finally, a man of the fourth generation, sought other employment but had to rise and eat at midnight. His son was

brought up by a relative, who was astonished the son awakened nightly, faint and hungry, quired food as a necessity. Here heredity itself as a natural law of development, in of human action.

"The drunkard's thirst is only wine in generation, whisky in the second, and delirium in the third." No father can be a drinker and this awful fact not stand in his way.

It is claimed that there is not to-day in a family untainted, who cannot point with the blighted life of some one within the radius. Too often a loved one nearer home ere midday, a living derelict, or cut off, full is, through the awful blight of the drunkard. Hundreds of our noblest men in America recognizing this truth, are total abstainers, and knowledge of this truth, a better race of men come. Give America four generations of total abstainers and what may she not do?

Criminal heredity is being made a study, and a late census of our larger prisons that fifty per cent of the worst criminals came from families where other criminals were found. "old Margaret," that criminal of New York, over two hundred descendants in jails and and think what might have been saved to had she been rescued in girlhood. She has a terrible lesson, and thereby done more to in to Christian work in the slums, than any other in America. Questionable fame, but we have a lesson.

Every Sunday-school teacher may have power sometime to save hundreds through the opportunity to just save one soul.

Surely "no man liveth unto himself, or doth he himself." "Human Influence," a thought replete with meaning. It begins the study of and it helps to solve the problem of "environment," overcome by God's grace, proves heredity or order reaching to Heaven, as we sing together taught over again in the 103d Psalm: "But the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting righteousness unto children's children."—*The*

## L. T. L. NEWS FROM THE U. S. SIGNAL.

## ALABAMA.

MOTTO: "If we save the children to-day, we have a nation to-morrow."

## RALLY CRY.

Here we come, hear us tell,  
Rah, rah, rah, L. T. L.  
We promise you that soon or late  
We'll drive saloons from our loved State.  
And the Prohibition banner  
Will soon wave over Alabama.

We need a State Organizer. We have imp Mrs. Greene for some work. Fort Payne has largest Legion. ANNA B. HAIL, State Secy

## INDIANA.

MOTTO: "The children are a-field."

MOTTO FOR GRADUATES "We work to win."

## RALLY CRY.

Rah! Rah! Rah!  
Clover Blossoms, we're a-field.  
Why? Saloons must die.  
Hear their knell,  
Indiana L. T. L.

The L. T. L. was organized May 20, 1886 incorporated May 16, 1890. Much of the success the work is due to the former State leaders, L. T. A. Straw, Miss W. E. Peckinpaugh and Amanda R. Shedd. The departments taken up: Organization, with two organizers in the field (Mr. James L. Gipe of Indianapolis, and Miss Ina Coggeshall, of Marion), Anti-Narcotic, Anti Gambling, Medal Contest, Mercy and Help, and Flower Mission. Our State Convention will meet in the city of Huntington, in connection with the W's, October 3 to 7. Fifteen new Legions have been organized so far this year. Kokomo has the largest general Legion, with Miss Fannie Pedigo as leader. Seymour is the oldest Legion. Every Union in Huntington county has a Legion. Our Medal Contest Superintendent reports fifty-four silver and two small gold medals used.

IDA M. MIX,  
State Secretary.

## NEW YORK.

MOTTO: "Over thorns we march to victory."

## RALLY CRY.

Zee, Zaw, Zell. Well, Well, Well,  
What's the matter with the L. T. L.?  
Yell, yell, yell; every body yell,  
New York State L. T. L.

Nearly every one of New York's sixty counties has a general L. T. L. secretary and seven counties have L. T. L. organizations holding conventions twice a year. The State Senior L. T. L., organized in 1893, has 1,402 graduates. Seven departments are carried on. Much money has been raised by asking each Senior Legion to contribute \$2 to the State fund and by securing life members at \$10 each. The Senior Legions have been the best training schools for young men in reform work. At least four saloons have been closed through their efforts.

Nearly every young man who graduates becomes a Prohibitionist. In one Legion thirteen young men vote the Prohibition ticket. The largest Senior Legion in Ithaca has ninety-six pledged and paid mem-

bered all ages are brought together. Successful Legions are maintained in German settlements among a beer-drinking population. The pledge is not at first presented, but is gradually introduced and carefully explained and illustrated many times before signatures are asked. In one case twelve



## THE MESSAGE.

"Marching Onward;" solo, "The Holy Miss Blanche Hiles; solo, "He Knows," by Miss Smith. "The Liquor Traffic and the y Miss Palmer, was very much appreciated and attentive audience present. At the is very interesting session the visiting sistered a reception at the home of the rresponding Secretary, Miss Addie Smith. mber of guests were present and festivities l a late hour. Campbellsburg Union feels encouraged and built up from having en- his convention. While our reports are not would have them be, we hope to increase g all lines.

ounty W. C. T. U. convention which met church at Ossian, September 11, had a very ic meeting, closing with an inspiring address ning from Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Rich- frs. Stanley remains two days in this County sit new Unions and give them needed in- Wells County has six unions and will dd another to the list. The following are s for the ensuing year: County President, din, Bluffton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Worley, Ossian; Corresponding Secretary, Ellingham, Bluffton; Treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Ossian.

### NOTES.

**Anna Rothwell Stewart**, Field Secretary oung Woman's Branch National W. C. T. ass through Indiana the first of November ay West, where she will work during the Miss Stewart writes that she will try to give ne or two dates on her way through the

**Elizabeth Stanley**, State Lecturer, has ost constantly in the field for the past two doing valiant work for the W. C. T. U. and of prohibition. Mrs Stanley is one of our ented speakers and never disappoints an . She will make the principal address at the eling Sabbath afternoon at the State Conven- rs. Viola D Romans, who is to make the ad- day night, will be introduced at the Mass and will make a short address.

**Elizabeth Haughton**, State Evangelist, eet face and spirit is an inspiration to better as been at work in the northern and eastern the State. She will attend the Wabash Convention and make the address of the even- er which she will conduct services in Rev. r's church until the time for State Convention. County in the State would be benefited by a least once a year from our State Evangelist.

**ow Union, near Carmel**—On September 16 ate Secretary, Mrs. Brand, in company with ailey, of Mapleton Union, drove to Carmel and ed a Union of twelve members near Gray. members from the Carmel Union were present and encourage the new members. The Union anized at the home of Mrs. Hattie Myers. the members paid dues and it promises to be ssive Union. They will have a delegate at Convention.

**ie Normal City W. C. T. U.** elected the officers: President, E. Ella Bond; Corres- Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Hill; Treasurer, y Ebrite. On the evening of the 12th forty et at the home of our Treasurer, Mrs. Mary o assist in the opening of the free will offering es. Choice recitations, interspersed with music, ed by Bible Salad and light refreshments. More an five dollars was added to the treasury. Our County Convention will occur the 26th in Muncie. Alice Ruth Palmer will attend the convention and deliver a lecture in the evening. There will be a gold contest in charge of Cora M. Steele.

**Jonesboro Union** elected its officers and ap- pointed its Superintendent for the new year. All posi- tions were willingly accepted and we hope to be ready to begin more work with the new year. Also ap- pointed a delegate at large to the convention. We are glad to have Mrs. Cammack-Gibson with us when she can be, for her kind words are always soothing and en- couraging. Mrs. Gordon's patented badge pin will be introduced at the State Convention and orders taken for the same by Mrs. C. S. Spence.

**Lapel Union** collected \$3.25 by means of thank offering envelopes, though they came too late to hold meeting September 28. Sorry not to have done bet- ter, glad we did as well. We hope to have Mrs. Rev. Hobson, of California, in our union soon. She has just moved here and is an active worker in W. C. T. U. Her husband, Rev. Hobson, evangelist, is a very able temperance worker and a prohibitionist.

**Jefferson Union**, Clinton County, elected the following officers: Harriet Elliott, President; Ida VanSickle, Vice President; Jane Harshman, Secre- tary; Mary Thompson, Treasurer.

**Superintendent of Social Purity**, of LaPorte, writes: We regret that the house was not filled to overflowing to listen to the able and instructive addresses given by Mrs. R. W. McMahan, August 27.

**Frankfort W. C. T. U.** have elected their officers for the coming year as follows: President, Mrs. Emma Saylor; Vice President, Mrs. Robbins; Corres- ponding and Recording Secretary, Frank R. Hinds Treasurer, Mrs. Hattie Barricklow.

**Elkhart County W. C. T. U's** had an opportu- nity of an afternoon and evening's work by, Mrs. E. M. Haughton, our State Superintendent of the Evange- listic department. Three unions accepted gladly, one after some consideration and three did not find it con- venient to arrange for a meeting. In our work, the harrowing and the sowing do not manifest themselves readily, and many a worker has toiled without any idea of the immeasurable results, but though we can say with Paul, "We are perplexed, but not in despair" this we know, "The Day of Sheaves" shall reveal our labor. Sister Haughton sowed with prayer and en- deavor where she was permitted to; now we will trust the Lord for the growth and the yield.

**September 3**, in the Friends church in Bloom- ingdale, occurred the annual convention of Parke County W. C. T. U. This was the first September con- vention we heard of and in point of success will do for a leader. Reports of Local Presidents and County Superintendents showed good work done along our different lines. Result of election: President, May T. Lindley, Bloomingdale; Vice President, Salina Newlin, Marshall; Recording Secretary, Sarah M. Owens, Marshall; Corresponding Secretary, Mary C. Cook, Montezuma; Treasurer, Lou M. Spray, Bloom- ingdale. Afternoon session. Orpha Morris recited in a most pleasing manner. "Alcohol and Opiates for Children; What shall we give in their stead?" was ably discussed by Dr. McKinley. "Effect of Alcohol and Opiates on the past Generation and on the Com- ing," Dr. Woodard. The final result of the complete enforcement of the Nicholas Law, was ably discussed by Rev. McGaughey and others. Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute, was with us throughout the conven- tion and most ably assisted in discussing the differ- ent topics of the day. Her lecture at night, "The Twentieth Century Boy, What Shall He Be?" was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Our people were capti- vated with her bright and pleasing ways and hope she will come again.

**A very interesting** meeting of Bloomingdale Union was that of the opening of the thank offerings. \$6.00 was the amount enclosed. And the reading of the texts was a real uplift. Such as, "Give and it shall be given to you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together and running over shall men give into your bosom. For with what measure ye mete, withal it shall be measured to you again." "He that hath a beautiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor." "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

**Mrs. Anna Palmateer** has recently presented the Hadley Industrial School with a dictionary and rack—surely a practical gift.

**Peru Union** held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Dr. Ward, September 2. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. John Blair; First Vice President, Mrs. Hollingshade; Second Vice President, Mrs. Dr. Ward; Third Vice President, Mrs. J. W. Cain; Fourth Vice President, Mrs. Harry Nyce; Fifth Vice President, Mrs. I. N. Grisso; Sec- retary, Mrs. Moses Puterbaugh; Treasurer, Mrs. L. E. Parsons. A paper on Christian Giving, by Mrs. Parsons, was very interesting. Following this was the repeating of texts accompanying the free will offerings, which was impressive.

**LaPorte Union's** yearly meeting was held Sep- tember 4. All the old officers and Superintendents were re-elected. Delegates to the State Convention were appointed.

**During** latter part of June Mrs. E. M. Haughton spent eight days in DeKalb County, speaking every night and twice on Sabbath and Wednesday. The W. C. T. U. of Auburn had a very large parlor meet- ing, which was held in Mr. Eckhart's beautiful home. There were over 60 present, although the day was not pleasant. They had music, a good recitation and a short address from Mrs. Haughton and closed with refreshments and a social time. Each member was privileged to invite a friend and Mrs. Eckhart invited as many as she desired. Mrs. Haughton spoke in seven towns, riding over the country with Mrs. Wise, who is earnestly working to build up the W. C. T. U. in her county. At the meeting in Butler, all of the ministers dismissed their Sabbath night audiences and came out to hear Mrs. Haughton speak and a young lady recite who went from Auburn. Although the weather was threatening the church was full and the ministers were very kind and sympathetic as well as the audience. Mrs. Wise appreciated the work very much.

**Dr. C. H. St John**, of Salina, has been elected a member of the faculty of the Kansas Wesleyan Col- lege, to deliver a series of lectures on Hygiene and Heredity, or the effects of nicotine and stimulants on the human system. The faculty is composed of pro- gressive men who believe that institutions of higher education should make a specialty of teaching and promulgating the principles of total abstinence.—Ex.

**Morocco Union** officers for 1902-03: President, Mary C. McConnahey; Vice President, Euphemia Gar- rard; Vice President of Churches, M. E., Emma Kess- ler; U. B., Mary Camblin; Christian, Matilda Archi- bald; Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Aman- da Webber; Treasurer, Mary Camblin; Superintend- ent Literature and Evangelistic, Emma Kessler; Purity and Mothers' Meetings, Euphemia Gerrard; Narcotics, Ella Troxell; Franchise, Amanda Webber; Scientific Temperance, Matilda Archibald; Flower Mission, Mary E. Handley; Non-Alcoholic Medica- tion, Hester Urch; Visiting Committee, Mesdames. Urch, Archibald and Bebout.

**Washington County** held at Campbellsburg, in the First Baptist Church. We had with us Miss Palmer, of Franklin, who gave several good talks and a great deal of encouragement. The program for the evening consisted of a W. C. T.



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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## WELCOME SONG.

Words by Mrs. Lou E. Rall.

Music by Rev. C. C. Strickland and Charles Strickland, Huntington.  
(As sung at the State Convention at Huntington.)

There's a glad and happy greeting in the faces here to-night;  
There's a warm and joyous beating, 'mong the hearts that flutter  
light;  
There's a bright and smiling welcome, shining from our loveliest eyes,  
With a glow that burns as tender as the warmth from summer skies,  
For comrades are all coming, from the East, the South, the West,  
They are gathering in glad numbers, all of those whom we love best;  
Comrades true, with steadfast purpose, brave of heart and high of  
aim,  
Bearing high our pure white banner, marching forward "In His  
Name."

### CHORUS.

Welcome! Welcome! joyous Welcome! All who wear the Ribbon  
white!  
To our homes and to our hearthstones, you are welcome here to-  
night.

We are proud to give a greeting to this noble temperance throng,  
And this tiny bow of ribbon shows that we, too, "all belong."

There's been much and busy planning for the dear White Ribbon  
friends;

Such a joyous, happy meaning always, love to duty lends.  
Hands have given willing service, tireless feet run to and fro,  
Bearing burdens without murmur, glad the weary way to go.  
Now has come love's full fruition, as we greet your faces bright,  
Joining hearts with hands and voices in our services to-night,  
For we all work under orders, Christ the Captain of our throng,  
And we gladly shout and sing it, "We belong, we all belong."

You have worked with earnest praying, in the battlefield of life,  
Hordes of evil ever staying, making peace place of strife.  
Some have fallen in the striving, gone to broader fields above,  
But we feel they guide and help us, from our Father's home of love;  
So our hearts are warm and tender, as we gather here below,  
Thanking God, our Heavenly Father, who protects and guides us so.  
Praise Him with increasing courage, marching in this Temperance  
band,  
Working always for our motto, "God and home and every land."

## HUNTINGTON CONVENTION.

The twenty-ninth annual convention opened in Huntington, October 3, and held until 1 p. m. October 7. 115 delegates present.

Preparations had been most fully made for our coming by Mrs. Rall, the County President, and her faithful corps of helpers. Committees met us at the trains, messenger boys saw us to our places of entertainment and baggage was duly dispatched by expressmen. Banners and flags and white and yellow bunting decorated the beautiful M. E. church wherein we were made to feel at home. All General Officers were present. Forty-four *ex officio* members answered to roll call.

The Loyal Temperance Legion convention was held on Saturday forenoon, which brought many bright boys and girls to the platform.

Kokomo Legion has paid most dues and also has largest class of graduates, and thus won the banner.

The following officers were elected for the State L. T. L.:

Miss Edith Hillis, Kokomo—President.  
Lee Pedigo—First Vice-President.  
James Mix—Second Vice-President.  
Miss Susie McWhirter—Corresponding Secretary.  
Miss Hazel S. Crowley—Recording Secretary.  
Nathan Lenfestey—Treasurer.

A most excellent plan of work was given and adopted by the convention, which will be given in full.

Much time was given to amending the Constitution. No material change was made, simply correcting the typographical errors and changing the phraseology of the subject matter without changing its meaning.

The convention voted a life-size picture of Miss Willard, framed, presented to the convention church.

Miss Sears was made a life member by the convention, and the \$25 passed over to the Treasurer.

Mrs. Zent was the musical director for the convention in the absence of Mrs. Studebaker.

Mrs. McDaniels, of Terre Haute, Vigo County President, received the premium for the most completely filled blank in Institute work.

Mrs. Anna Campbell, of Frankfort, received premium for most work done in department of railroad employes, and the Josephine Nickols Union, Wabash, received premium for most money spent in this department.

Messages of Greetings were received from Kentucky and Ohio W. C. T. U. conventions, from the Friends' yearly meeting held at Richmond, from the Sheriff of Vigo County, and from Mr. Masters, Chairman of the State Central Prohibition Committee.

The convention accepted the invitation to hold its annual meeting at Terre Haute in 1903.

A beautiful spirit pervaded the convention throughout. The Officers and Superintendents made excellent reports. Many Unions have done good work during the year. One of the very interesting features

of the convention was the State convention of the Loyal Temperance Legion, which was held on Saturday morning. The State President, Miss Edith Hillis, presided. The attendance was unusually large and very enthusiastic.

Great advancement is being made in this branch of our work by developing the young people.

Miss Clara Sears, in her sweet, winsome manner, conducted the young woman's hour. It is encouraging to see so many young faces in our conventions. We welcome them. May each one of us help to bring them in.

The diamond medal contest was conducted by our own dear Mrs. Mary E. Balch in her inimitable way. Daisy Steadington, of Terre Haute, was awarded the medal. MESSAGE readers have seen her face in these columns. Mrs. Balch said good bye! it being her last service for Indiana in the capacity of Superintendent of Contest Department. Indiana's loss is Kentucky's gain. No other woman in the history of Indiana W. C. T. U. has been permitted to build for herself so great a monument in the hearts of the young people as has Mrs. Balch. When she can no longer talk Prohibition, those she has started in the work will be talking and voting it.

The mass meeting on Sunday afternoon was a great success. The attendance was very large. President Wilson presided. Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton conducted the devotional exercises. The address was by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, the newly-elected Vice-President. In the truest sense it was eloquent, able and convincing.

The pulpits of Huntington were occupied morning and evening by White Ribboners. The lecture on Monday night, by Mrs. Viola D. Romans, of Ohio, was considered one of the very best ever heard in an Indiana convention.

Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, of Franklin, the newly-elected Treasurer, is one of our round-the-world missionaries, who spent several years in South Africa. After returning to this country she served a few years as pastor of a Congregational church in Minnesota, and also State Vice President of the Minnesota W. C. T. U. Returning to Indiana, she was pastor at Hammond of the Congregational church, but now devotes most of her time to W. C. T. U. work. As our State Treasurer, Miss Palmer will receive the hearty sympathy and co-operation of all Indiana White Ribbons.

Every W. C. T. U. should plan some way to interest, and if possible to organize, the young people for definite temperance work. If these seem impractical then the appointing of large committees on temperance should be urged in all young people's church societies. When this is done the energetic, aggressive W. C. T. U. membership will cautiously suggest and help such committee to hold quarterly public temperance meetings. If victory comes soon it will only be brought by the young peoples' assistance. At the beginning of this new year consider well what can be done to secure the efforts of the young people for Prohibition.

## THE TREASURER'S MESSAGE.

Greeting from the Treasurer entering upon her new duties, as you read these words. Please lend your attention, dear comrades, to the following:

### NEW DUTIES OF THE TREASURER.

You have commanded me, through action of your State Convention, by a unanimous vote taken on the recommendation of both our Editor and past Treasurer, to receive of each woman's dollar dues sixty-five cents, and her name and address for the MESSAGE. Also to accept and pay all bills on account of the MESSAGE. You see this will increase considerably the work of the State Treasurer, but we think will prove wise legislation, both from the standpoint of convenience to the subscriber and the economy of State funds. Your State will save almost the entire appropriation paid the Business Manager, and postage on receipts for money sent to her.

### ANNUAL REPORTS.

Please send me your orders early and remit the price—fourteen cents each for copies to be sent by mail, ten cents for each copy to be expressed, the Local Unions and not the State to pay the express charges. Please do not keep the publishers waiting for their money. Cannot we have the entire edition sold, and sold early in the year? We certainly all need, and our friends need the information the Report gives us.

### THE FREE WILL OFFERING MEETINGS.

"If any of you lack wisdom let him ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not." Our work is so important we have need of wisdom from on high. We have need of funds that the work may be wisely prosecuted. We believe that the annual meeting for prayer, praise and consecration, with the free will offering from members and friends not only a helpful plan for State and local Unions, but an

absolute necessity for best development and vitality. Let us look forward to these meetings, and carry them out with faith and joy in His service.

ALICE RUTH PALMER,  
Franklin, Ind.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE EDUCATION.

Friends of the cause will welcome Dr. H. D. Didama, Dean of the Syracuse University Medical School, and Rev. James R. Day, L. L. D., Chancellor of Syracuse University, as members of the Advisory Board of the Department of Scientific Temperance Instruction of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Dr. Didama ranks high in the medical world, and his knowledge of the alcohol question, being that of the specialist, eminently fits him for service with the men of science on the Text-book Committee, on which he is to serve. Dr. Day is well known as an educator and administrator. His counsels regarding a form of education which concerns the children of the entire country will be gratefully received by the whole people. The closing words in his letter of acceptance ring true. He says:

"Never was there such demand for all good people to unite in the great cause as now."

## A GREAT DISCIPLE PROHIBITION RALLY.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, October 16—The Disciples of Christ have just opened their General Church Convention in this city. It will last for a week or more. The first day preceding the convention, which was today, was given entirely to the consideration of the Prohibition question. A most excellent program was prepared by a committee of which W. H. Boles, of Alma, Ill., was chairman, and of which J. A. Lord, editor of the Christian Standard of Cincinnati, and J. H. Garrison, editor of The Christian Evangelist, of St. Louis, were also members. There was a great rally last night in the Coliseum, addressed by Oliver W. Stewart, of Chicago. Promptly at nine o'clock this morning the Prohibition conference began with W. H. Boles in the chair. George F. Hall, of Chicago, sent a stirring paper which was read by Noah J. Wright. Another paper by D. R. Dungan was read by Simpson Ely. J. A. Lord, of Cincinnati, followed with an address that brought the people to a high pitch of enthusiasm and the morning program was closed by one of the best papers ever read in a Prohibition conference, by W. J. Lahmon on "The Treble Appeal for Prohibition."

The afternoon was a sort of free for all and consisted of addresses and papers by Emerson, of Kansas, Wright, of Illinois, Jackman, of Indiana, Ely, of Minnesota, Jones, of Texas, Stewart, of Illinois, and others. During the entire day the attendance ran from one to two thousand people. Strong arguments were made in support of the Prohibition party. While the way was left open for representatives of other parties to express themselves, the conference was so overwhelmingly for the Prohibition party as to make the meeting appear as nothing else than a Prohibition party rally. A committee was appointed of which W. H. Boles was made chairman, to prepare the program for another such rally a year from this time at the next convention. It is intended to make these rallies permanent features of the great annual gathering of the Disciples of Christ.

## PROHIBITIONISTS BUSY IN WASHINGTON.

SEATTLE, WASH., October 4—These are busy times in Washington. State Chairman R. E. Dunlap is on the move most of the time attending conferences, holding rallies and meeting with County conventions. A determined effort is being made to arouse all our forces with a view to a largely increased vote.

## CUSHING IN PENNSYLVANIA.

UNIONTOWN, PA., October 4—W. M. Likins is rejoicing over the fact that the National Committee has granted him the use of Volney B. Cushing for one week commencing October 8. Mr. Cushing will put in the seven days in this County in a series of big meetings which Mr. Likins already has under headway.

## AT EVERETT, WASH.

Recently the largest church in the city was packed to the doors to the close of the Dobbins Trio's Illustrated Prohibition Lecture. No temperance speaker except John G. Woolley has ever drawn and held such an audience in this town. Numbers were added to the Prohibition ranks who may well congratulate themselves on having secured Prof. Dobbins and family.



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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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## TEMPERANCE LEADERS TO BE WEDDED.

It is with pleasure that we announce that Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, and Miss Mary Hadley, of Bloomingdale, will be married on November 6.

The significance of this marriage is apparent—Dr. Hall, as a physician, has been one of the most aggressive men in his profession in denouncing the use of alcohol medicinally. It was his paper read at a recent convention at Omaha, which caused much enthusiasm on the subject. As State Chairman of the Prohibition party of Indiana, Dr. Hall's splendid ability as an organizer and his wonderful leadership, brought Indiana into the front rank of States in Prohibition work.

Miss Mary Hadley, Indiana's sweet-spirited Vice-President, has served in that capacity for nine years. As State Superintendent of W. C. T. U. Institutes, Miss Hadley made a remarkable record and was elected Superintendent of the Department of Institute in the National W. C. T. U. For years she has been afield in Indiana and recently in other States. Everywhere her beautiful spirit and splendid ability has been recognized and appreciated. She has been warmly welcomed into many white ribbon homes of Indiana. Hundreds, yea thousands, claim her friendship.

It indeed seems fitting that two such noble, beautiful, philanthropic characters as these should unite their hearts and interests. Surely the hand of Providence is guiding in this. In a very peculiar manner Dr. Hall and Miss Hadley have been identified with the temperance movement and Christian advancement. They are both greatly loved, admired and appreciated. Their marriage will not be private. No formal invitations sent out, but all friends will be welcome. The wedding will occur November 6, at high noon, in the Friends' church, Bloomingdale, Parke County, Ind.

The business management of the MESSAGE goes into the hands of our State Treasurer. This by recommendation of the present incumbent and by vote of the convention. The present term of office expires November 1. The new plan, I am sure, will be heartily favored by all who consider it. The Local Treasurer remits dues, MESSAGE money and names of members to the County Treasurer, who in turn remits to the State Treasurer. The Local Treasurer's quarterly report blanks will contain a blank lined sheet for the names and addresses of all members who have paid dues during the quarter. These will be filled out by the Local Treasurer and sent to the County Treasurer at the end of the quarter. The County Treasurer makes out her summary report as usual, including the money for subscriptions to the MESSAGE, and sends with this report the lists of paid members received from Local Treasurers, to the State Treasurer. Thus names and money go directly to the State Treasurer.

In the past there have been many who did not regularly receive their papers. Since I have had the books this has caused me much regret, how much I cannot express. Some members receive all their mail except the MESSAGE in their husbands' names, and sometimes this causes their paper to miscarry. Then, too, sisters, you would be surprised to know how many names come on the list of subscribers, as Mrs. Brown or Mrs. Allen, and without street number or Rural Route. It often takes some time to get the correct name and address. Of all things necessary it is to write very plainly the proper names.

When our paper can be mailed by machine the subscribers' lists will be printed and copies of the lists for Unions, not getting their papers properly, can be sent to the Union and corrected. Then all renewals will be made to read same as old list. You see the names and addresses will be printed in a column, the paper folded by machinery and each name cut off and

past by machinery, the entire work writing names, folding and pasting of the MESSAGE being done in about two hours. Because it is necessary to keep the lists set up all the time, the type can not be used for anything else. Then it takes some work for the printer to set 5,000 names and addresses, the latter including not only name of town or city and State, but street number and Rural Route. Yes, and it means something to copy all these on wrappers once a month by hand. I hope that the MESSAGE may soon be put out by machinery, and that everyone of our dear White Ribboners will get the paper promptly.

For your courteous, kind, sympathetic co-operation I thank you all, especially do I appreciate the leniency extended to me by those who have failed to get their papers.

Heartily and cordially,

LUELLA F. McWHIRTER.

P. S.—By mistake I thought my term of office ended at time of convention. For this reason did not answer letters and send receipts, expecting to turn them over to another. Please pardon delay thus caused.

## MEDAL CONTEST.

MY DEAR CO-WORKERS: It is with hesitancy that I undertake the Medal Contest work, when we all know so well how efficiently it has been carried on with Mother Balch at the helm. I am strange to most of you, but trust we may soon become acquainted and that I shall have the hearty co-operation and earnest prayers of all sisters, that we may do much good in the name of our God. I should like to request that you always enclose money order when sending for medals and books, and in your first order please give full address, including County, that I may be enabled to keep a correct record by counties. Push the work, dear sisters, for we represent a most noble cause, and our department is one which will tell. Pray for me and help me. Yours for Victory,

CORA M. STEELE,  
Medal Superintendent.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Now is the time to begin work in the Scientific Temperance Department. Near 20,000,000 children are marching to and from the public school and the future success, largely, in after life of these girls and boys will depend upon the training, impressions and impulses that are received while they are pupils of our great government. The habits of life first, for these make character after habits are well instilled in the mind and heart of the child. Then the further infusing of all knowledge and understanding.

There is nothing so near to a child as its own body and the proper care of it should be the first thought of parent or guardian. So many parents have not been educated along the line of "Health and Hygiene," and we who have received the vision of the destruction of mind and body by the use of narcotics, must stand as monitors for the public health and welfare. But, judging from the work reported in this department last year, little thought was given to the public health. In the great State of Indiana only 120 Scientific Temperance Journals were reported taken by teachers. This journal contains the most excellent lessons for every grade from the baby room to the high school. Not only is the subject matter most excellent, but the advertisements are worthy to be read. The revised and authorized and carefully inspected physiologies are advertised in this Journal. One of the first things to do is to get subscriptions to this Journal. Let us begin now.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,  
State Superintendent.

## THE DRINK PROBLEM.

We get the following figures from the report of the board of managers of the National Temperance Society, June, 1902, entitled "Prohibition vs. High License."

According to the last report issued by the U. S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue—

In 1901 Prohibition Kansas produced 22,486 gallons of distilled liquors,

While high-license Nebraska produced 2,137,769 gallons of distilled liquors.

High-license Missouri produced 166,097 gallons of distilled liquors.

For each 1,000 of her people Kansas distilled 15 gallons, Nebraska 2,000 gallons and Missouri 500 gallons.

Of fermented liquors Kansas produced 9,022 barrels, Nebraska 255,792 barrels, and Missouri 2,699,788 barrels. Per 1,000 of inhabitants Kansas produced 6 barrels, Nebraska 230 barrels, and Missouri 840 barrels.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue reports that for manufacturers' stamps and liquor sellers' license during 1901 he collected from Kansas \$115,843; from Nebraska, \$2,776,908, and from Missouri \$5,576,945. Per 1,000 inhabitants this amounts to \$77 in Kansas, \$2,520 for Nebraska, and \$1,740 for Missouri.

Increase of taxable property in Kansas under prohibition from 1880 to 1900, \$200,234,312.06. In high license Nebraska \$92,363,920.41, a difference of \$11,600,000 a year in favor of Kansas. From 1831 to 1889 the prison population of Nebraska increased 167 per cent, while Kansas decreased 5 per cent.

About 1893 a brewer in St. Louis failed and gave as one of the reasons of his failure that his business in Kansas had decreased about 90 per cent.—*Exchange.*

## LIFE—(A Literary Curiosity.)

Why all this toil for triumphs of an hour?

—Young.

Life's a short summer—man is but a flower.

—Dr. Johnson.

By turns we catch the fatal breath and die.

—Pope.

The cradle and the tomb, alas! how nigh.

—Prior.

To be is better far than not to be.

—Sewell.

Though all man's life may seem a tragedy;

—Spencer.

But light cares speak when mighty griefs are dumb.

—Daniel.

The bottom is but shallow whence they come.

—Sir Walter Raleigh.

Thy fate is the common fate of all;

—Longfellow.

Unmingled joys here no man betall;

—Southwell.

Nature to each allots his proper sphere.

—Congreve.

Fortune makes folly her peculiar care.

—Churchill.

Custom does not reason overrule.

—Rochester.

And throw a cruel sunshine on a fool.

—Armstrong.

Live well; how long or short permit to heaven.

—Milton.

They who forgive most shall be most forgiven.

—Bailey.

Sin may be clasped so close we cannot see its face—

—French.

Vile intercourse, where virtue has no place;

—Somerville.

Then keep each passion down, however dear,

—Thompson.

Thou pendulum betwixt a smile and tear.

—Byron.

Her sensual snares let faithless pleasure lay,

—Smollett.

With craft and skill to ruin and betray;

—Crabbe.

Soar not too high to fall, but stoop to rise;

—Massinger.

We masters grow of all that we despise.

—Crowley.

Oh, then, renounce that impious self-esteem,

—Beattie.

Riches have wings and grandeur is a dream.

—Cowper.

Think not ambition wise because 'tis brave,

—Sir Wm. Davenant.

The paths of glory lead but to the grave;

—Gray.

What is ambition? 'Tis a glorious cheat.

—Willis.

Only destructive to the brave and great,

—Addison.

What's all the gaudy glitter of a crown?

—Dryden.

The way to bliss lies not on beds of down.

—Francis Quarles.

How long we live, not years, but actions tell;

—Watkins.

That man lives twice who lives the first life well.

—Herrick.

Make, then, while ye may, your God your friend,

—William Mason.

Whom Christians worship, yet not comprehend,

—Hill.

The trust that's given guard, and to yourself be just,

—Dana.

For live we how we may, yet die we must.

—Shakespeare.

—MRS. H. A. DEMING.

NOTE.—Accompanying this is a statement that a year was occupied in searching for and fitting the lines in this remarkable mosaic from English and American poets.

## CONVERSE TEMPERANCE MEETING.

A series of Prohibition meetings were held in Converse beginning Monday night, October 13, 1902, when Rev. Waldo, Pastor of the United Brethren church, spoke on the duties of Christian officers. The other speakers for the week were, Rev. S. W. Traum, pastor of the Christian church; Rev. W. T. Outland, of Amboy, pastor of Friends' church; and Rev. Enos Harvey, of Fairmount, pastor of Friends' church. On Friday night the local W. C. T. U. rendered the following program to an appreciative audience: Scripture reading and prayer by the President, Mrs. Nettie Traum. Favorite Scripture texts given by several present. Reports from the State convention at Huntington by Messrs. Hainlen Babcock and Edward Reading, "Young Woman's Influence in Temperance Work" by Miss Laura G. Cammack. Recitations by Mrs. Mattie Outland, and Mr. Bert Lamb, of Amboy. Solo, Rev. S. W. Traum. Short talks by Rev. Armentrout, pastor of Presbyterian church, and Rev. Parker of Presbyterian church. A stranger present spoke of the work of the W. C. T. U. in the settlement districts in Chicago and the amount of good done by them. Much interest was manifested in Prohibition and W. C. T. U. work, and we believe that good was done.



SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.  
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*Chairman of Organization*—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.

*Organizers and Lecturers*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Indianapolis.  
Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
Mrs. Ada L. Squiers, Terre Haute.  
Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
Miss Ina Coggeshall, Marion.

*L. T. L. Organizer*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, R. R. 1.  
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*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw.

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*School Savings Banks*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*The Press*—Miss Laura Cammack, Converse.  
*Mothers' Meetings and Purity*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Susan F. Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Anti-Narcotics*—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Indianapolis.  
*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
*Temperance and Labor*—Miss Cora Wires, Campbellsburg.  
*Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Florence DeLong, Roanoke.  
*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th street, Indianapolis.  
*Summer Assemblies*—Miss Clara Sears, Anderson.

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Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
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Rev. Hannah Stanley, Economy.  
Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
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*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
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*Jail and Prison*—Mrs. Ellen Davis, Indianapolis.  
*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Helen Sherfey, Brazil.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
*Associate*—Mrs. Daisy D. Shontz, South Bend.  
*Lectures*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, R. R. 1.

## V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Mabel Jefferies, South Bend.  
*State and County Fairs*—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 N. Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

## VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Associate*—Miss Pearl Rall, Huntington.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Police Matron*—Mrs. M. B. Gorsline, Fort Wayne.  
*Petition and Legislation*—Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg.

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

## STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer.  
Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand. Miss Mary Hadley.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Mrs. Sarah Lenfestey.  
Mrs. Cammack-Gibson.

## APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
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Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
Mrs. May Lindley, Bloomington.

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Mrs. Lida Outland. Mrs. E. M. Haughton.  
Mrs. Retta Jones. Mrs. Rose Pearce.  
Mrs. May Lindley. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger.  
Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand.

## LAW AND STATISTICS.

"Knowledge is power." Do you not see at once the great importance and value of our becoming acquainted with our own Indiana State laws on all reform questions handled by our W. C. T. U.? It is recommended that we, as Unions, take up the study, "Abstract of Laws" concerning the "Welfare of every citizen."

Gather up the results of the work of the saloon; count the cost. You will be surprised in the balancing of the accounts as shown in this fine report from Shugart Union, Marion, Ind.:

Name of Local Union, Shugart; County, Grant; name of Local Superintendent, Laura Haines; post-office address, 1339 West 1st st., Marion, Ind. What Literature do you use, MESSAGE; do the Unions of your County make a study of the laws of Indiana which relate to the home, to purity, to child labor, prosperity of women, cigarettes, etc., yes; how many saloons in your County, 144; what is your county license fee, \$100.00; what is your city license, \$250.00; total amount of revenue obtained from license in your county, \$14,750.00; how many violations of law, 847; how many days spent in jail, none; what crimes have been committed for which the liquor traffic is responsible, murder, theft, etc., etc.; cost of prosecution,

\$21,265 97; how many convicts in your jail brought there through drink, 800.

It gives us an outline of the work expected of the Superintendent of this Department. Am indebted to Mrs. Stevenson, Superintendent of Grant County, for many helpful suggestions for a plan of work.

Dear Sisters—This is a very important department of work. We are to be the gleaners for facts and figures which make undisputable arguments in favor of prohibition.

FLORENCE DELONG.

EDITOR MESSAGE—By motion at State Convention held at Huntington, the report of Shugart Union, Marion, Ind., was to be published in the MESSAGE.

The word law is only three letters of the alphabet, but it is simply immense to me.

FLORENCE DELONG.

## STATE CONVENTION ITEMS.

The election of State officers was as follows: President, Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, Fairmount; Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, R. R. No. 1; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mattie C. Gibson, Jonesboro; Treasurer, Miss Alice R. Palmer, Franklin.

Mrs. Lou. Rall, as General Chairman, and her associates on State Convention Committees, planned beautifully and well for the comfort and pleasure of the delegates and visitors.

The welcome in cordial greetings and loving care, as well as beautiful song, bound closer and closer the ties of the White Ribbon sisterhood.

Across the street from the Convention Church was the Jackman Hotel, where all the State Officers, Mrs. Balch and Mrs. McWhirter (Editor) were entertained free by the committee for dinners.

On account of the rain many delegates stopped at the Jackman, where everything possible was done to make them comfortable.

Mrs. Kathryn W. Holler went home from the Convention very ill. For days, anxious, loving friends watched her bedside. At this writing she is improving.

The Press work of Miss Pearl Rall in Huntington means much to our cause. This dear young girl throws her ability and enthusiasm into the W. C. T. U. work, and splendid results follow. This year she is to be an associate in the Franchise department. This seems fitting. Last spring she graduated from the Indianapolis Law College with great credit to herself and her friends.

Mrs. Viola D. Romans, of Ohio, was a guest of the Convention, and made a most able, convincing and beautiful address. A welcome awaits Mrs. Romans whenever she will come again to Indiana.

The mass meeting on Sunday afternoon was one of the best ever held at a State Convention. The music was far superior to what would be possible in many cities. Huntington has some of the finest musical talent in the State, several of whom are genuine White Ribboners, too.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley's address was eloquent. She stirred the people in a wonderful manner. Truly Mrs. Stanley is a brilliant woman on the platform.

Many young faces were in the Convention. The young life is greatly appreciated.

Previous to the election of officers Miss Mary Hadley and Mrs. A. T. Whitson announced that they appreciated the love, loyalty and associations during the past years of service, but that they felt they could no longer serve as State officers. Miss Hadley, as State and National Superintendent of Institutes, finds her hands more than full. Mrs. Whitson is becoming very much absorbed in the efforts to push the great department of Non-Alcoholic Medication. Besides this, Mrs. Whitson has been giving much time and thought to work as a member of the Temperance Committee of the Friends Western Yearly Meeting. These workers have been for years closely allied to the interests of our White Ribbon cause in the official counsels of the Indiana W. C. T. U. For their success we bespeak from their constituency the same loyal, earnest support as has been given them.

## FIRST OF ITS KIND—BILL AGAINST DRUNKENNESS TO BE INTRODUCED IN AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, October 19.—The bill for the purpose of combating drunkenness which is being prepared by the Austrian government is the first measure of its kind in the history of Austria. It is an outcome of the strong pressure of public opinion and the efforts of the temperance party.

It provides for the imprisonment of persons found intoxicated in a public place over a certain number of times within six months, and restricts the sale of bottled spirits, which, it is declared, leads to home drinking, to holders of special licenses. Only one such license is to be granted for every 500 inhabitants.—*Indianapolis Journal*.

"Are you paid anything for swearing?" Eli Perkins once asked a commercial traveler. "No, I do it for nothing." "Well," said the lecturer, "you work cheap. You lay aside your character as a gentleman, inflict pain on your friends, break a commandment, and lose your own soul—and for nothing! You do certainly work cheap—very cheap!"

## PORTLAND.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention was held at Portland, October 17-23, in the splendid Opera House. Lady Henry Somerset was present, and by her magnetic presence and great personality added much to the interest and importance of the Convention. Her strong denunciation of Bishop Potter was in unmistakable language.

Lady Somerset said she had heard that in New York women have begun to frequent the saloons. "I have felt," she said, "the bitterest possible sorrow because of the position assumed on the temperance question by a distinguished Episcopalian Bishop in America, a Bishop of my own church. Over and over again have I tried to think when some of his words have come to me with all the force of a cruel blow.

## FIRST DISCREDITED.

"I could not believe at first that a bishop so honored, who had so long filled a great place in the church of God, could be so blind to the evils of intemperance, so ignorant of the misery it causes."

She then quoted what Bishop Potter said concerning the terribly hard, trying life led by the poor man: "I can not blame him, who evens up, as he says, and introduces a little variety into his life by getting drunk."

"It would be well," said Lady Somerset, with almost passionate earnestness, "if Bishop Potter would go to the homes of some women who wait trembling for footsteps that should be music in her ears, because her husband introduced a little variety into his life and got drunk."

## TEMPERANCE BEFORE POLITICS.

"Why is it that so few people are willing to go into this reform movement? Because they fear to lose some little political social advantages. The community is so bound up that it is hard for a man to come out strongly against intemperance without offending some one, and they remain silent. At the ballot-box men should put up their temperance principles before their political principles. When they do this they will settle a great many evils that now prevail all over the world."

The Indiana party left Indianapolis, October 14, at 6:25 p. m., in a sleeper, for Buffalo, spent a day at Niagara Falls and that evening took a sleeper on to Boston, where a few hours were spent, and then they went to Portland, where the White Ribboners met them. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wilson, of Fairmount, and the following delegates: Mrs. Carrie Jones, Terre Haute; Miss Lucretia Hobart, Gallaudet; Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen; Mrs. Sallie Roberts, Pendleton; Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City; Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill; Mrs. Julia Trish, Warsaw; Mrs. Lou. E. Rall, Huntington. Visitors: Mrs. Anna Palmateer, Terre Haute; Mrs. Helen Sherfey, Mrs. Sherfey jr., Miss Elizabeth Sherfey, Mrs. Sarah Ranney, Mrs. Wilder, Mrs. Kemp, all of Brazil; Mrs. Emma Weatherwax, Bloomfield; Mrs. Dr. McNabb, Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. Sumner, Mooresville; Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, Amboy. Besides these, Mrs. J. W. Pritchett, of Madisonville, Ky., and Mrs. Mary Balch, Louisville, Ky.

The party wore the Indiana badge, and was most congenial.

Rest Cottage continues to be the Mecca of visitors to Chicago and Evanston, one hundred and fifty friends from different States having registered within two weeks. Two visitors were from Bulgaria, Rev. S. J. Shoonkoff, pastor of the Baptist Church in Sophia, Bulgaria, and Miss Amalia Rosenberg, who has come for a course of study in America. Mrs. Davidson, of Ontario, and Miss P. T. Duncan, of Birmingham, England, were interested callers. Miss Wintringer took a party of twenty bright young people from the State L. T. L. convention and they made headquarters ring with their pretty and inspiring songs. Mr. S. Frank, an enthusiastic Prohibitionist from Stephenville, Texas, brought his whole family to visit the home of Frances Willard. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Mann Willard, of Wollaston, Mass., cousins of Miss Willard, also paid a visit to the National Officers.—*Union Signal*.

Miss Willard says, "The W. C. T. U. has done more for women than she can ever do for the world." To thousands and thousands of women with few advantages and opportunities, limited in education, restricted, shut in, the W. C. T. U. has been more than a college course—more than travel, more than wealth. It has opened the eyes of woman's understanding, broadened her horizon, deepened her sympathy for all humanity, quickened her spiritual perception, broken off ecclesiastical fetters, levelled sectarian walls, enlarged her whole being, and opened to her a new earth and a new heaven.—*Exchange*.

## ONE DOOR FOR SALOONS.

Judge Wakefield, of Sioux City, Iowa, declares that "one door" in a saloon means what it says, and that back doors and side doors must be boarded up or bricked in. Hereafter not a saloon in the town will be allowed to have more than one door, and that door must open upon the public street. In this ruling of the court the benefit to the carpenters and brick masons will be the least of the advantages gained.—*Union Signal*.



## CANTEN SOPHISTRY.

Gen. Funston, in his annual report, asserts that legislation against the canteen "has had no effect except to lower the discipline of the army, ruin scores of good soldiers and fill the pockets of a lot of saloon keepers." A canteen-sympathizing paper, in commenting on the foregoing, expresses its conviction that reform should have been begun at home in stamping out the disreputable saloons which the soldier patronizes outside the military reservations. We perfectly agree with our contemporary, affirming emphatically that such an end is the one we have been striving for all along, and we earnestly solicit the co-operation of all like-minded spirits and the press in general. The testimony of such Generals as A. S. Daggett and Nelson A. Miles, showing the demoralizing influence of the canteen, ought to have no small weight with persons seeking enlightenment on this question. If our soldiers cannot live without the canteen, how strong must be the manacles that bind slavish, pernicious habits, and how incompetent must be our officers to maintain army discipline.—*Union Signal*.

## A LETTER.

The following letter from the Hayner Distilling Co., of Dayton, Ohio, was received by a prominent business man, a total abstainer, in one of our Indiana towns:

DEAR SIR: Won't you please tell us why you have never favored us with an order, though we have written you several times soliciting your patronage? If you don't use whisky, either medicinally or otherwise, kindly say so and we will not take up your time with any more letters. If you do use whisky, please be frank enough to tell us why we have not interested you, if you are not willing to fill out and mail us the enclosed card.

We hand you a stamped and addressed envelope for your reply. It will take but a minute or two of your time, and will be a favor which we will greatly appreciate.

A few words more, if you use whisky. Won't you let us ship you a trial order? You don't have to pay a cent, not even a postage stamp, if you are not perfectly satisfied. When you receive the whisky, take several drinks, have your friends sample it, and if the verdict is not in our favor, then send back what is left. We pay the express charges going, and coming back, too, if you don't want to keep the whisky. How could an offer be fairer? It certainly indicates that we have confidence in you and in the satisfying quality of our goods.

We thank you in advance for the courtesy of a reply, even if you will not give us a chance to please you and save you money as we have done with over a quarter of a million people who are now our regular customers.

Yours very truly,  
THE HAYNER DISTILLING CO.,  
Wm. Hayner, Pres't.

## IMPORTANT.

83,350,000 bushels of grain were used last year in the manufacture of alcoholic liquor. This grain, if made into bread instead, would supply every family in the United States with 365 loaves of bread—a loaf every day in the year.

Over 1,175,370,000 gallons of alcoholic liquors were used in our country last year. This would fill a reservoir sixty feet wide, thirty feet deep, and twenty-five miles long, and would float all the navies of the world, from the smallest cutter to the most powerful war ship.

It is stated by the *National Watchman*, that "England has \$91,000,000 invested in breweries in the United States," and that "last year she took out of the country, as beer receipts, \$8,100,000 in gold."

Illinois has more distilleries than any other State in the Union. It pays one-fourth of the total internal revenue collected in the United States on the manufacture of liquors.

## INDIAN TERRITORY.

MOTTO: "An L. T. L. in every town, for our God, our homes and our Territory."

## RALLY CRY.

Indian Territory, L. T. L.  
Hurrah! Hurrah!  
We stand for all things pure and good,  
For noble man and womanhood:  
Prohibition—Home Protection, Peace and Purity.  
Hurrah! Hurrah! Indian Territory.

We are making progress slowly. The sisters have not yet learned to report their work. Several new Legions have been organized this year and we are trying to do what can be done in a territory where you may organize a Legion and find out in a short time it has moved out and left you. Our largest organization is at Muscogee, Mrs. Harsha, leader.

MRS. ELLA HAYNES,  
Territorial Secretary.

This being the first year of our Territorial W. C. T. U., our people are not yet fully awake to the need of temperance work. We have three Legions: Vineta, Muscogee and South McAllister, all of which are doing well. We shall adopt mottoes and rallying cries at our coming State Convention. In March the South McAllister Legion participated in a Street Parade, their float being pronounced second in beauty and effectiveness only to that of the Queen of the Carnival. The boys and girls scattered a large quantity of temperance literature. We are now preparing for our first medal contest LILLIE B. HUNTER,  
L. T. L. Secretary Amanda Richey Union.

## CONVENTIONS.

The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of Wells county was held in the beautiful new Methodist church at Ossian and the attendance was large. A ladies' quartette composed of Mesdames L. C. Davenport, L. C. Bender, J. J. Baumgardner and H. A. Welker, and Miss Mary Staver, as pianist, accompanied the ladies from Bluffton and rendered some very excellent music at all sessions of the day.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Goodin; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Ellingham; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Serepta Worley, and Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Krewson.

The lecture in the evening was given by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Richmond, who held her audience spell bound and filled them with enthusiasm. The collection was large and everyone pronounced the day and evening well spent in the service of Christ for "God and Home and Humanity."

Last evening Mrs. Stanley was taken to the home of Mrs. Henry French, near Kreps, where a parlor meeting was held. The church at Salem would have been packed to have heard her, but owing to the rain continually pouring, the meeting was private. Mrs. Stanley is a lecturer of much ability.

At Middlebury the gold medal contest, the closing feature of the sixteenth annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of Elkhart County, occurred at the Methodist church, being won by Miss Clara Whiteman, of Nappanee. The other participants were the Misses Pansy Kantz, of Nappanee; Joy Bechtel, of Goshen; and Othny Van Dorsen, Ethel Murray and Fern Diley, of Middlebury. Mrs. Aldrich, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Messrs. H. O. Eldridge and A. F. Yoder, of Middlebury, were the judges. The Misses Callie Wertz and Pearl Deal, the Elkhart contestants who were to participate, were not present. The funeral of Miss Deal's grandfather, John C. Evans, occurred that day. All contestants did splendidly and some difficulty was experienced in awarding the medal, so close was the contest. Miss Whiteman is now eligible to compete for the great gold medal contest. Mrs. M. A. Thompson, of Elkhart, presided over the meeting. The orations were interspersed with instrumental numbers. The attendance was large. The next convention in Goshen. The County W. C. T. U. convention in session at the Methodist church Thursday and Friday was a success in every way. The next annual session will occur in Goshen in September, 1903. Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. A. P. Daub, Goshen; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Laura A. Phoenix, Middlebury; Recording Secretary, Miss Madge Work, Elkhart; Treasurer, Mrs. Charles E. Kauffman, Middlebury. The Press Superintendent's report showed that during the past year 250 feet, which is equivalent to 150 columns of the length of the News-Times' columns, were given by the newspapers of the County to the W. C. T. U. reports of meetings and contributions.—*Goshen News*.

Blackford County Convention met in the M. E. Church at Millgrove. The President, Mrs. Stahl, presided. Mrs. Albright led the devotional exercises. The Secretary being absent, Mrs. Willis was appointed secretary pro tem. A round-table talk on W. C. T. U. work was participated in by Mesdames Hall, Schull, Emshwiller, Stahl, Brown and Glover, each of whom gave spicy little talks in different departments. The annual address of the President was able, interesting, entertaining and instructive, followed by the noontide prayer service. The afternoon session was opened by devotional exercises by Mesdames Shull and Miller, of Montpelier. Bro. Wood, an honorary member, was introduced and gave an interesting talk. Mrs. Glover read a very interesting paper, giving many instances of the work of the "Crusade," and spoke of a time when there was not a saloon in Blackford county. The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. Willis, President; Mrs. Lanning, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Bugh, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Emshwiller, Treasurer; Mrs. Cox, Secretary of Y's, and Mrs. Shull, Secretary of L. T. L. The afternoon session closed with the reports of the local presidents and county officers. The resignation of Mrs. Stahl came as a surprise to the Convention, and many were the expressions of regret on the part of members, feeling, as they do, that her place cannot be filled, and as a very small token of their appreciation of her labors and the esteem in which she is held by her co-laborers she was made a present of a nice sum of money to help defray expenses to the National Convention.

The evening session was opened by music and devotional exercises conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Albright. Miss Lena Lanning sang a beautiful solo, entitled, "Don't Drink, my Boy, To-night!" Then came the Matrons' Contest, by Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Bugh and Mrs. Hall. Mrs. Cox was awarded the medal, which was presented by Mrs. Laning in a happy little speech. While the judges were making their decision, Mrs. Shull, by request, gave the recitation which won her the medal at the Spring Institute. Several little boys and girls sang, very beautifully, a song entitled, "We'll Vote the Traffic Down," which was warmly applauded. Thus closed another encouraging and successful convention.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Noble County W. C. T. U. was held in the Methodist Church in Albion, October 8-9, and a very entertaining meeting was enjoyed by all. Our attendance was good, and the White Ribbon Sisters still ready to press onward in this great struggle for mankind. God help the pa-

tient women, all over the world! The first evening the audience was favored with an address on "Our National Sin," by Miss Sears, of Anderson, which was appreciated; and the second evening an L. T. L. Oratorical and Musical Contest, two beautiful silver L. T. L. Medals being awarded the successful contestants. The old officers were re-elected by acclamation, viz: President, Mrs. Nora Nowells, Millersburg, Ind.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Addie B. Seymoure, Wawaka, Ind.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Gorrell, LaOtto, Ind.; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora Clapp, Albion, Ind.

## FIELD NOTES.

Pt. Isabel W. C. T. U., in session September 27, 1902, tendered a vote of sympathy to our brother, G. W. McManaman, in the bereavement of his beloved wife. She was a member of our Union whom we mourn as counselor and peacemaker, whose place is vacant and none can fill. The life of Emma McManaman is a story of humble good doing, being faithful, pure, steadfast, beautiful. Her life was an example. She lived the life beautiful and died the death saintly. She sleeps beneath the flowers, the fairest of them all.

Indianapolis—Frances E. Willard Union elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. A. B. Leck; Vice-President, Mrs. G. M. Smith, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dotia Daugherty; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ella Rose; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Shad; Press, Dotia Daugherty.

Bridgeport Union held a very interesting meeting on the evening of October 7. The program consisted of papers, which had been written and read at various meetings during the year, with a few recitations and good music interspersed. Our Union has just closed its year's program, and by giving this meeting, we showed to the public what we have been doing. Six papers were read on subjects which interested the public as well as the members of the Union. We obtained some help from outside in the music and recitations, and thus interested the children and young people of our community in the meeting. A good audience greeted us and we felt that our year's program had not only been a blessing to us, but a help to our community as well.

Jonesboro's President attended the State Convention and became very much interested in the young people's work. The first thing she did when she went home was to begin a Y. Eight members have promised, and as soon as ten are pledged, Jonesboro will have a Y. branch.

Lake County held its fall convention at Crown Point in September. Miss Alice Palmer was leader, and the convention was an enjoyable one. Mrs. E. H. Mudge, of Hammond, was elected President, and Miss Jennie Ault, of Sewell, is the new Corresponding Secretary. This county is not largely organized, but there are earnest, loyal women in the ranks and the Lord of Hosts is with them.

Hammond Union held its annual meeting in the Congregational church. Reports were given and officers elected as follows: President, Mrs. E. H. Mudge; First Vice-President, Mrs. E. R. Williams; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Edith Miller; Treasurer, Mr. P. A. Newman. The departments of Evangelistic, Sabbath Observance, Mother's Meeting, Purity, Franchise, Christian Citizenship and Press were duplicated and Superintendents appointed. Light refreshments and a social hour were enjoyed by all.

Bluffton Union—Officers: President, Elizabeth Ellingham; Vice-President, Mrs. Dr. Goodin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. T. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Manson Reiff; Treasurer, Mrs. William Angel.

The Camden W. C. T. U. presented a life size picture of Miss Willard to their High School. Nothing more appropriate or beautiful could be given to a College or High School.

Mrs. Jennie Ridgeway, of Miami County, has accomplished much in contest work this past year. She held ten silver, eight gold, three grand gold and one diamond medal contests. Some splendid young men have been identified with her classes.

Union County Convention was held at College Corner. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah Harvey; Secretary, Mrs. H. F. Hanna; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Miller. County Superintendents of Departments—Juvenile, Miss Grace Applegate, College Corner; Evangelistic, Mrs. Lucy Benedict, Liberty; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. E. E. Martin, Liberty; Flower Mission, Mrs. Sarah Harvey, College Corner; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Frank Hawley, College Corner; Purity and Contest, Miss Sallie Osborn, College Corner; Suffrage, Mrs. Lila Laird, College Corner; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Applegate, College Corner; Literature and Press, Mrs. Mary Draper, Liberty; Peace, Arbitration and Mercy, Mrs. H. L. Bake, College Corner. Mrs. Stanley's lecture was fine in evening.

## IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. EMMA McMANAMAN—In the death of Mrs. Emma McManaman, of the vicinity of Pt. Isabel, a noble, kind husband has a broken home circle and mourns the loss of a loving wife. The Pt. Isabel W. C. T. U. has lost a much loved and esteemed member also a valiant, earnest, faithful Press Superintendent. The funeral services were Saturday afternoon, Aug. 30, in the M. E. Church. Pt. Isabel in charge of Rev. Homer Ellis. Many floral offerings and white ribbon bows adorned the church. Sleep on, dear sister and take your rest; such as you the Lord has blest.



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## THE HALL-HADLEY WEDDING.

Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, and Miss Mary Hadley, of Bloomingdale, were married on November 6th, at high noon, in the old historic Friends' Church at Bloomingdale.

The church was beautifully decorated in green and white. The green foliage and plants, with the white flowers and white ribbon, made an effective decoration.

Just as the hands of the clock pointed to 12, Mrs. Jessup began to play Lohengrin's "Wedding March." From the east door came Dr. Chas. R. Hudson, the minister, and Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, followed by Dr. Hall and Miss Hadley. They marched slowly to the center of the platform, in front of a bank of plants and flowers. Mrs. McWhirter stopped and Dr. Hudson stepped on a short distance, leaving room for Dr. Hall and Miss Hadley to stand between. Mrs. McWhirter offered prayer. The marriage ceremony by Dr. Hudson, which was beautiful and most impressive, was closed with an appropriate prayer. While the music continued, the bridal party marched on across the platform and out of the west door.

The reception which followed, at the home of Mr and Mrs. Harlan D. Newlin, was largely attended. On account of the claims of the public upon these two persons, whose lives have been so closely allied to the Temperance Reform and the broadest philanthropy of our day, no formal invitations were sent out, but a general invitation extended to all friends.

At an early hour in the morning the people began to come in buggies and carriages from all parts of Parke County. The trains also brought many people. The Indianapolis train brought almost a coach full of friends.

The church is very large, and was filled with interested, admiring relatives and friends, many hundreds being present. The presence of this large company and of the beautiful and costly gifts was evidence of the love and esteem borne these two people.

Among those who came from a distance were Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Masters, Muncie, Ind.; Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart, Ind.; Mrs. Margaret Ross, Wabash, Ind.; Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Hill, Logansport, Ind.; Mr. H. Maxwell Hall, Lexington, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Whitson, Indianapolis, Ind.; Prof. and Mrs. F. T. McWhirter, Greencastle, Ind.; Mr. Dan Carter, Rosedale, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. James Elder, Marshall, Ind.

Dr. and Mrs. Hall left on an afternoon train for points in the East, where they will remain for some time. They will reside at Franklin.

Dr. Hall is a leading Prohibition worker of the central West. He was State chairman of the party from 1892 to 1898 and also in 1900. In the last Presidential campaign Indiana made a larger gain than any other State. Dr. Hall originated the now famous "Indiana plan" in 1898. He is a prominent member of the medical profession, and for the past ten years of his practice he has prescribed no alcohol whatever, notwithstanding his extensive field of work. He is regarded as an authority upon non-alcoholic medication, having written and spoken much on the subject, and having been for the past five years chairman of the standing committee on Inebriety in the Indiana State Medical Society, which position he now holds.

Mrs. Hall has been Vice-President of the Indiana W. C. T. U. for nine years, and was for some time a member of the executive committee of the Prohibition party. She is at present the National Superintendent of the W. C. T. U. Institutes. An earnest member of the Friends' Church, Mrs. Hall is also widely known as an authoress and poetess of much ability.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Hall expect to devote themselves more than ever to Prohibition work in future. Mrs. Hall was a member of the State Central Committee that perfected the plan for our dear little MESSAGE. In the first issue her Editorial was one of the main features. From the very first Mrs. Hall has been identified with the closest interest of the MESSAGE. We feel sure that we express the sentiments of friends in this and many States when we say that we wish them joy, happiness and prosperity.

## PRESIDENT WILSON WRITES.

DEAR SISTERS AND CO-WORKERS:—My time was so fully occupied in preparing for, and attending conventions, that I did not get my letter of greeting in the November MESSAGE, but the paper was not lacking in good suggestions and helpful hints for that reason.

Our State Convention was one of great profit to me. The reports of Officers and Superintendents were never better; familiar faces were on the platform and in the county delegations also. To meet the dear workers with whom I have been associated for years at our annual meetings gives me not only great pleasure but enthusiasm, and a determination to try very hard to serve better in the future. A very hopeful feature of our work was manifested by the presence of so many young women, both at our State and National Conventions,

and I will take this opportunity to thank you, every one, for helping to make it possible for me to attend the great conventions at Portland, the best I have ever attended. The privilege of seeing and hearing the world's W. C. T. U. President, as well as many other distinguished guests was greatly appreciated by me, and the love I have always had for our own National President, Mrs. Stevens, is intensified. Not only her great executive ability, but also her sweet spirit of love and justice to everyone, and finding out the timid ones and giving them a word of encouragement is one of her noble characteristics other Presidents would do well to imitate.

I talked with both Miss Brehm, President of Illinois, and Mrs. Clark of Ohio, whose states had made large gains in membership to find out their plans for gaining new members and keeping them. No new methods were given, however, but persistent effort along lines already tried will no doubt give good results in the future. While encouraging numbers were reported, I believe our growth in the estimation of the people as an organization for good is encouraging. Even the Liquor Dealers' Associations are not saying so many unkind and foolish things about us, but some of their latest utterances are conclusive to me that they are watching "The little cloud rising out of the sea" to a few not so "large as a man's hand," but to them containing the element of a coming deluge. In my range of vision indications are hopeful for a prosperous year in our State. I know your officers are willing to serve and be helpful. Superintendents are making and sending out their plans to County and Local workers. Unions are planning new and profitable programs for the coming year in harmony with State plan of work.

A knowledge that the saloon cannot live without the ruin of somebody's children is a sufficient reason to me why we should give our best to our great work for God and home and native land.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

P. S. I have not changed my location, but now receive my mail from Jonesboro, Route 16. Please remember.



MRS. ELIZABETH STANLEY,  
Newly Elected Vice-President of Indiana W. C. T. U.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

We are to work together another year in this blessed Temperance work, to lift the standard higher for true womanhood and noble manhood. I do plead with those who are already members not to be satisfied with the few, but to reach out—each one secure at least a new member by not later than the 15th of March.

Our dues are at last settled upon: 40 cents to be paid when the girl gives her name for membership; in three months 30 cents per member is to be paid by the Union, and in the next three months 30 cents—then in six months the \$1.00 is paid. Some girls said they are going to earn the extra 30c per month by selling cookies or doing some kind of work. We can, girls, and let us prove ourselves to be Y. W. C. T. U. women.

Now, what shall I say to the dear, precious ones who made me a life member of the W. C. T. U.? It was so sudden, and such a surprise to me at the time, that I felt myself falling and was obliged to sit down. Dear co-workers, to say I thank you is putting it in a

very mild form. May God's richest blessings rest upon all! Another beautiful surprise followed when the \$25.00 was voted to me for organization on motion of Mrs. Whitson in the Central Conference meeting and sent to me. Now I give warning: There are places I can visit where I am sure I can have a Y. W. C. T. U., so you see we start out with bright prospects this year.

Modoc Y. W. C. T. U. received the State Banner this year. Now, who will work for it for next year? Let each Union try.

Bedford Y. members who are interested in temperance work have joined the W. C. T. U.; also those of the Martinsville Y. We must have new Y.'s to take the old ones' places. We hope to have a splendid Y. at Huntington. It was our privilege to return and hear Mrs. Lou Rall's report of the National Convention. She really only began, and the ladies have a treat in store for them when time can be secured for Mrs. Rall to finish. I talked that evening for a Y., and have left it in Mrs. Rall's hands.

Your Y. Secretary goes to Martin County the 22d of November, for World's Temperance Sunday at Loogootee, to give them one week's work, with the exception of the time spent at Shoals at the County Teachers' Institute, where Scientific Temperance Laws and Impurity in the Public Schools are to be presented, returning home December 1.

If there are any Unions which have not received the new State Y. Programs, will you please drop the State Secretary a card and they will be forwarded by return mail.

Now, girls! More prayer this year, and greater faith in our Heavenly Father! More personal work, inviting those who do not belong to our Y. meetings, and let our Motto for this year be: "1,000 membership for Indiana Y."

Two of the Anderson Y. members were married on the 19th of October—Mr. Walter Jones and Miss Nellie Levy. Holiday times takes another faithful worker; Miss Effie Wilhot unites her life with Mr. Melvin Janeson.

Lovingly, yours to serve,  
CLARA M. SEARS.

## W. C. T. U. NATIONAL CONVENTION.

As I begin the report of the National Convention, which is at this writing in session in Portland, Maine, I am sitting where I can look out over the broad Atlantic. The Indiana delegates, together with about one hundred and fifty delegates from other interior states, are being entertained at the Cliff House, which is a large summer hotel situated where it commands a view of the ocean and the bay. In the bay can be seen vessels from many ports, and distant islands add fairy-like touch to the view. The beach, which is so full of interest to most of us, is but a moment's walk from the hotel.

The convention is pronounced one of the greatest we have ever had. Delegates are here from all parts of the country, many having crossed the continent. Representatives from England, France, Armenia, the Philippines and South Africa have come, bringing glad tidings of the onward march of our blessed cause in other lands.

The meetings are held in the Jefferson Theater. The entire lower floor is occupied by the delegates, and every seat in the boxes and the two great galleries has been sold and is occupied by interested visitors. The aisles are kept clear, but many persons stand at the rear and hundreds are turned away. The decorations suggest the "Pine Tree State," for the galleries are festooned with great strands of ground pine and pine cones, gathered and prepared by the Y's of Maine. Branches of gorgeous autumn foliage and a profusion of Chrysanthemums make the parlor scene on the stage a thing of beauty. Our banners, beautiful as works of art and in the thought they express, add character to the scene which greets us. Doubtless the theater presents a strange appearance to regular theater goers. Each night there shines from the top of the building in letters of fire the letters "W. C. T. U." Citizens pronounce it the greatest convention this city has ever known. The business sessions are carried on in the masterful way which characterizes the national conventions of the W. C. T. U., and our beloved president, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, has won for herself, if possible, even greater admiration and love. At this convention she has been fittingly called "Our good queen Lillian." Her annual address, which was the document of a statesman, was full of items of encouragement, showing that the past year has been one of many victories, and that the future has many signs of promise. Among our own ranks there is great cause for rejoicing. Nearly every state in the union has made a gain in membership, Illinois being in the lead with a net gain of 1770. The general officers were all re-elected, only a small scattering vote being cast against any of them. The matter

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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

OFFICERS, 1902-1903.

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BRANCH SECRETARIES.  
General Secretary Young Woman's Branch—Miss Clara M. Sears, 222 West 14th street, Anderson.  
General Secretary L. T. L. Branch—Mrs. Ida Mix, Kokomo.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT—PLEDGING.

In some towns the laxity of law enforcement is so great that some petitions or remonstrances would have a tendency to awaken some Fathers to the enormity of this saloon business.

Agitation is as necessary this winter for the W. C. T. Unions as are the new recruits to keep the saloons thriving.

Your Unions should get down to definite planning for some kind of a campaign in your community, and that right speedily. Now is the time.

The educational work of the W. C. T. U. can not be estimated. The results are woven into the warp and woof of all our temperance laws and much of the advance temperance sentiment of all countries.

We find some of our lines of work being embodied in the programs of other organizations. This greatly rejoices us. The departments which particularly strike at the root of the Liquor power are still left for us to work. Let us do it with a will. Decide right now to do all that you can. In this instance the you means 5,000 subscribers besides others in the families who read these lines. Resolve just now that whatever you can do to help break King Alcohol's rule will be done. No! You cannot vote; but if you did, your ballot would not be like a saloon-keeper's ballot—it would be entirely different; of that I am sure. You can pray, you can sing, you can urge that "some thing be done" and help to do it. While others are getting ready you can hold a Medal Contest. You can sell some of the tickets, but you can get the boys and girls to sell more while you secure a quartet or chorus to sing real Temperance songs—not love songs or lullabys. You can have much advertising done, and tell the boys and girls to invite everybody. You can ask the Press Superintendent to write up the contest to be, and afterwards the contest that was. Her audience will be larger than yours, but not so responsive.

Every union, so far as possible, should hold a series of Temperance meetings, secure good speakers for several days or a week if possible. Get such speakers as will arouse the people. Have pledges printed and enter into a "pledge signing campaign." Few of the present high school generation have ever been asked to sign the Total Abstinence pledge. It helps them and should be done.

To secure pledges from an audience it is sometimes well to buy several dozen lead pencils and cut them into three or four pieces, sharpen each piece and with a rubber band fasten a "little" lead pencil to each pledge card—distribute these through the audience, after some one recites an appropriate selection or some one talks, have these gathered up. The pencils, of course, will always if used be replaced upon the card. Thus they may be used many times. Another practical use of the pledge card is to have printed the following upon the reverse side, in this way making cards and pencils serve double purpose:

I hereby agree to contribute \$.....to the W. C. T. U. of .....to be paid within thirty days.

Our cause needs money and many people will pledge and pay a dollar toward its work if given opportunity.

Try in some way to arouse the people of your community to action against the license saloons.

It will be well for our Indiana Unions to become familiar with the laws, State and National, which pertain to women and the liquor business.

Colorado W. C. T. Unions have drills upon State laws at evening meetings where gentlemen are present. This is an excellent plan, and should be tried by our Unions.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CONFERENCE AT PORTLAND, ME.

L. T. L. sunset hour observed. At first meeting a number of visitors and workers introduced. Mrs. Harvey, of Old Orchard, Maine, reported an Animal Zoo held by her Legion having trained cats, dogs and rabbits, etc., to raise money to pay dues. Motion passed that we urge the payment of dues from both pledged and enrolled members; fees from all pledged members to be sent to State and National W. C. T. U. Treasurer through regular channels. Children may secure honorary members for L. T. L. and keep one fee out of five.

L. T. L. leaders should study for variety in teaching the lessons. Following program suggested: First meeting in month, Reception of Members; Second, Special Program; Third, Band of Mercy; Fourth, Address by some prominent worker.

Pennsylvania paid \$100.00 National dues this year; New York, \$72.70; New Jersey, \$31.00; Massachusetts, \$38.25; Mississippi, \$22.70; Ohio, \$18.16, and Indiana \$15.37.

Where only two meetings can be held in a month, leaders are advised to hold the two Junior meetings, and have Parlor meetings for the Seniors of an evening. Senior L. T. L. boys and girls may be appointed District or County L. T. L. Organizers, under direction of the State General Secretary.

Miss Wintringer and others spoke of the harmony between the Senior L. T. L.'s and the Y.'s.

Wisconsin has Parlor or Neighborhood L. T. L.'s where church or hall is not convenient.

Mary C. Only told of the adult Diploma classes of Rhode Island and Miss Guernsey of the adult classes in New York.

In presenting prize banners for social meetings and red letter days, proportional basis shall be used in future, with 25 meetings as the minimum number, the proportion to be the ratio between the number of Legions in the State and the total number of meetings held.

Miss Blanchard, of California, who has for twenty years been an L. T. L. leader, was introduced, and told of one W. C. T. U. in Los Angeles that has five Legions under its care.

L. T. L. Diplomas and Seal course explained.

Mrs. Rice urged the pushing of Junior study for certificates, and announced that examination questions are now in the hands of Mrs. Straw, of Indiana, for the Juniors.

A committee was appointed to look up errors in L. T. L. Manuals and ask the W. T. P. A. to revise them or insert corrections.

Miss Anna Robins, former chief nurse of the U. S. Hospital at Manila, was introduced, and spoke of the needs in the Manila Mission field; when sending literature send bright stories and illustrated magazines, as the natives cannot read much in our language and must be educated by the eye. She spoke, also, of the need of ready drawn charts, and advised that all matter be sent by mail.

Miss Wintringer told of Miss Robins' excellent work as a lecturer on Manila and of how she had helped local Unions who had engaged her.

Mrs. Rice spoke of the important work among Children's Homes and institutions, and emphasized the advantage of getting Senior and Junior Legions organized in these places. This was made a special recommendation for the coming year.

Motion carried that Temperance programs be prepared for Epworth League and Christian Endeavor societies.

Miss Guernsey explained the Leaflet Brigade and Mrs. Rice strongly recommended this method of work. South Dakota Legions distribute Anti-profan and Anti-cigarette literature.

A vote of thanks was sent to Mrs. Jewett for the excellent L. T. L. number of the *Union Signal*.

Telegram of greeting sent to Mrs. Blair, National Organizer.

A committee was appointed to have the name of L. T. L. copyrighted.

Senior Legions should be urged to study W. C. T. U. Annual Leaflet, and both Seniors and Juniors encouraged to the study of birds.

Mrs. Rice said never before had there been held such successful L. T. L. Conferences as during this Convention—never were the members at Convention so faithful to attend the Conferences.

Motion prevailed that no State L. T. L. Secretary or National Organizer shall have another State Department.

Moved and carried that all pledged members of both Junior and Senior be urged to wear the White Ribbon, either alone or in connection with the L. T. L. badge.

Mrs. Preston, of Pennsylvania, showed her State Honor Roll, with fifty Legions; that every member has paid 16 cents annual dues. Her State has the banner again for red-letter days and social meetings.

Mrs. Thatcher will give a banner or flag for the greatest number of Comfort Bags.

Mr. Burns, ex President of Pennsylvania State L. T. L., who served as leader seven years, was introduced. He said a Southern brewer offered \$1,000 to any young man who would write the best paper on "Personal Liberty and Drinking Beer"; said a large placard in Boston saloon window reads—"Our prohibitory laws are as stupid as they are ineffective." Advised the term post graduate courses instead of seal courses.

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of the *Union Signal* was left in the hands of the general officers, with power to make satisfactory terms with the publishers, buy the paper, or issue an official organ of our own. It is a matter of regret that space will not permit a detailed recital of the night sessions of the convention, so full of enthusiasm and which brought out the wit and wisdom of our talented and noble leaders. The demonstration by our national superintendent was particularly fine. The large stage with commodious wings on either side gave opportunity for a demonstration such as we have never had before. It was on the order of a trades parade. One by one the superintendents came before the audience and in some novel way illustrated the work of her department. Hundreds took part, including children, young ladies and gentlemen, soldiers, sailors, conductors, news and messenger boys, doctors, nurses, foreigners, Indians, Negroes, and even a pony and cart. The various groups either left the stage or were artistically grouped at the rear. The practicability and scope of each department as thus presented was a revelation not only to our visitors but to many within our ranks.

One of the eventful things of the convention was the presence of Lady Henry Somerset, president of the World's W. C. T. U. When she was first presented she was greeted by the waving of flags, each delegate having been provided with a little flag for that purpose. She made several short addresses and spoke to a great crowd on Sabbath evening. The presence of this noble woman, who has done so much for the betterment of humanity and who is especially endeared to us because of the close friendship which existed between her and our departed leader, was a great pleasure and inspiration to us.

On platform night sheriff Dunn, who is filling the unexpired term of the famous sheriff of Cumberland County, Mr. Pearson, gave us an address in which he told us of the work in this county, and of the success of prohibition throughout the State of Maine. He very kindly had the novel devices used by men who tried to evade the law, and which were seized by Sheriff Pearson or himself, placed on exhibit at the theater. During our stay in this city we have not seen a saloon, or an intoxicated man, or anything that suggested the sale of liquor. Prohibition may not absolutely prevent the sale of liquor, but it so far minimizes the evil that it ought to be the aim of every man and woman opposed to intemperance.

A pretty part of the program on the last night of the convention was a handkerchief shower, when each state represented presented our president with a linen handkerchief. There is much more to tell, and possibly I can have space for it next month. We who have had the help and inspiration of this convention have thought of our beloved comrades at home and have wished that each one might share it all with us.

Lovingly your co-worker,

HATTIE W. BRAND.

## BLANKET REPORT BLANKS ABANDONED.

For several years a blanket report blank, covering all the Departments, has been sent out semi-annually or quarterly to the corresponding secretary of each Union in the State. The plan was carefully discussed at the State Convention, and it was the unanimous desire of the State Superintendents that it be dropped. The reasons were that the number of reports returned did not warrant the heavy expense of postage incurred to the State in sending them out: better results were obtained by the Superintendents who corresponded directly with their Superintendents, and the plan of sending one report to the State Superintendent and another to the County Superintendent was not clearly understood, so that it caused confusion and some dissatisfaction.

This year the State will furnish each State Superintendent with one thousand local superintendents' report blanks, and she will send them to her County Superintendents, in organized counties, and to Local Superintendents in unorganized counties. Local Superintendents will report to County Superintendents according to the established plan of County organization work, unless there is no County Superintendent, in which case Locals will report direct to the State.

The State Corresponding Secretary is preparing a list of all the County and Local Superintendents in the State, and will furnish each State Superintendent with a list of her County and Local Superintendents, so that she may get into direct communication with her co-workers and not waste postage and energy by sending blanks and communications where her department is not represented. Any change always causes a little confusion at first, so we will all need to be patient and "keep sweet" until the wheels go round all right.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Another year is before us. What shall the harvest be? Let each one of us sow such seed that as it shall grow and develop the harvest will bring a blessing to our own souls and be helpful to humanity. I am glad for the aroused interest on our line of work. I have already received letters asking for plans. I have waited my reply except as I have answered individually until I could see the National Superintendent at Portland, Maine, hoping to get some new plans to give to you, but after a personal talk with her all I got was "Push the work as never before." If I say



that to you will that be sufficient? I know not. I hope every Superintendent will feel the importance of her department, and as she comes in contact with the mothers, she will help them to feel the importance of starting a young life right. Start on sound principles, and the work will deepen and widen with you as it has with others. The blessing and responsibility of motherhood cannot fail to touch hearts when properly presented. Be informed yourselves, be supplied with good literature. Get all our women to read, think and talk. We must not be unremindful of the fact that the child's education has made rapid progress from the hour of its birth. Ah, more than that, that children now are framing the character of unborn generations, that the child has received more education in the first six years of its life, than it will in any subsequent six years. To revolutionize society we have but to make parents into competent and conscientious teachers of children. What would be the outlook for humanity if every child was from this time on to be brought from infancy under the sweetest and holiest influences? Sisters, let us watch for opportunities, pray for grace to bring the truth before the people that what we say and do in the sight and hearing of the child is of more direct importance in framing his character than all of his schooling. If all parents believed that, would they not guard their words, govern their tempers, correct their conduct? I know of no other way at present than to get the mothers pledged to the purposes of the white ribbon cradle roll. Apply to me for pledge cards, 10 for 10c. or fifty for 25c. I again offer a prize to the Superintendent who will enroll the most children. Enrollment determined by the amount of dues sent in, also a prize to the Superintendent who holds the most Mothers' Meetings. Start a circulating library, with such books as Dr. Mary Wood Allen offers or "What A Young Wife Ought To Know," "What A Young Girl Ought To Know," "What A Young Woman Ought To Know," "What A Woman Of Forty five Ought To Know." All of the above books can be gotten from the Wood-Allen Publishing Co., Ann Arbor, Michigan. The same class of books for boys and men, by Sylvanus Stall. Price, \$1.00 per copy. I want to be helpful in any way I can.

MRS. S. M. STAHL,  
State Superintendent.

#### DEAR PRESS SUPERINTENDENTS.

How glad I would be if I could talk to each one of you and tell you of my appreciation of your loyalty and splendid work during the past year, and plan for the new year. We all recognize the great importance of using the Press and using it all the time, ask for and keep up a column in your daily and weekly papers.

Advertise your meetings well, report them in an interesting and attractive manner. Let the people know what you are doing, keep the work before the public, for in that way we can educate the masses and win them for our blessed cause.

Splendid reports came to me from several counties of good work done last year. Grant county took the lead in Press work, and I trust that many other counties will try this year to do as much if not more than Grant county. We all know that Grant county has been a leading county and had you thought of the cause? Do they not attribute much of the success to the Press work? To be sure it has played an important part. Let me say to other counties, "Go thou and do likewise." To County Superintendents I would say in answer to certain inquiries which have come to me, see to it that there is a Press Superintendent in each Local Union in your county, and be sure that every paper is supplied with the W. C. T. U. news. See that the Superintendents are energetic, capable women, urge them to keep abreast of the Temperance movement, to give our side of local conditions, local news, state news and occasionally some item of national interest.

About the clipping of articles, etc., I will write another time. Put forth every effort to get the articles and reports in the papers, for the people will read them, and in that way many people will know of your work who would not know of it in any other way.

So many Superintendents reported at the close of last year that the general work of their unions had been helped by the Press work. Sisters, it will wonderfully help and strengthen your work. Be diligent, kind, wise and ever on the alert, doing something for our blessed cause. God bless you one and all.

LAURA GENEVA CAMMAK.

#### HADLEY SCHOOL.

Have spent a week in the Home since my return from the National Convention held in Portland.

If anything would inspire one to work, would be the attendance of such a grand Convention as this was. All seemed lost to self and self interest, so I returned to the scene of so much care and anxiety with fresh vigor for work. But alas! One must have something to work with!

We had an open day at school the 8th. The day was fine, the dinner excellent and the attendance fair. We hoped our treasury would be reimbursed to the extent that we could at once order our winter coal, but such was not the case. So we appeal to the Unions to begin the Contest work as soon as possible.

An ex-State Senator attended one of our Contests, and at the close said to me: "Take your girls before large audiences and let them make such speeches as they have to-day, and you will not lack for funds."

This will apply to Contests held over the State.

These Contests are educational to the audiences, developing to the speakers and remunerative to the Unions. Let us have plenty of them during the coming winter months.

LUCRETIA HOBART.

#### MINUTES OF STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Central Committee met in English's Hotel, October 31, 1902, 4 p. m.

In Mrs. Wilson's absence, Miss Mary Hadley presided.

Prayer by Mattie Cammack-Gibson.

Moved by Mrs. Whitson that the State paper be put out by the mailing machine. Motion prevailed.

By motion the \$25.00 turned into the State Treasury by Miss Sears' life membership was directed sent to the "Y" Secretary, to be used in that branch.

Moved by Mattie Cammack-Gibson that Miss Pearl Rall be given a full vote as Superintendent of Franchise, Mrs. Tompkins having resigned. The Recording Secretary had previously secured a majority of the vote. Motion prevailed.

Mrs. Tompkins was made Lecturer for this Department.

The necessary supplies in the way of stationery, with names of Central Committee omitted.

The Resolutions committee was appointed, as follows: Miss Rose Pearce, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Mrs. L. D. B. Cowan, Miss Lavinia Baily, Miss Culla Vayhinger.

Moved by Mrs. Whitson that we urge County Presidents and others to send in short, fresh, spicy articles for our columns in the *Phalanx*. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson that Mrs. McWhirter be continued as Editor of the MESSAGE and also our columns in the *Phalanx*. Carried.

The Committee directed the Annual Reports sold for 15c. each, if State paid the postage, and 10c. if sent by express, Unions paying cost of carriage.

Committee rose.

MATTIE CAMMAK GIBSON,  
Secretary.

Gambling Devices valued at \$4,000 were destroyed by the police of Richmond, Va., October 3. The huge bonfire near the City Hall attracted many spectators.

#### CONVENTIONS.

**St. Joseph County**—On account of the illness of our dear Mrs. Holler, our County Convention was not held until October 24. The St. Joseph County W. C. T. U. Convention was held in the parlors of Mrs. Carrie Warner, 213 South Franklin street, South Bend, Ind. Mrs. Holler was re-elected, but on account of ill health she tendered her resignation a week later, and the County Executive Committee was called and Mrs. Daisy D. Shontz elected to take her place. I am so sorry she is ill, and so sorry, too, that she will not be able to serve as County President, for she has been so faithful and has W. C. T. U. work upon her heart. I take the office very reluctantly. I do not want to be less faithful than she, but I fear I shall not be able to devote my time to the work as she has. I thought you would like a report of our Convention for the MESSAGE. We appointed our Superintendent. The following are the names of officers for County: Daisy D. Shontz, President, 1201 West Washington street, South Bend, Ind.; Miss Mabel Jeffries, Corresponding and Recording Secretary, corner Oak and Cushing streets, South Bend; Miss Ada Barnard, Treasurer, 613 South Fellows street, South Bend. The Superintendents appointed were as follows: Y. Secretary, Mrs. Cora Eckert, Mishawaka; Flower Mission, Mrs. M. G. Huey, Rural Route, South Bend; Sunday School, Mrs. J. Sharples, South Bend; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. A. Axtell, South Bend; Medal Contest, Mrs. Berry, and Mrs. Barker, Assistant, South Bend; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Cora Searle, South Bend; Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Eva Stover, South Bend; Press, Mrs. C. Fassnacht, South Bend; Narcotic, Mrs. E. Linard, South Bend; Purity, Mrs. George Hodson, South Bend; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sue Ornes, South Bend; Evangelistic, Mrs. R. O. Cotton, South Bend; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Zach. Johnson, South Bend; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Daisy D. Shontz, South Bend; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Nina High, South Bend; Mercy, Miss Myrtle Huey, South Bend; Purity of Literature and Art, Miss Belle Harris, South Bend; Relation of Temperance to Labor, Miss Grace Shwaller, South Bend. Board of Superintendents—Mrs. J. Sharples, Superintendent of Superintendents; Miss Myrtle Huey, Treasurer. DAISY D. SHONTZ.

**Delaware County** Convention was held in Muncie at the Friends' Church. The President, Mrs. Ella Bond, opened the services with devotion.

Thursday evening a grand Gold Medal contest was given, in which Mrs. Odessa Foorman won the medal.

Friday morning interesting reports of officers and Superintendents were given. Especially encouraging were the reports of the Superintendents of Flower Mission, Mothers' Meetings, Medal Contests and the Press.

The election of officers was as follows: Mrs. D. R. Nelson, President; Mrs. Martha Lockhart, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Ella Bond, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Maud Murphy, Treasurer. Mrs. Odessa Foorman, Mrs. Cora Steele and Mrs. Maud Murphy

each gave excellent recitations. The open Parliament, conducted by Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, was very interesting and very instructive. The topic was, "The Most Important Department." Mrs. Carmichael spoke specially of Mothers' Meetings. In the discussion, Mrs. Steele spoke of Contest Work; Mrs. Palmer, Systematic Giving and Christian Citizenship; Mrs. Nelson, Press work and Christian Citizenship; Miss Rayle, Purity; Miss Palmer, Non-Alcoholic Medication; Mrs. Bond, Mothers' Meetings. The President closed the discussion with the decision that "Every department is important."

Miss Alice Palmer was present from beginning to close and gave much reliable information. Her lecture Friday evening was fine, and was listened to by a very appreciative audience. A special feature of the evening was a solo by Miss Clarissa Koons.

**The Morgan County** convention of the W. C. T. U. met at the M. E. church at 10 o'clock on the morning of Oct. 30. For the business sessions, the lecture room on the first floor was used, and the platform was tastefully decorated in the national colors, with vase bouquets of white, red and rose chrysanthemums; back and above the organ, were hung the pledge cards of red, white and blue, secured by white ribbons. A framed picture of Miss Francis Willard, circled in Ivy, rested on an easel at the left of the presiding officer, Mrs. Sophia Toner. The visiting delegates and friends were taken to the National hotel, where they were entertained for dinners.

Among the delegates who came in on the morning trains and reported at the church, were Mesdames Martha J. Sumner, Lida Hadley, Saloma Thompson, Sarah Keller, Alice Burk, Anna Dickerson, Anna Mitchell, Eliza Harvey, of Mooresville; Mesdames Pearl Brown, Savannah B. Sandy, Matilda Whitesett, of Paragon; Mrs. Maggie B. Kirk, of Centerton; Mesdames Sarah Monical, Malinda J. Rinker, of Brooklyn; Mrs. Flora B. Henley, of Monrovia. Many arrived on afternoon and evening trains.

The convention closed with an address by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley in the auditorium at the M. E. church.

A number of the G. A. R. posts attended and were given the honorary seats facing the lecturer.

Mrs. Stanley is an earnest, forcible speaker, relating her experiences and expressing them in plain, good, common-sense manner, which duly impresses her hearers with the sincerity of her convictions.

The officers of the County Union for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. S. P. Toner, Martinsville; Vice-President, Flora E. Henley, Mooresville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Fannie Blankenship; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Malinda Rinker, Brooklyn; Treasurer, Mrs. Rhoda Wilhite, Monrovia. Other appointments were made, as follows: Young Woman's branch, Miss Jennie Edwards, Monrovia; Loyal Temperance Legion branch, Miss Josie Maxwell, Martinsville; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Mary Green, Martinsville; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Whitesett, Paragon; Sunday School, Mrs. Lida Hadley, Mooresville; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Tomlinson, Martinsville; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. Flora Henley, Mooresville; Press, Mrs. Fannie Blankenship, Martinsville; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Eliza Harvey, Mooresville; Medal Contest, Alice Burke, Mooresville; Gospel Temperance Meetings, Mrs. Lydia Painter, Mooresville; Systematic Giving, Mrs. Rachel Clark, Monrovia; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Louisa Olds, Martinsville; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Martha Sumner, Mooresville; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sarah Monical, Brooklyn; Flower Mission, Miss Tessie Winter, Martinsville; Franchise, Mrs. J. W. Richardson, Martinsville.—*Martinsville Daily*.

**The Dearborn County** W. C. T. U. met in convention at Dillsboro, Ind., in the Presbyterian Church, on October 31. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, County President, presided, and two very interesting sessions were held. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. C. J. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill, Ind., President; Mrs. Squires, Moore's Hill, Ind., Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. R. A. Perlee, Dillsboro, Ind., Treasurer. On the evening of the 31st a Silver Medal Contest was held. The class consisted of four young men—three from Dillsboro and one from Moore's Hill. Elmer Miller, of Dillsboro, was the successful contestant. The church was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, bunting and autumn leaves, while Miss Willard's picture occupied a prominent place on the platform. The floor receipts were \$17.00.

"Duty is doing a thing at the right time."

#### NEW STATE DIRECTORY.

It is expected that every Local and County Union in the State will elect officers for the ensuing year just prior to the State Convention, so that we begin the new W. C. T. U. year with the officers who are to serve during that year. One of the first duties of the State Corresponding Secretary after the Convention is to prepare the new State Directory, so that communications, reports, literature, etc., may be sent to the proper persons, and so that we may know our fellow workers, but it is impossible to do this unless the names and addresses are sent in. This year I am preparing a Directory of County and Local Superintendents, and I urge all Unions and Counties which have not yet sent me a list of their Officers and Superintendents to do so at once. And please do not forget to send the address of each one. If you have re-elected your old officers, send me the list just the same.

I wish, Dear Sisters, you would all bear in mind



the importance of a correct State Directory to our State work. Many delays, misunderstandings, and waste of postage result from an out-of-date Directory, and I am ambitious to have an up-to-date record this year.

Most cordially,  
HATTIE W. BRAND.

### THE W. C. T. U. AND EDUCATION.

This was a jubilee year of the department of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention at Portland, Maine, as for the first time the great temperance education map of the department is white because temperance physiology is a mandatory public school study in every state, territory and new possession under our territorial laws.

The people are mistaken who imagine that the projectors and defenders of this study are "well meaning but misguided enthusiasts" who know nothing either of science or of the philosophy and practice of the best modern educational methods. At one time in the convention, when the delegates were practically all in their seats, everyone was asked to rise who had been or is now a teacher or connected in any way with public or private education. Almost the entire body came to their feet. A further canvas showed that every phase of education was represented, from primary public school teachers to college and normal school instructors, school principals, supervisors, members of school committees and boards of education. Hence, the delegates knew whereof they affirmed when, on motion of Miss Marie C. Brehm, president of Illinois, they passed unanimously the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, president Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard University, in his recent New Haven speech, has presented no evidence to prove that total abstinence is not supported by the exact experimentation of modern science; therefore,

Resolved, that we respectfully differ from his statement that "the effort to inculcate total abstinence in the public schools has been to the injury of science because the manuals of instruction used for that purpose are inaccurate."

We remind the public that the teachings on this subject in the public schools which is approved by the advocates of this cause has the approval of men of acknowledged eminence in science, and has never been proved false. We, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, representing mothers and teachers who come into closest contact with the children of this country, testify to the great educational, hygienic and moral value of this study. We therefore believe that its removal from our schools would be a national calamity which we pledge ourselves to do everything in our power to avert.

The following resolution was also adopted by the convention.

Resolved, That we stand committed to the principle and practice of compulsory scientific temperance instruction for all pupils in all public schools of this country.

We rejoice that this study is now universally mandatory in the United States, and urge our organization everywhere to resist every effort to weaken the laws that require it; to work for good, well graded text books on this subject in the hands of pupils who use books on other subjects; and to oppose books that fail to teach total abstinence as revealed by modern science.

### HON. HALE JOHNSON MURDERED

By a man to whom he had gone with an officer to collect a debt. Because of his great-heartedness he had endeavored to collect a standing debt by amicable arrangements that failed, and at last when it was in an officer's hand to collect, Mr. Johnson went with the officer in the hope of yet making arrangements that would be satisfactory, he was shot dead by the man—who immediately took poison and died.

Mr. Johnson was the Prohibition candidate for Vice President of the United States, with Joshua Levering for President.

A great man is gone—a man of worth and power, with a great heart and fine brain, whose every influence was for good. He was a highly-esteemed member of his profession, a good Christian and an exemplary husband and father.

The funeral took place at Newton, Ill., November 6. The services were plain and simple, as he would have had them. The attendance was extremely large. It was said by many to have been the largest ever seen on such an occasion in this county, which was fitting, since he was the most distinguished man given to the world by Jasper county. His home is but a few steps from the Christian Church which he had helped to build. Though the notice was short, many friends came long distances to be present. Prominent Prohibitionists from all sections of the State were there. Addresses were made by Alonzo E. Wilson, secretary of the State Prohibition Committee; G. T. Smith, former pastor of Mr. Johnson's church, and Oliver W. Stewart, of Chicago. Members of the Bar Association of Jasper county attended in a body, as did the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. The addresses at his funeral were all pitched in a triumphant key. While there was universal sorrow, which showed on the faces of the people and was expressed in the addresses, there was a note of victory about the entire services. There was plainly apparent a feeling that all were standing in the presence of a conqueror.

Jasper County appreciated Mr. Johnson for his worth and also for his public work. They took pride in him and gloried in his record.

### FIELD NOTES.

The Executive Committee of the Grant County W. C. T. U. and its Board of County Superintendents held an all-day meeting, November 7, at the Christian Tabernacle in Marion. Plans were laid and methods discussed for the year's work. The State President, Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, was there, and gave a cheery, encouraging report of the National Convention. The County President, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, and Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave much instruction and encouragement to the workers. Mrs. Stephenson, of Gas City, conducted a beautiful Bible Reading on "Our Banking Privileges." There were fourteen Departments represented. Great earnestness was manifested by the women, and there were resolutions made to do better work this year than ever before.

Wabash Union sends the MESSAGE to all the Ministers who are Honoraries.

At Bedford Mrs. Mary E. Balch reported the National Convention and addressed a union meeting of the Junior societies of all the churches. Eighty-one boys and girls signed the triple pledge. Good! The Bedford White Ribboners are very active and aggressive. Mrs. Braxton is a forceful, magnetic leader. Admired and respected by her fellow townspeople, she wields a wonderful influence. This year every Pastor in Bedford is to receive the *Union Signal*, and it is to be also sent to the Public Library. Bedford Officers and Superintendents are now as follows: President, Mrs. E. A. R. Braxton; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary Coleman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Milda Mathes; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. Freeland; Treasurer, Mrs. G. West; Vice-President from Baptist Church, Mrs. Matthews; Vice-President from Presbyterian Church, Mrs. C. McKinney; Vice-President from Christian Church, Mrs. O. Wire; Vice-President from M. E. Church, Mrs. K. R. Norton; Superintendents—Scientific Temperance Work, Mrs. I. Day; Parliamentary Usage, Mrs. H. McDonald; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Denniston; The Press, Mrs. Wm. Brown; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Lizzie Holcombe; Evangelistic, Mrs. Brumley; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. E. Ramsey; Flower Mission, Mrs. Ella Sproull.

LaPorte Union has had an awakening. The attendance is larger and all seem more interested, consequently better and more work is being done. November 7 they sent a large barrel to Hadley Home filled with made clothing, also goods to be made up on its arrival, and \$4.00 in money. The delegates from this Union promised Miss Hobart at the State Convention that they would send a package, but they were so successful that it took a barrel to hold what they wanted to send. November 13 Mrs. Ogle, from California, gave an interesting and very encouraging talk. They also enrolled two new members. The work has been nicely planned for the ensuing year. Every other meeting is given to some Superintendent to use for the best interest along the line of work which he or she represents. Rev. Harmon will have charge of the next meeting as Superintendent of Narcotics. Every two weeks will be for business, opening with 20 minutes' devotional exercises led by some member of the Union.

Huntington County unions are still rejoicing over the results of the State Convention held at Huntington. All of the expenses of the convention were paid before the convention week ended and some money left in the county treasury. This of course was the result of careful planning; excellent financial ability. The flutter of white ribbons during the convention helped to arouse a still stronger sentiment among Christian people against the license saloon. This we hope will cause some definite action to be taken that will loosen the grip of the tyrant King Alcohol in that community. Mrs. Rall, as County President, is a very strong aggressive leader, her County Executive is one of the best in our state; by their united efforts great things have been accomplished and Huntington County is close to the top in order of "work done."

Franklin White Ribboners gave a very delightful reception in honor of Mrs. Mary Hadley-Hall, whose future home will be "among them." Mrs. A. T. Whitson was a guest of honor on account of being the organizer of the union.

Anti-Polygamy—The Anti-Polygamy question is a very serious one, with the new complications arising from the elections in Utah. Probably there are over a million signatures to Anti-Polygamy petitions in the rooms of the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives. These lose their significance and become of no effect at the termination of the present Congress, March 4, 1903. Strenuous efforts should be made to bring to bear upon members of the House of Representatives all possible influence through petitions, and also through securing letters from prominent men of both political parties to their Representatives in Congress, urging that attention be given to these petitions. Petitions and letters can be sent to representatives at their homes now, or later to Washington, simply addressing them Hon. ...., Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, the General of the White Ribbon Army stationed at the National Capital, says: There are two bills before Congress which should receive early attention in the coming session, before the

great moneyed interests are reached, viz.: the McCumber bill, "To forbid liquor selling in all Government buildings," and the Penrose-Lawrence bill, "To forbid liquor selling in U. S. Immigrant Stations." Members of Congress should be written to early in December, and persons living in the vicinity of their homes should call upon them before leaving for Washington, urging them to vote in the interest of these measures.

The Executive Committee of Wells County W. C. T. U. met in Bluffton, October 25, and appointed the following Superintendents of Departments for the County: Mrs. Dr. Goodin, Bluffton, Anti-Narcotics and Non-Alcoholic Medication; Mrs. D. E. Studebaker, Bluffton, Parliamentary Usage; Mrs. M. J. Hunter, Ossian, Medal Contests; Mrs. Cora McBride, Bluffton, Press; Mrs. Maggie Roe, Ossian, Purity; Mrs. Martha McBride, Bluffton, Mothers' Meetings; Mrs. D. A. Walmer, Bluffton, Relation of Temperance to Labor; Mrs. Martha McBride, Bluffton, Jail, Prison and Evangelistic; Mrs. Sarah Sawyer, Bluffton, Flower Missions; Mrs. Hannah Reif, Bluffton, Franchise; Miss Della Roma, Kreps, Scientific Temperance Instruction.

Churubusco Union entertained their country members and a few friends of the organization, October 29, at the home of Mrs. Lucy Thompson; about fifty friends and members were present. A short literary program was given, which consisted of music, recitations, a paper on the Origin and Purpose of the W. C. T. U., the reading of the Declaration of Principles of the W. C. T. U.; also, a short address by the Pastor of the U. B. Church. Three new members were added to our local W. C. T. U. At the close of our literary program refreshments were served and a good social time was enjoyed by all present.

First Gold Medal Contest was given in the U. B. Church, Saturday, Oct. 25, at Churubusco. The Church was crowded with people who came to hear the contestants deliver their recitations, "which they did in a very able manner." Miss Sadie Claxton won the Medal; her subject was "The Vagabonds." We were also entertained with excellent instrumental music—Solo, Duet and Quartet—the last two being given by little girls. The door receipts were \$19.10.

Medal Contest—On the evening of November 8, by invitation, we drove to Roll to attend a medal contest. It was a lovely evening and upon our arrival at the church an hour before the appointed time we found the house more than half filled with people. The church was simply and tastefully decorated.

The contest was participated in by seven young ladies and gentlemen, four of whom were school teachers. The recitations were exceptionally well rendered, showing a careful interest on the part of the contestants and reflecting much credit on their training.

By the hour of opening, the house was packed with as attentive, appreciative congregation as it has ever been our privilege to meet. The order through the exercises was commendable. While waiting for the hour of opening the time was well spent in singing hymns. The Recitations were interspersed with music—a song by the little girls very beautifully sang, also some very appropriate selections by a quartet, whose singing was excellent. Miss Bessie Buckles, a young school teacher, was awarded the medal. The recitations were not only fine, but were so well given that it was a very close race.

To Mrs. Palmer, the Superintendent of contest work in her local union, great praise is due. An admission of ten cents for adults and five cents for children was charged, and as the receipts for the evening amounted to \$23.75, Mrs. Palmer felt amply paid for her untiring labors in carrying forth the work, and on every hand was heard the declaration "it was a decided success." She feels willing to do the same thing again sometime in the future. While the judges were making their decision, Mrs. Stahl gave a short address which was pronounced deserving of a medal. As this union is very small, it was certainly very very encouraging to them and us to see what they have accomplished, and as they have done so well what might be accomplished if we will but get our eyes off the probable failures and get them on the possible success of our best endeavors.

Dear readers, let us try it this year on all lines as God may lead and see if we do not have such a year of prosperity for the temperance cause as we have never had before. May God inspire us with zeal and energy to push the battle. Let, "Down with the rum traffic!" be our watch-cri until we shall hear the death knell of the saloon reverberating all through this fair land of ours.

The foregoing is no "blow up" for the paper—no newspaper story—but a faithful presentation of facts. Now, my dear readers, reflect on this work done by this union of fourteen members, five of whom are honorary, and then ask yourselves, cannot we do as much?

### IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. BELLE WRIGHT—WHEREAS, death has again entered our ranks and removed from our midst, our dear sister, Mrs. Belle Wright.

Resolved, that the Hadley W. C. T. U. extend to the husband and children our heartfelt sympathy, asking them to remember that God plucks from us our earthly friend, that we may look upon Him as He is, our very best Friend.

He foils our earthly hopes, that we may not fail of heaven. Are our trials great, great is our reward. Let us bear them with a smile, for the external joys of heaven far exceed the suffering of earth. Would we be strong we must often be put to the trial of our strength, but with the testing comes the promise, "As thy day is so shall thy strength be."

SADIE B. HARVEY,  
RUTH H. RATCLIFF,  
Committee.



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## THE PEACE JUBILEE.

Air: "There is a Happy Land."  
There is a happy time  
Not far away,  
When over every clime  
Love shall have sway.  
O, bright will be the hour  
When the war-clouds doth not lower,  
When Oppression hath not power  
On sea or shore.

Darts of hatred in that day  
No more are hurled;  
Flags of good will alway  
Now are unfurled.  
Prisoners, too, shall find release,  
Clang of sword and gun shall cease,  
'Tis the Jubilee of Peace  
All 'round the world.

Work for that happy time.  
Speed, speed the day  
When every land and clime  
Shall own Love's sway.  
Peace makes the nations free;  
Peace is truest victory;  
Peace brings the Jubilee  
To all the world.

Richmond, Ind.

—H. LAVINIA BAILY.

## FROM STATE PRESIDENT.

Fresh air and pure water are our best physicians, as neither of those use alcohol in their treatment of diseases. It seems clear to my mind that doctors of less experience might abandon this dangerous drug with all safety. My father, being an invalid for many years, gave me a good opportunity to study the effect of alcoholic medicine, occasionally given by his physician, and I have no word to give in its favor. There is so little to be said in favor and so much against its use as a medicine that I think we, as White Ribboners, should protest against its use in any form. I remember good Christian friends whom I have good reason to believe died intoxicated from the use of brandy, given them as medicine in their last illness, depriving them of giving a parting message to the family, which would have been more highly appreciated than the earthy possessions left to them. For these reasons and others of much more importance I will not take this poison if I know it.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

The Goshen "Y's" are trying something new. They call it a Clipping Contest, with a girl captain on one side and a boy captain on the other side—twenty-six in all. They cut out of the papers any item or all items relating to the evils of the liquor traffic, fines for drunkenness, jail sentences, murders, etc. They get their parents, brothers and sisters to help them. A committee of three of the older "Y's" take charge of the clippings and about the first of February the defeated side is to entertain the victorious side. One little boy sent 300 clippings. Let us pray that this may awaken parents to the awful crimes and ruinous effect of the liquor traffic on their boys and girls and do something to help overthrow it. Let other "Y" Unions do likewise. We think it a splendid plan and something new.

We want all the MESSAGE readers to know of the splendid plans for the meetings the "Y" Secretary held in Martin county, beginning World's Temperance Sunday, November 23, presenting the work at the three Sunday Schools and securing pledge signers; in the morning occupied the Christian Church pulpit and a mass meeting at night in the M. E. Church, special music helping in the service so much. The musical talent of Loogootee is especially nice to furnish extra music for the parlor meetings in the afternoons.

Monday afternoon a reception was held at the home of Mrs. Thomas, to which a number of ladies braved the rain and attended. Music, an address, refreshments and social hour helped to give the meetings for the week a splendid start. Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Flora Rodgers; Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. Maggie Brooks; Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. May Moser, and we must speak of the pleasure of having as a guest of that meeting the invalid mother, Mrs. O'Brian, also Mrs. Wright, of Washington. Flowers, music, a paper on the Temperance Hospital, prepared by Mrs. Georgie Moser White, of Colorado, was read by Mrs. Brooks. The State Secretary of the Y. W. C. T. U. then read a paper on "Impurity in the Public Schools and How to Cope with It." Friday the County President, Miss Susie Majors, accompanied Miss Sears to Shoals, where Miss Sears was given a place among the instructors for the Teachers' Institute, with Dr. Lowder, of Greencastle, and Prof. C. M. Curry, of Terre Haute, speaking on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning to a large number of teachers. Each evening, with the exception of Friday and Saturday, public meetings were held at night in the M. E. and Presbyterian churches, on the last Sabbath evening in the Christian church. Mrs. Moser and Miss Majors and other W. C. T. U. ladies did all they could to make the

meeting a success. The rain for days and scarlet fever scare interfered somewhat, but we know God will take care of the results, and may He bless those women is our constant prayer.

Anderson "Y's" gave another one of its girls, Miss Effie Wilhoit, for three years the Recording Secretary, in marriage to Mr. Melvin Jameson, December 11. They will make their home in Anderson and went to it the night of the wedding.

I did not send out any of my blanks this quarter, because they have never been sent to me; but if I do not receive them, "Y's," you will hear from me before December closes. We must do all in our power to bring up the membership in the State this year.

Please send me items in regard to work you are doing in your local "Y" Unions. Do you need State programs? If so, send to my address and they will be forwarded.

I am open for dates now, and if you who do not have a Y. W. C. T. U. in your county don't send for me, I think you will get a notice that I am coming.

Above all things, girls, pray and keep close to God and he will lead us to victory.

Lovingly,  
CLARA M. SEARS,  
Y. Secretary.

## FROM PRESIDENT WILSON.

I believe we have lost good opportunities to get the temperance work before the people by supposing that when the usual revival meetings begin in our churches we must postpone our work until after the meetings close or the revival season is over. Now, dear hearts, the work done by the W. C. T. U. is church work in every department. I do not believe any denomination of the church will or can hope to have in the future, to any great extent, a revival of religion or ingathering of souls into the kingdom until the saloon is outlawed and church members sever their connection with this iniquitous business, and not only that but cry out aloud, "in season and out of season," against these soul destroying murder mills of our country.

Therefore I hope, as nearly as possible, each local Union will see to it that the minister in charge of the meetings be invited and encouraged to preach one or more temperance sermons during the series. I do not mean a recital of the evils of the drink habit, every man, woman and child knows more or less about them, but rather how the church may arise in her strength and slay her worst enemy.

If this cannot be done, or if it can, let each Union, or two or three join together, and secure one or more of our own evangelists to come to your place and hold a series of temperance meetings. Tell the editor of the local paper about it and ask him to give the meetings a kindly mention. Send out personal invitations to those who are not in the habit of attending church service. Ask your pastor and those who do not belong to the Union to pray for and take part in the meetings. Then, like Daniel of old, with "open window toward the throne," ask the Lord to bless your efforts. Then look for great results in saving young men from the enemy's net, and young women will become interested in the work and join the Union. You will have a consciousness that those who attended your meetings will not die ignorant of their duty toward the saloon. Souls will be born into the kingdom of God, your Union built up and strengthened, the church blessed, and your own hearts sing for joy because you did your duty.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## A REMARKABLE SHOWING.

One week ago I published a statement showing that in answer to a recent appeal for cash and pledges for the national prohibition committee for our party work, 86 persons had given, in cash and pledges, \$845.80. I expressed the belief that by the end of the week the total amount contributed would come up to the two thousand dollar mark.

I am forced to confess to the prohibition party of the country that the best that I thought I ought to hope for has proved far too small. The total amount contributed within the week following was \$3,990.45, which came from 534 persons. This, added to the amount previously reported, makes a total of 620 contributors and a total amount contributed of \$4,836.25. Instead of the two thousand dollar mark, we have fallen but a few dollars short of the five thousand dollar mark. I now have faith to believe that we will, at an early date, reach ten thousand dollars. Practically we are half way there now. Shall we go the rest of the distance, and go it quickly? Out of our voters, who number hundreds of thousands, so far only 620 have made individual contributions. The 620 names constitute a roll of honor, to be on which is well worth large sacrifice. We must number our contributors by the thousands, not by the hundreds. I am happy to say that the week that closed to-day has broken all

records since I have been chairman of the national committee. Never before has there come in such a large sum in subscriptions and payments as came this week. Good as the record is, we could beat it every week between now and the first of January if we would. Do you want to put your name on the roll of honor? Will you send your pledge or payment at once to  
OLIVER W. STEWART, Chairman,  
1518 Manhattan Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

## Later—Over Eight Thousand Dollars.—

The national organizing fund for next year now amounts to over \$8,000. During the week now closing 108 contributors sent cash and pledges amounting to \$605.10, which, added to the number and amount previously reported, give totals of 1,173 contributors and \$8,308.25 contributed. If the many friends who have fully intended to give for next year will hurry on their pledges within the next few days, we can reach the ten thousand mark before the end of the year 1902. What a victory that would be, to have \$10,000 subscribed for our fund for next year before the end of this year. It is certainly well worth the effort. We are within striking distance of it. A little less than \$1,700 will carry us up to that mark. Friends of the prohibition cause, what is to be your response? May I hear from you within the next few days? Send all cash and pledges to

OLIVER W. STEWART, Chairman,  
1518 Manhattan Building, Chicago, Ill.

## PLAN OF WORK FOR 1903.

Fifty questions on the Annual Minutes, Annual Leaflet and the MESSAGE and Union Signal, beginning with the October, 1902, issues, shall be prepared by the State Central Committee and published in the April MESSAGE. Any member who answers seventy-five per cent of the questions shall have her name enrolled in the State Minutes. Answers to be sent to the State Recording Secretary.

## WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETINGS.

February 17 has been set apart for the commemoration of the beautiful life of Frances E. Willard, and it is recommended that every Local Union hold a Memorial Meeting on that date. Have short addresses, extracts from her writings, and ask for a generous offering, \$2.00 of which shall be forwarded to the National Treasurer as a Willard Memorial Fund.

## TEMPERANCE REVIVALS.

Let every Union hold a week of temperance revival meetings during the winter months, such meetings to be a campaign for pledge signing, the distribution of temperance literature and the proclaiming of the doctrine of legal prohibition. Every Union which will hold such a revival shall receive a package of pledge cards and temperance literature.

## GAINS IN MEMBERSHIP.

STATE BANNER. The Union making the greatest gain in paid members shall have the custody of the State Banner for the year.

HONORARY MEMBERS. The Union making the largest gain in honorary members shall receive a copy of the life of John G. Woolley.

COUNTY GAINS. Any County having made a gain of one hundred over the paid membership of last year shall have their County President's car-fare paid to the State Convention by the State and receive honorable mention.

Any County having three new Unions of ten paid members each shall have a State speaker free.

Any County having two new Unions of ten paid members each shall have a State speaker by paying her car-fare only.

Any County President who organizes a Union of ten paid members shall have a cash premium of \$2.00.

Dues must be in the hands of the State Treasurer before any of the above premiums will be awarded.

LOCAL UNION GAINS. Any Union making a gain of ten paid members in any quarter of the year shall have a State speaker by paying her car fare only.

## FINANCIAL.

The Union sending the largest amount as a Free Will Offering for State work shall receive from the State Treasurer 20 per cent of the amount given.

## PROGRAMS.

Local Unions shall prepare a program for the year's meetings, printed, type-written or written, and send a copy to the State Corresponding Secretary. A premium shall be awarded for the one which best presents the temperance cause. Also the County Executive shall furnish a suggestive program for the Local Unions of the County.

MRS. HATTIE W. BRAND,  
MRS. RETTA JONES,  
MRS. LIDA OUTLAND,  
MRS. GULIE SHUGART,  
Committee.



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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,  
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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**This Non-Alcoholic Issue** of the MESSAGE contains much valuable information. This department strikes right at the root of the drink habit.

Our State Superintendent of this department, Mrs. A. T. Whitson, is courageously pushing the work along. She is doing much to disseminate knowledge along this line.

Our aggressive physicians, the most successful practitioners, do not use alcohol in their practice.

Upon the women of to-day largely depends the attitude taken by the youth and by physicians upon the non use of alcohol in medicine. When our women refuse to allow the use of alcohol in medicine physicians will use other remedies. The blind faith of the people in the doctors and the conservatism and slowness of the doctors to accept any theory that has not been handed down through clinic work, etc., is amazing.

Our White Ribboners must get the scientific information and become posted, for to them the outside world looks for examples of right living and teaching. Let there be no alcohol used in any W. C. T. U. home.

## MEDAL CONTESTS.

Fearing some of the White Ribbon sisters do not yet know of whom to order medals and books, I take this opportunity to inform you. My address until further notice is 1330 E. Washington St., Muncie, and I shall be delighted to fill all orders as promptly as I can. I love the work, but need the prayers and help of the workers. Pray that our work may tell in eternity.  
CORA M. STEELE.

## FRANCHISE.

"Rise up, ye women that are at ease." This injunction would scarce seem to apply to the women within our ranks, and yet such a plea is well to be heeded.

Being but recently notified of my appointment to this most important of departments, the Franchise, and feeling my great deficiency and incompetency, I beg of the rank and file of Indiana to "rise up" and lend me their hands and brains that I may not fail. The cause is not mine alone, but yours as well. Our's it shall be to enter the halls of the Legislature this winter and ask for presidential suffrage, and with this aim in view let us push the petition work. Secure names to the following declaration: "We believe women should vote on equal terms with men." Secure signatures only from people of legal age. It will be of great and direct value to our cause to secure, as soon as possible, a number of signatures in addition to those already signed, large enough to demand the attention of the Legislature, and send the same to me at once.

Report your work carefully and on time, and communicate freely with me at any time. Any suggestions from wiser heads will be greatly appreciated by one who desires to do her very best.

MISS PEARL RALL,  
State Superintendent.

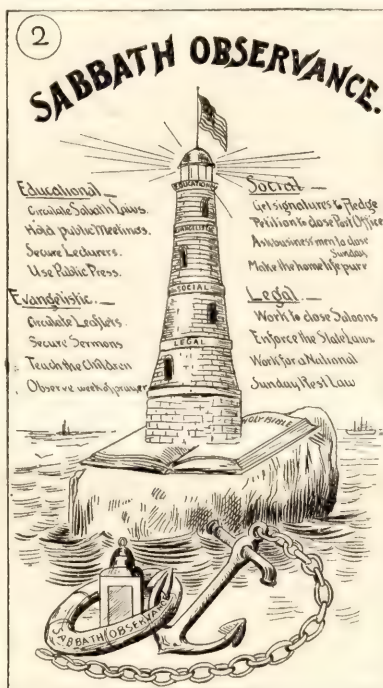
## EVANGELISTIC.

Another year has passed with all its successes and failures, and we are already in the second month of the new year. I would be glad if I could see you face to face and have the privilege of conferring with you regarding the interest of our most important department. I wish to thank each one who sent me a report last year and exhort all who did not to be more diligent this year, that you may have a good report to make e'er this year closes. Let us each one endeavor to do better work than we have ever done before. Keep a faithful record of all your work, and follow as

fully as possible the suggestions in my plan of work. I do not think it advisable to get out a new plan of work this year, as the old edition is not quite exhausted, and I can, from time to time, speak to you through the MESSAGE. I am anxious that each one of you should have a copy of Miss Greenwood's Recommendations for 1902. I have sent for 100 copies, which I will send to the County Superintendents, that they may supply the Local Superintendents. Where there are no County Superintendents I will send direct to the local, providing you will send me your name and address. I greatly desire to be helpful to my co-workers, but I cannot help you if you do not let me know who and where you are. When there is a change in the Superintendent, please inform me promptly. I only heard from 31 counties last year. May I not have a report from every organized county this year? If there is no County Superintendent will the County Corresponding Secretary please send me the names of the Local Superintendents in the County? I have made out a new set of questions for my report blanks in harmony with Miss Greenwood's Recommendations for 1902. Will you please report in figures, as Miss Greenwood earnestly requests this? She says, "A vast amount of enthusiasm and power are lost because not one-tenth of the work done is reported in figures." I earnestly desire that each Union will, if possible, arrange for a special revival service of a week's duration; seeking earnestly the co-operation of ministers, Sunday-school superintendents and teachers. If I can be of any assistance to you, let me know and I will gladly do all in my power to carry out your wishes. Any suggestions from the Superintendents or Associate Evangelists, by which our department may be made more effective, will be gladly received. The most important thing for each individual is to be in harmony and fellowship with the divine leader. Earnest, sympathetic study of the word, accompanied with fervent prayer, is absolutely essential if we would be equipped for effectual service; therefore, let us spend as much time as possible in these exercises. I will close with Paul's injunction to Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Yours for the uplifting of our dear Redeemer's Kingdom in the earth,  
ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

## PLAN OF WORK, SABBATH OBSERVANCE DEPARTMENT.

In the department of Sabbath Observance there are fifteen distinct lines of work which may be classified under the four heads: Educational, Evangelistic, Social and Legal, as here represented by a tower standing upon the foundation rock of God's word.



The light in the dome is typical of the truth we wish to have spread over land and sea. The efficient superintendent will work along these lines, using the links of past experience as a cable to lash to new helps, and prayer as the anchor of hope for protection from the storms of difficulty. Correspondence with those in positions above her will be the life preserver upon which she may depend in cases of extreme need. A study of the plans and workings of other superintendents will serve as a signal lantern in case of approaching dangers. The STATE MINUTES will be her chart, faith her compass and God her pilot. Thus equipped, she will safely reach the harbor of success.

## A GENEROUS DONATION.

The charity fund of the Bluffton Woman's Christian Temperance Union was recently increased by a check for fifty dollars, which was presented by the Order of Elks of that city. This order numbers among its members some of the most generous, large-hearted men in Wells county. The organization, though yet in its infancy, is loyal to its principles, and, remembering that "the poor are always with us," has made it possible for the ladies of the W. C. T. U. to lend a helping hand to those who are in need.

MRS. D. T. SMITH,  
Sec. Bluffton W. C. T. U.

**Intemperance** is the egg out of which all vices may be hatched.—St. Augustine.

**Mrs. Mary C. Woody** is the Superintendent of the Evangelistic Department in the North Carolina W. C. T. U.

**Our National Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman**, is very ill of inflammatory rheumatism. She is in Chicago.

**Lancaster County** (Penn.) W. C. T. U. publishes a bright newsy four-page paper. The editorials are forceful and to the point.

**The prohibition vote** in Ontario is very encouraging, and proves the power of the prohibition sentiment there. Our Canadian White Ribboners helped in many ways.

**Hon. Jno. G. Woolley** has greatly improved the *New Voice* since he assumed personal charge and dropped out the bitter, which was disagreeable when served so frequently and in such allopathic quantities.

**The amount** spent for drink in this country last year was about \$1,225,850,000. This sum in one-dollar bills placed touching end to end would girdle the world fifty-eight times, making a belt of money about twenty feet wide around the entire earth. It would form a strip six bills wide from the earth to the moon; or would make a solid carpet of bills larger than the State of Connecticut.—Search Light.

**After the fall elections** the *Washington Sentinel*, a liquor organ, sounded an alarm. It said: "It seems to us that the friends of personal liberty are not fully aware of the danger which threatens them from prohibitionists, who are working day and night, and successfully, too, to bring about total prohibition. In fact, there is hardly a State in the South where the majorities of counties do not prohibit the sale of liquor."

**The W. C. T. U. claims**, as it has for twenty-five years, that the only way to make total abstinence possible, the only way to insure temperance and good order, is the enactment of prohibitory laws. They have come to this conclusion not hastily or unthinkingly. The W. C. T. U. started out with an idea of using moral suasion in the temperance work, but found by experience that what was necessary was to get at the fountain head of the evil and absolutely close the saloons. Few men kept the pledges they made when they were tempted by the allurements of the saloon. The whole trouble is that the government is in partnership with the rum-sellers, and until this partnership is dissolved drunkards will continue to be made. Then, and not till then, can men grapple with this question as they should. Give us enforcement for a hundred years and then, if the conditions are no better, come to the W. C. T. U. and we will believe you if you say it is a failure, and not till then.—Rev. Anna Shaw.

**At a recent meeting** of the Louisville Ministers' Association Mrs. Mary E. Balch, with a committee of Louisville White Ribboners, asked that the Association join in extending an invitation to the National W. C. T. U. to meet in Louisville next fall. Quickly Rev. J. Kinsey sprang to his feet and asked if the W. C. T. U. was an adjunct to the prohibition party? "If it is," he shouted, "we should have nothing to do with it." This same minister had, in his Thanksgiving sermon on the Thursday previous, said of Louisville: "Look at this vast city with saloons strewn as thickly along its crowded streets as the electric lights which hang over them. Look at the dives, and dance halls, and dens of hideous and festering impurity; at the vile theaters, open every day in the week for the exhibition of lust and indecency; at the Sunday desecration; at the poisoning of the public mind by a frivolous and degraded press." The following comments of the *New Voice* are to the point: "And after all, the invitation was not extended. Perhaps it is for the best. If the old party city of Louisville is half as bad as Rev. J. Kinsey says it is, it is not a fit place to invite respectable women. The sagacity of a preacher who will on Thursday paint in such colors the condition of a license city and then on Monday go into fits over the proposal to extend a civil invitation to friends of prohibition is so illuminating as to suggest Bright's disease."

**Anti-Saloon League.**—The seventh convention of the American Anti-Saloon League closed on December 11. The meetings were enthusiastic and well attended. It was a very representative body. Rev. Elwood O. Ellis, of Indiana, was made chairman of the resolutions committee. Rev. E. G. Sanderson, Superintendent of the League in Indiana, read a paper on "The League; What It Is and Does." Mrs. J. Ellen Foster was in evidence. She will be remembered as a traitor to the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Leonora Lake, Vice-President of the Catholic Total Abstinence Society, delivered an eloquent address on "Unification of Effort for Sobriety and Against the Saloon." There were many addresses, and discussion followed. The army canteen naturally occupied much attention. The Inspector General of the Division of the Philippines, in his official report just issued says: "Between 10 and 35 per cent. of the men (soldiers) drink to excess habitually." The address prepared by Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie and Dr. I. C. Funk was adopted. In this address the army canteen was set forth in its true light, and the League pledged itself to work and vote against the repeal of the anti-canteen law.



## PATENT MEDICINES—A RECITATION.

For every pain and every ache,  
There is a medicine to take,  
That has a patent to insure  
That it will absolutely cure.  
It's strange that any one is sick,  
When medicines will cure so quick.  
Directions plain, that all may read;  
Alas, they do not wisely heed.  
And then the good effects are lost,  
Which makes them grumble as to cost.  
They'll try another, advertised,  
Because they were so ill advised.  
The temperance folks can, one and all,  
Be sure there is no alcohol,  
Or any drug of dangerous kind,  
But of the best, pure and refined.  
Shake once, shake twice; and o'er and o'er,  
They try the remedy once more,  
And from the bottle drink it down  
Without a grimace or a frown.  
For tooth, and ear, and eye, and nose,  
For stomach, back, and limbs, and toes,  
And lung and liver, heart and brain,  
Made over new, without a pain.  
There's balsams, tonics, salves and pills,  
And tinctures, syrups, tablets, squills—  
You read of them on fence and barn,  
And every stump about the farm.  
And not a paper or a book,  
These days, would have a paying look  
Without these ads of strange device,  
That fool the wise once, twice and thrice.  
Patent medicines are a trade  
By which large fortunes oft are made,  
And grave-yards fill, and homes deplete,  
While all are ill you chance to meet.  
There's something wrong, some how, some way,  
Whatever quacks and doctors say.  
The Healer's word is true to-day,  
And all may try the better way;  
Obedience the only rule,  
And Faith the Healer's wondrous school.  
Then there's the temperance people's fad,  
You'll find their way is not so bad;  
They've facts and figures both to show  
Their loss of life is far below  
Where alcohol is used to cure,  
And beverage users can't endure  
Disease, hardships and wearing pain  
Like those who carefully abstain.  
All patent medicines they pass by,  
For they all know these medicines lie.

—Mary E. Balch.

## PRIZE RECITATION NO. 3.

## BY INHERITANCE.

To Moses was given the law of inheritance, by the Lord himself, "Visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation or them that hate me."

This is a warning that should cause each one of us to shrink from all manner of evil. Oh, that we could impress this awful responsibility upon the minds of the youth! Would they not hesitate about forming habits of dishonesty, drinking, gambling, impurity?

It has become an appalling matter to read the daily papers. The assaults, the murders, the suicides, the infanticide, the parricides and all the rest of the black and awful list. In reading these details, two distinct conclusions are placed before our eyes. Either these acts are the result of the inheritance received from our ancestors, or, by giving ourselves up to the snares of the evil one, we are laying up for our posterity a most infamous inheritance.

A most touching incident, taken from real life, was once given:

A certain man of education, talent and hope had fallen to the lowest depths of a drunkard. His sixteen year old daughter, Alice, a noble Christian girl, resolved to spend her life, if necessary, in leading her father back to sobriety and usefulness. For two years, summer and winter, night and day, she went to his haunts and brought him home. She supplied all his wants and always gave him the tenderest of care. When he awoke from his drunken sleep she would plead with him, pray with him and lead him to pray for himself. After breaking many promises, the man's heart was reached. He could no longer withstand the daughter's faithfulness and love. He made a confession, joined the church and once more took his place in the world, and to the end of his life became a great worker for the Lord.

To that town moved a gay young married lady. She had ample time and ample means for enjoyment. It was her great delight to draw around her the young people and furnish dainty lunches and banquets. Choice wines and wonderful punches were compounded for the entertainments. She laughed mockingly at the "cranks" that were afraid of a sip of wine. Having heard of this daughter's life of sacrifice and devotion, she lent her brains to a mischievous scheme. So this young girl was invited to one of her entertainments, and being ignorant of the nature of her table, accepted the invitation. The married woman, however, knew whom she had in her house and no suspicious looking drinks were in sight. Tea was served with this supper. Alice drank hers with great relish. "What have you in this tea that tastes so nice?" she inquired. "Oh," replied the woman, "this flavoring was sent to me from Paris. I thought you young ladies would like it. Have another cup." Alice passed her cup the third and fourth time, drinking her tea with great delight. Her face flushed, her eyes sparkled. "This is delicious," she exclaimed, "you must tell me what you have put in your tea." "Well," replied the lady with a triumphant smile, "it is nothing more than whisky, the good drink you have abused all your life." Alice rose from the table, her eyes wildly glittering. Beating with her hands upon her brow she cried, "If this is whisky I must have it. I have all my life been longing for something, and I never knew until now what it was." Her would-be friends, half terrified at what they had done, tried to soothe and detain her, but Alice, wild with excitement and conscious stricken, snatched her wraps and rushed from the house. In her own room she fought and struggled with the awful demon into whose grasp she had fallen, but in vain. A match had been applied

to the dormant heritage in her blood, and the fire continued to burn more and more fiercely. Under cover of darkness she sought a place where she could buy the much longed for beverage. When her condition was discovered the next day, her father was stricken with despair and grief. He realized that he had sown those fatal seeds in his child's blood. He now returned the prayers, care and watching that she had bestowed upon him; but the die was cast, drink she would have in whatever way it could be procured. She could not stand the smittings of conscience and would drown her dismay in the much craved for drink. When money was withheld from her, she would sell or pawn her clothing. For nearly three years this career was hers, then her health failed and worn out, wretched and repentant, she sank into an early grave, watched over to the last by a broken hearted father.

I will now read the remainder of the law given to Moses.

"And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments."

What a blessed promise. By loving him and keeping his commandments and by placing ourselves in good environments, we can even cheat inheritance itself. But beware of the mischievous person. We have all descended from drinking races. Not one knows what demon may be sleeping in his blood. In a thoughtless moment a spark flying from a careless hand may consume and utterly destroy the careful toil of years. It matters not from whence the spark may come, the social board, the medicine chest or the legalized vender of intoxicants. Friends, pause and think of the many liabilities from medicine. Is it not time to arise and announce to the world the danger lurking therein, and the non-necessity of alcohol in medicine? Too long this has been our deceiver. We now know it only as an irritant and depressant, leaving a soothing sensation, for a time, which comes from the benumbing influence upon the nerves.

Surely a new and better era is dawning upon us, when many of our best physicians are speaking of the "passing away of alcohol."

MRS. PETER McDERMID.

Indianapolis, Ind

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

Did you all notice in the report from the largest W. C. T. U. on record, Marietta, Ohio, that the department of Non-Alcoholic Medication has one meeting a month devoted to its study? The President of this flourishing Union says:

"Last year we began studying Non-Alcoholic Medication. We saw so much evil resulting from the medical use of alcohol that we wished to know if it really was necessary. Our Superintendent was the daughter of a physician and a very bright woman. She had the opportunity of studying the best medical works on the use and results of alcohol. We gave one afternoon each month entirely to this study. We commenced with diseases peculiar to children. We advertised the meetings in the daily papers and several ladies were asked beforehand to lead in the discussion. We had large audiences of interested women. Then we took up different diseases and their treatment by different physicians, noting carefully the results. Next, we gave a number of women a certain disease to study and report upon at next meeting. In this way they became not only interested, but instructed, with the result that very many women who thought they must keep a little whisky in the house for cases of emergency have thrown it out, and have found that common colds, la grippe, cramps and all other diseases, are much more easily cured without alcohol in any form.

"Our superintendent moved out of town in six months, but the work so well established went right on. We also sent leaflets to physicians. We had Dr. Beardsley, of Hartford, Conn., two weeks in January of this year. His lectures reached more people with better results than anything else could have done. Several prominent physicians attended his lectures. The good to our city will be lasting.

"Unions cannot be too careful in the selection of a superintendent for this most important department. She must have unlimited patience, with much tact and willingness. She must study the leaflets and all other literature on the subject she can find.

"There should be at least one meeting a month devoted to this vital subject, with not more than two original papers; one paper with thorough discussion is enough, with reading from one of the leaflets; always read some simple remedies. We know this study of Non-Alcoholic Medication is so interesting and helpful that once taken up systematically it cannot but increase in interest and profit."

This letter from Mrs. Ogle explains the Marietta method so clearly that I wished you all to have it as an inspiration to like deeds in your own Union. All Unions cannot have a superintendent who has access to medical works for study, but this is not absolutely requisite, since the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," gives an abundance of material in compact form for just such use. No Union should be without this book. Try the Marietta plan of studying diseases and their non-alcoholic treatment, using the chapter under that heading, and for results use the chapter on Death Rates. Don't forget to thoroughly advertise your meetings.

At the last California convention a very taking number upon the program was a dramatic representation of "The Doctor's Day Off." This has now

been published and is for sale at State Headquarters, 132 McAllister street, San Francisco, Cal. Price, ten cents single copy or sixty cents a dozen. It is well adapted to use at State or county conventions, or for public meetings of local Unions.

Those desiring copies of the "Appeal to Physicians" can get them from me at five cents a dozen, or twenty-five cents a hundred. The leaflet "Alcohol Not a Food" should accompany the Appeal. Price of leaflet, twenty cents per hundred.

Are you remembering the prize to State, county and local superintendents this year? Does every member of your Union own a sample package of leaflets to study and loan? I fear not; indeed there are hundreds of Unions which even yet seem untouched by this total abstinence work. Whose fault is this? Can you do anything to remedy it?

The sample package of leaflets, price ten cents, and the department book, \$1.25, can be obtained from the W. T. P. A., 184 La Salle street, Chicago, from me, or from your State Superintendent. Use these helps and grow in numbers and usefulness as has Marietta, Ohio.

MARTHA M. ALLEN

348 Delaware St., Syracuse, N. Y.

## WHAT SHALL BE THE NEXT STEP IN THE ABOLITION OF THE DRINK TRAFFIC BY THE MEDICAL PROFESSION?

"Thou hast no healing medicines."—Jer. 30-13.

Dr. Homes has said that if the contents of our drug stores were taken out upon the ocean and thrown overboard it would be better for the human race, but worse for the fishes.

It has been clearly proved by scientific experiments that there is no healing power in alcohol, even though the discoverers of this liquid extract thought and proclaimed that they had found at last a panacea, or a cure-all, for every ill that flesh was heir to or afflicted with.

That alcohol is a poison we scarcely need be told at this stage of W. C. T. U. development, and from a scientific view as well as from a Christian stand point. A prominent physician defines a poison to be "a substance, in whatever form it may be, which, when applied to a living surface, disconcerts and disturbs life's healthy movements. Such is alcohol. Such in all its forms, mix it with whatever you may.

In the wonderful make up of our bodies are cells, fibers and fluids.

The cell is the most important structure in the living body. Life resides in the cell. The matter which forms the mass of a cell is called protoplasm or bioplasm, and resembles the white of an egg. Bioplasm is living matter. It is structureless, semi-fluid, transparent and colorless. It is the only matter that can grow, move, divide itself and multiply; the only matter that can take up food and convert it into its own substance, and the only matter that can be nourished. The bioplasm in the cell gets its nourishment by drawing in food through the cell wall, and in that way building up the formed material while it is being disintegrated on the outer surface. The body is kept in repair by this living matter, and all the functions of the body are but the result of its action.

Under the microscope we may see, when bioplasm is immersed in a harmless stimulant solution, the activity is increased, it moves faster, takes up more food and divides more rapidly than in an unstimulated condition. But if an astringent be added it moves more slowly, and soon contracts into a spherical shape and remains contracted, or may move slowly to a limited extent according to the strength of the stringent solution. Then add a relaxant, and gradually the living matter begins to spread in all directions in a lazy-like manner and becomes so thin as to be almost undiscernible, and takes up very little if any food.

Alcohol is ironically called a stimulant, but if we use a weak solution of it, almost instantly the living matter contracts into a ball like mass, and we may conclude that alcohol is an astringent. If we now use the same harmless stimulant as before, which caused it to move faster, etc., it makes no impression; it does not move; it is dead matter.

So we see that alcohol destroys the very life force that alone keeps the body in repair. This can be more clearly demonstrated by immersing the white of an egg (which consists of albumen, and is very similar to bioplasm) in alcohol. Notice it turn white, coagulate and harden.

The same experiment can be made with blood with the same result, killing the blood bioplasts. When taken into the stomach it has the same effect on the blood and all the living tissues in the system as out of it, and this alone is enough to condemn its use as a medicine.

There have been times, when I have thought of the injuries alcohol and drug medication, including the nicotine of tobacco, have done and are doing the human race, it seemed to me I could adopt the sentiment expressed by a noted physician on this subject, when he said, "I am disposed to give up my profession and go forth upon a holy crusade, preaching to all men: 'Beware of these enemies of the race.'"

Under the progressive educative influence of the W. C. T. U. and the medical profession this fight against "Alcohol as Medicine" must go on, to the winning in the battle against "Alcohol as a Beverage," for the two are like the Siamese twins—inseparable, only the latter is upheld by the former.

Skillful, scientific, philanthropic, Christian physicians, such as Dr. B. W. Richardson, of the London Temperance Hospital; Dr. N. B. Davis, Sr., of Chi-



## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION. RECITATION.

Our beautiful and God given earth is being blighted with Satan's strongholds, and oh how deep and how firmly are his roots implanted! Only arms strengthened with power from on high can ever hope to uproot them.

Intemperance is the curse that is bringing our land to ruin. For many years the temperance army has worked from various points, in various directions, only to meet with more bitter opposition. It is now bending its energies to bear upon the foe at a point where he has entered every household in the land.

### ALCOHOL AS A MEDICINE.

Who can count the lives that have been deceived thereby? From time immemorial the potion that should have given life and health has contained this most fatal agent. It has given us a nation of craving appetites. Many doctors have laid up for themselves a fearful retribution.

They, who should have known the dire effects of alcohol upon the system, blindly urged upon the patient that which custom called a tonic.

We are creatures of habit; that which becomes a habit and support in time of weakness, becomes a second nature in time of health. Habits cling to us through life; they follow us like our very shadow.

Men and women who have been redeemed from the curse of drink have been again and again hurled into that awful abyss by the very hand endeavoring to save them. Our land is flooded with literature describing patent medicines. Each one is urged upon our use. Almost every bottle contains alcohol. Is there no escape from this? Must we ignorantly be pushed on to our ruin forever? "Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory," he has sent us enlightenment. We can study and enlarge our minds with knowledge. We have learned how this parasite sucks the life fluids from our bodies, causing a thirst that can never be quenched, a thirst that feeds upon itself.

We have learned how it has dried and deadened man's nervous system and brain, leaving him bereft of his nobler emotions; making him selfish and cruel; causing him to become lower than a beast.

With our knowledge we can teach the rising generation the awful ravages of this monster. Before the evil days come upon them we can warn them of the "traps set to lure our boys to drinking."

It was ignorance of the effect of alcohol that has caused us to be bound as with a chain of iron. Let knowledge be our liberator. Be it known for our encouragement that numbers of our physicians have had the scales fall from their eyes. They have thoroughly tested this matter and have denounced alcohol either as a medicine, food or tonic. Their testimony of its baleful influence upon the system is far reaching and conclusive. It is a true saying that "the key to the temperance reform lies in the hands of the physicians." It is within our power to enlarge this number of converts. Allow no alcoholic medicine to enter our households. Help to make respectable no drug store that deals unscrupulously in this infamous traffic. If it be the Lord's will that our dear ones should return to their Creator, let them go to him sober, free from Satan's most vile bondage.

Unless we displace alcohol as a medicine, we can never banish it as a beverage. The two things are inseparable; one upholds the other. There is no greater hindrance to our success than the general belief in the necessity of alcohol as a medicine. As long as these views are popular, so long will our land be filled with drunkards.

The temperance procession is increasing, slowly but surely. Let us bravely march on with reform, and as some one has aptly said, "those physicians who lag behind must either step up or step out." Can you point out a department that is of more importance, or one that will lead to greater results than this of Non-Alcoholic Medication?

With thankfulness, perseverance and prayer, surely Satan's strongest hold can be banished from our land.

MRS. MARY McDERMID.

Indianapolis, Ind.

## SALOON KEEPER GAVE UP HIS KEYS AT A FREEDOM REVIVAL.

The Rev. P. H. Faulk, pastor of the Baptist Church at Bloomfield, recently closed a revival at Freedom. The revival continued for five weeks, and for three weeks the minister preached on street corners. Seventy-five people were converted, who will join the Baptist Church, and many other converts will become members of other churches.

During one of the meetings a saloon keeper came forward and threw down three keys. "One is to the front door of my saloon," he said; "one is to the rear door, and the third is to the cellar. I will never enter that saloon again."—*Indianapolis News.*

### NOTICE.

Owing to ill health in my family I am obliged to abandon my publishing work. I wish to close out my entire lot of tracts at once, and offer a special less than cost rate on them. "Whiskey" is especially good. I will send them postpaid as follows so long as they last: "Tobacco; Parables, Poems and Pithy Points." Regular price 2½ cents each; special price 75 cents per 100. "Whiskey; Parables, Poems, Facts and Figures." Regular price 5 cents each; special price \$1.00 per 100. They will not last long at this rate, so order early.

EVANGELIST D. E. SCOLES,  
Washburn, Mo.

## OF INTEREST TO LOCAL UNIONS.

The Treasurer has on hand a number of large cards on which is printed the anti-tobacco law. These are on sale at 25 cents by the dozen. Please order. There are a few Willard stick pins at 10 cents each. Please order. Also a number of copies of the State song, words only, and the song named "A Call to Service." Membership cards are 25 cents a hundred. Please order of ALICE RUTH PALMER, Franklin, Ind.

Dear sisters, last year Mrs. M. M. Allen, National Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication, offered a prize of \$10.00 worth of literature to the State securing the most new Superintendents and doing the best work. It will be quite gratifying to you to know that Indiana won at least one-half of this prize. Our sister State just over the line (Ohio) received the other half. What might have been the result had all the Unions reported all the work they had done, I will leave for you to guess. We learn from experience. I am sure this is no exception to the rule and I trust every Union will be on time this year. She cannot afford to not be reported at the close of this year, even though the work done be ever so little. "Little drops of water, little grains of sand, make the mighty ocean and the pleasant land." If every one who reads this will do a little, and every Union do a little, and then report it, can any one imagine what the results will be? May I depend on you for your own special part?

The appointment of the 60 new Superintendents and the work done by them and by the Unions having no Superintendents has been quite a gratification and encouragement. I cannot tell you how much I appreciate your efforts which made it possible for Indiana to carry off a part of the National honors. Have you a Superintendent in your Union? If not and a suitable person cannot be found, then will you not, as a Union, take up this work and hold at least one mothers' meeting on this subject each quarter? The study of the alcohol question is an exceedingly interesting one. No more important question can be brought before the public and none that will be of greater interest if rightly presented. Also at these meetings plan for two fifteen minute or three ten minute speeches or papers, with discussion following each presentation. Urge that every one present take part in the discussion. The meetings on this subject, if well planned and plans well worked, will be the most interesting meetings held by your Union during the year. Do not depend entirely upon public announcements of your meeting. Extend personal, pressing invitations to neighbors and friends. Good music should be a special feature throughout. If refreshments are served, let them be light and inexpensive. Last, but not least, please do not fail to give the press an interesting account of the meeting. Write it up for the *Phalanx* and send it to me for the Non-Alcoholic column. Write it up for the *MESSAGE* and send it to Mrs. L. F. McWhirter. When you have done this I will feel that you have done beautifully. When you have held one each quarter you will have done magnificently.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Thanksgiving Day** was observed at Fairmount by a union service of the churches at the Friends church. The church was tastefully decorated with a great variety and abundance of fruits and vegetables which were given to the W. C. T. U. to distribute to the needy. Nearly thirty families were thus remembered. One of the furniture dealers gave us a fine display dinner, which was given the needy sick, all of which was much appreciated by the recipients, and we think the donors felt truly "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

**A Successful Alliance**—UNION CITY—The Wayne Township Alliance is one of the best in the country. Though it is a country Alliance it has forty-nine members, thirteen of whom are voters. The meetings are in a country school house. The President is a young man of seventeen years of age. New active members are being received at every meeting. The programs are more literary and educational than otherwise. The young people, and even the children, take a part in them. It is felt that great good is being done, especially among boys who are being interested.

**Huntington County** moves on victoriously! The State convention was a source of much inspiration that is being widely felt. While unable to offer fair skies as would have best pleased, the will was good. Financially the county is most flourishing. After paying convention expenses, from the remaining funds \$5.00 was voted to Andrews as a gift for her courageous work. About twenty-five ladies took the trolley to that place, December 1st, and met with that Union, giving the gift mentioned. After a fine program a sumptuous repast was served to the visitors.

**Mrs. Lou Rall**, Huntington, recently presented the beautiful picture of Frances Willard, voted at the State convention, to the Methodist church of Huntington. Huntington Union had it handsomely framed, completing a most elegant gift.

**A new Union** has been added to Huntington's group, known as the College Park Union. Miss Mary Hadley organized it during the convention time, and now it has twenty-five active members, ten of whom are men. Mrs. Rall gave her report of the National at one of its recent meetings.

**Arrangements** are being made to hold the County Institute for Huntington in Markle. There is as yet no organization here, but it is hoped this may result in one. Mrs. Rall believes "it is the early bird that catches the worm," and has begun thus early.

**Lindley Union** observed World's Temperance Sunday by rendering an excellent program. At the close of Sunday school Mrs. Hannah Harper, superintendent of Sunday-school work, assisted by Mrs. Carpenter, conducted unusually interesting class exercises, accompanied by suitable music and followed by a rousing talk by one of the W. C. T. U. members.

**Mrs. Ada L. Squires** has been busy doing most acceptable work at Hendricks and at West Lebanon. Mrs. Squires can do much to arouse an interest in oratorical contest work in any community. Her address is 620 Cherry St., Terre Haute, Ind. Miss Daisy Steadington also arranges classes and trains them for contests. Her address is the same. Now is the time to urge contest work.

**Deer Creek Union**—The program rendered last Sabbath evening at West Branch for the benefit of the Hadley Home was a success. Prof. Tyler, of the Fairmount Academy, gave a very interesting address; several recitations and songs were also given. This year our collection for the school is \$25 or more.

**Mrs. Cammack-Gibson** gave a public meeting at the Christian church at Broad Ripple, November 16, 1902. The meeting was largely attended and was very much appreciated by all. Our W. C. T. U. regular meeting met at the home of Mrs. Brown. We had a good meeting. Two new departments were added. Christian Citizenship, Mrs. Medsker, Superintendent, and Sunday-school work. Our next meeting will be held at the home of our President, Mrs. Kelso. Our Union will offer our services to the Alliance and help with remonstrance.

**Mrs. Eva Evertson**, who was Marion County's President last year, is spending this winter with relatives at Dallas, Texas, after a most enjoyable trip to the Pacific coast. She writes of the White Ribboners she met and says, "Indiana White Ribboners will compare favorably with those of any State. I am anxious to receive the *MESSAGE* and other temperance papers that will put me in touch with our workers. In spite of all the beautiful things I have seen to occupy my mind and attention, I have hungered for your dear faces and a message from you all."

**Greensburg W. C. T. U.** has just had the pleasure and inspiration of a series of meetings, conducted by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, our State Vice-President. On Friday afternoon she addressed the County Teachers' Institute on "Scientific Temperance Instruction" in her usual convincing way. On Saturday afternoon a reception was tendered her in the parlors of the First M. E. Church, to which the women's organizations of the city were invited. On Saturday evening she talked to the members of the G. A. R. in their hall. On Sunday afternoon a grand mass meeting was held in the Presbyterian Church, where Sheldon's matchless story, "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" was presented by her in a most touching and impressive manner. At night Centenary M. E. Church welcomed her. The appreciation of the people was manifested by the crowds which flocked to hear her. We believe Mrs. Stanley's to be one of the strongest minds we have had in our midst. With her keen insight into human nature, her broad survey of the needs of humanity, her intense conviction of human responsibility, her pleasing manner and personality all combine to make her a speaker of great force in the glorious work of the W. C. T. U.

**The Superintendent of Social Purity of La-Porte Union** kindly urges other Unions to take up their plan of having every other meeting conducted by a superintendent of some department. She deems them not only essential but very helpful, both to the leader and to all present. Their next meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Melinda Richway, Superintendent of Systematic Giving.

**Frances E. Willard Union**, Indianapolis, held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Bennett in November. After the business a very interesting Mothers' Meeting was held. These meetings must result in great good.

**Randolph County.** The White Ribboners of this county are doing some good work. A Union of 23 members was organized at Farmland since the County Convention. Mrs. Flood was elected President and Miss Garret, Secretary. The members seem to be very energetic, and we hope that much good may be accomplished. Cedar Union held a Mothers' Meeting December 21. Papers on "Social Purity" and "Tobacco" were read, and recitations, songs and readings were given. An excellent meeting was reported. Winchester Union will organize an L. T. L. the first of the year. Modoc Union held a joint W. and Y. meeting last month. With our four Unions, one Y. and an L. T. L. we hope to keep moving forward on educational lines.

**Mrs. J. M. Carmichael** entertained the Eaton W. C. T. U. at her home on December 18. A three course lunch was served, which was enjoyed by all. Two new members were added to the list. We hope to do more work for our blessed Master next year.

## IN MEMORIAM.

**OLIVE ELLEMAN**—From the cradle roll of the Amboy W. C. T. U., has recently been called by the angel reaper, little Olive Elleman, a sweet little rose bud of only two summers. But she is only transplanted to bloom more beautiful in the paradise of God.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Wine is a Mocker, Strong Drink is Raging and whosoever is Deceived Thereby is not Wise."—Bible.

## Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication.

Prepared by Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, State Superintendent.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JANUARY 1903.

### WE HAVE JOINED YOUR NOBLE ARMY.

By CHARLES A. STORY, M. D.

We have searched the realms of nature—far and wide our search has spread;  
We have analyzed the products that compose our daily bread;  
And examined all the organs of the living and the dead,  
But we fail to find an organ in the human body laid,  
Or an appetite in nature, in its native form arrayed,  
That requires, for its promotion, any alcoholic aid!

We have studied all diseases, as the faithful only can,  
That have blighted human pleasures since the dawn of time began,  
In all our many windings through the fragile frame of man,  
But we fail to find an evil or a pain in all the field,  
Or disease, mild or malignant, whether open or concealed,  
That requires the poison alcohol to hasten it to yield.

We have found in all our studies that the poison is a blight  
That enfeebles every organ, burns its vigor, rots its might,  
And that darkens all the future with the heavy pall of night;  
That it certainly exposes (thus the book of nature saith)  
Its victims to diseases that will steal away its breath,  
And drag them down in sorrow to the iron gates of death!

You have waited for our councils, waited patiently and long,  
For the voice of careful science to denounce the giant wrong;  
And it has our condemnation, earnest, pious and strong!  
We have joined your noble army, with the strength that  
within us lies,  
To subdue the fell destroyer that the laws of health defies,  
And to urge the war with vigor till the giant evil dies!

—Selected.

### LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL SUPER-INTENDENT OF NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.



I congratulate you upon gaining the national prize of this department, even though it had to be divided with Ohio. The prizes for the present year you will find mentioned elsewhere in this paper. Your State has put one of its very best workers at the head of this department and I hope you will all encourage her to the utmost. There is no more hopeful line of work than this of trying to banish alcohol from the medicine chest. When we convince people that it is never necessary to use any intoxicating drink in time of illness, and that it is often detrimental to recovery to do so, we have them where they can never be deceived into drunkenness. A person may sign a pledge to abstain from whisky, beer, wine, etc., as a beverage, yet be led into drunkenness through using these things as medicine, and many are innocently led to ruin by this path. Multitudes of women, as well as men, are forming an alcoholic appetite through using disguised whisky and wine in the form of patent medicines. If the W. C. T. U. does not warn against these dangers, who will?

I hope every local Union will devote at least two meetings this year to the study of non-alcoholic literature. There will be several new leaflets—"Alcohol and Nursing Mothers," "Alcohol in Children's Diseases," by a famous specialist, and one designed for private circulation among young women. They will be sold as cheaply as possible—about 30 cents a hundred, I should think—so you should purchase a good supply for putting into letters and giving to neighbors. The "Safe Remedies" leaflet answered questions as to what to do in illness where liquor is generally considered essential, and it should be widely circulated. The department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," should be owned by every white ribboner, as it is packed with most valuable and interesting information from successful physicians. It is being used by many Unions for ten or fifteen minute readings at every meeting. I have taken the sale of this book from Haskell & Son, the publishers, so please remember to order it from your Indiana State agent, Amanda T. Whitson, and not from them.

The greatest encouragement we now have is the outspoken condemnation of alcohol as medicine by some of the great specialists of Europe. Among these is Prof. Max Kassowitch, of Vienna, who says: "I have not prescribed alcohol for my patients for more than twelve years, and can affirm positively that they have fared well under this change of treatment. Since I formerly followed the universal practice, I am competent to make comparisons, and these speak uncondi-

tionally in favor of treatment without alcohol." He asserts that the common teaching that alcoholic drinks are nourishing or strengthening is a grave scientific error, the removal of which is the most important preliminary condition to an effectual battle against alcoholism.

The Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication holds the same opinion as Prof. Kassowitch, that the medical profession has made, and a large section of it is still making, a grave scientific error in ascribing nourishing and strengthening properties to alcoholic drinks, and the great aim of this department is to disabuse the public mind of such error, especially as it applies to the use of these drinks during illness. If every white ribboner in Indiana will thoroughly inform herself upon this subject and then do all in her power, seeking Divine wisdom, to pass along the facts to others, there will be a marvelous change of sentiment in your State in a few years. Who will help this year? Hoping to hear of grand work,

MARTHA M. ALLEN.

Syracuse, N. Y.

### PRIZE RECITATION No. 1.

#### NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

"Alcohol is born of decay and decomposition. It is a deceitful and virulent poison and is often used in connection with other drugs. Alcohol benumbs sensation and its action upon the red corpuscles, which take up oxygen in the blood and convey it through the body, mingles these little messengers from fully purifying the system. Alcohol shrivels and hardens these little cells so that they cannot take up as much oxygen as they otherwise would. It likewise weakens the heart structure." These are a few of the many reasons "why alcohol is dangerous as a medicine," given by Mrs. Martha M. Allen in her able booklets on that subject. But let us look around us and see the harm wrought by alcoholic medication on our acquaintances and then draw our own inferences.

A delicate babe contracted a slight fever. The alarmed mother hastily called a physician. He mixed some medicine with alcohol and gave it to the child. The undiluted antidote might have been beneficial, but the poisonous alcohol blazed through the soft, immature tissues of the infant like a simoom over young, tender herbage. The child soon lay cold in death. "I cannot give up my baby!" shrieked the mother. "He had so many pretty, loving little ways. All the time he seems near me, and yet when I try to clasp him to my aching heart my arms are empty." Thus with many tears and moans she gave the child back to Heaven.

But King Alcohol laughed derisively. "Ha! ha! ha! What fools these mortals be! It was I that poisoned the delicate babe. King Satan could not have deadened the tender thing quicker. Had the infant been tougher, I might have left him life with some painful and lingering disease. Had he been uncommonly coarse and uncommonly strong, I might have given him a lasting appetite for myself in all my deceitful disguises. I might have made cruelty so active throughout his nature that he would never try to relieve human suffering. I might have given him such a propensity for blood that he would never be influenced by humane sentiment. In this way I help on King Satan's affairs on earth more adroitly than in any other manner."

A tired middle aged worker came to his home at the beginning of twilight. The day's business conflict had seemed to him very hard and disagreeable. Prowling eyes had glared at him with wolfish spite. Sharp, harsh words had rasped his ears and angered his mind. He forgot Christ's patience under unkind treatment and retorted fiercely, like a wild animal, and to-night he was so fatigued that he could scarcely breathe. "Mix a soothing powder in a little alcohol," he bade his wife as soon as he was within doors. She hastily complied with his request, and when he complained of his heart she led him to bed. He rapidly grew worse and sent for a doctor, who likewise prescribed alcoholic medicine. He lived but a few days longer and learned men pronounced his death a case of "heart failure." "Heavenly Father," cried the agonized widow, "who is to care for my helpless children and myself?"

But King Alcohol again laughed. "Ha! ha! ha! These mortals are nothing unless ridiculous. That man was well enough, but he liked me—believed that I was necessary to his health! I deceitfully weakened his heart structure. Indeed, I am responsible for many heart failures."

A housekeeper had become so exhausted cleaning house that she ached from head to foot when it was at last finished. Her husband kept intoxicants in his cellar, for he was a politician and used to say that fermented liquors were political machinery oil. She had wondered to see men quaff this fiery stuff at their table, and though many of them grew muddled in their reasoning, they always voted as her husband directed. She concluded to strengthen herself by drinking some of the political machinery oil. After imbibing a liberal potation she reclined on a lounge, where

she was afterward found by her husband. He looked grave, but did not understand her danger. "I use alcoholic stimulants to influence the rabble and gain power for myself, but I should not think it wisdom for you to partake of the seductive liquids." The poisonous drug rapidly deadened sensation in her wearied form and she suddenly died. Then her husband sobbed, "I selfishly dug a pit for my neighbors and my beloved fell into it." Her children knelt over her remains and cried, "How can we live in this world without a mother?"

But King Alcohol laughed. Ha! ha! ha! How foolish are these mortals! That man has helped to guide the affairs of his State, but he does not know that I injure the guardian white blood cells of the body. The work of these cells is to destroy bacteria and other noxious organisms within the blood and tissues. These enclose, disintegrate and absorb the enemy. Even very diluted solutions of myself will paralyze these cells so as to prevent them from attacking invading microbes. But sin thrives by ignorance and my suggestions."

A temperate couple who followed in Christ's footsteps, who strove neither for great riches nor for what the world calls power, made all happy with whom they came in contact. They treated each other with honesty, sympathy and equality, so that their children always had pleasant memories of their home lives. No alcohol was stored in their dwelling nor contaminated their lips. They saw what a curse it was. When King Alcohol saw these persons he made up a very wry face. "If there were many such," he said, "I should be forced to retire to King Satan's regions. The world would change to one of peace, happiness and harmony." MRS. JOSEPHINE R. FULLER.

Knox, Ind.

The National officers realizing the great importance of more work being done in this department, sent out the following letter and urged that every physician in the United States be furnished with a copy:

#### TO THE PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED STATES.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has been active for 27 years in combating the evils of alcoholic liquor drinking. Among its most effective allies have been those physicians who do not prescribe alcoholic liquors, allowing alcohol a very limited sphere of usefulness, or none at all.

We are endeavoring to bring the teachings of such physicians to the people and we believe that much good is being accomplished thereby. It is apparent, however, that if the evils of liquor drinking (ill health, poverty, insanity and crime) are ever to be fully abated, the medical profession must take a more active part in this much desired reform. They, more than others, can disabuse the public mind of old-time errors concerning the use of or necessity for alcohol either as a beverage or for medicinal purposes. It would seem to be the duty of those to whom the public looks for guidance in all things pertaining to health, to continue to make the most careful investigations of the nature of alcohol and its effects upon the human system, and to see to it that their medical practice and teaching, as well as their personal example, is upon the side of safety.

The New York School of Clinical Medicine, a post-graduate college for physicians, has just now opened a new department for the study of the constitutional effects of alcohol and other drugs.

An eminent Russian physician, in a paper read before the International Medical Congress, held at Moscow August, 1897, said: "The struggle against alcoholism merits as much attention on the part of the medical profession as that against the various epidemics, and the success of the struggle is impossible without the active sympathies of the medical profession."

Realizing the truth of the foregoing statement, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at the beginning of this new century, appeals to physicians to aid in the efforts being made to remove as far as possible all tendencies and temptations toward the formation of the drink habit. The medical profession can wield a powerful influence by bringing to the knowledge of the people the consensus of scientific opinion and practical observation, on the disastrous results which follow the habitual and indiscriminate use of alcohol.

Particularly would we ask physicians to warn parents against the home prescription of alcohol and against the use of proprietary medicines containing alcohol or other narcotic drugs, by showing them the danger and by teaching them a better way.

We respectfully ask that this appeal be published in all medical journals, and that it be brought before National, State and County Medical Societies for discussion.

With profound respect for your honorable profession, and with hope for your active co-operation in this work, we are,

Sincerely yours,

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS, Pres. Nat. W. C. T. U.  
SUSANNA M. D. FRY, Corresponding Secretary.

Every Union should own a copy of "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine."

Alcohol has no Food Properties and does not Assimilate.



cago; Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, and others who might be mentioned, have prepared strong weapons in the form of scientific experimental investigations. If these valuable weapons are used persistently and prayerfully by all temperance workers until the whole medical fraternity refuses alcoholic medication in all its forms, then the cause of total abstinence will receive such an impetus as it has never had in all its history, and the medical fraternity see to it that the laws placing restrictions on certain systems of healing be repealed, and recognizing the truth of the source of all healing power in God, and communicated by him to the living body, and with the Psalmist adopt the language, "Bless the Lord who healeth all thy diseases."

REBECCA STREET, M. D.,  
Kokomo, Ind.

#### PAREGORIC—ITS COMPOSITION.

There are many mothers, nurses and others who have charge of children and who readily give paregoric to their children, who would hesitate to do so if they knew that the active ingredients of that drug are alcohol and opium. Below is the composition of paregoric, taken from United States Dispensatory, which speaks for itself:

##### PAREGORIC, (Ingredients and Proportion.)

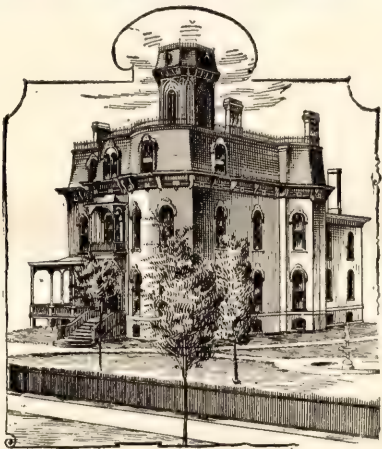
Powdered Opium, grains.....	.62
Dilute Alcohol (to make 33 ozs.) oz.....	.33
Benzoic Acid, grains.....	.62
Camphor .....	.62
Oil of Anise, drops.....	.65
Glycerine.....	.01

The opium has the chief narcotic effect, and the alcohol is next in its sedative effect.

An ounce (tablespoonful) of paregoric contains nearly two grains of powdered opium. Children who are given paregoric will soon cry for the opium and alcohol it contains.

Giving paragaric to children is the kindergarten school to make drunkards and opium eaters. BEWARE!

#### NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1902.



FRANCES WILLARD NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL.

It will be difficult to tell you in the ten minutes allotted to the report of a year of hard, aggressive work in our hospital all, or indeed scarcely to touch on the most important points.

To begin with, the word advance must be distinctly written above and over all I shall say, for this has been a year distinctly encouraging, and marked advancement will be shown and read between the lines, not in a boastful spirit—far from it—for each year comes freighted with its peculiar trials, tending to show us our frailties and "muddy crossings" at which we instinctively pause to pick our way. Three hundred and fifteen patients have been treated during the year, with a death rate of less than 4½%, which is comparatively very low, proving that it is safe to avoid alcoholic remedies. In this there can be no risk, notwithstanding the occasional newspaper report of the enormous death rate of the Temperance hospitals.

Throughout the year the services of Superintendent of Training School have been of a most excellent grade. Activity and higher standards have brought our class of twelve nurses to an enviable position among those of their profession. They have been honored, by preference, of other hospitals by our staff physicians in calls for private practice, all of which has been most gratifying to the trustees, whose aim has been to reach this high mark.

Each nurse now wears the White Ribbon, and is being educated in the "Y" work by the efforts of our most worthy White Ribbon matron, who is a delegate to this convention.

She has shown thrift and economy, with a general interest which has been instrumental in keeping the Hospital out of debt, with no complaint from patients, or household, of the food, either in quantity or quality, which leads one to say that to "look well to the ways of her household" is ideal womanhood.

The house physician's services have been excellent; harmony and a right spirit have permeated the institution, bringing blessings in its train. The expense of supporting the institution this last year has been not far from ten thousand dollars. Bills have been met with considerable satisfaction, and the strain has been much lighter upon the trustees than in former years, none of whom receive compensation other than

the reflex blessing which the Master never fails to give his workers.

These ladies give time, money and much valuable service to this work, because they, too, see the great need, and have answered the call "Here am I; use me."

A most generous donation of two hundred dollars was given early in the year by the women of California. Seldom, if ever, has the Hospital received so telling a gift. This amount, with fifty dollars added, equipped the operating room with instruments and furniture most essential in major operations. The additions have brought a most desirable line of operations most advantageous to the general work. This gift was made in honor of Henrietta Skelton, whom the California sisters wished to thus remember.

The bed endowed by the ever loyal State of Illinois, and one by Mrs. J. B. Hobbs, of Chicago, enable us to have free patients, which is one of the most pleasant duties of the entire work.

This month, while visiting the hospital and carefully inspecting each room with the Superintendent, several facts were noticeable, such as the good house-keeping, the liberal supply of bright screens in the wards, the spotless beds with new covers and fresh blankets, the windows with pretty sash curtains, new rugs before some of the beds, made out of old carpets, all largely through the efforts of our working force, shows that they love the work and take an interest in it.

The old threadbare story of alcoholics being served surreptitiously to the patients has, I believe, died and been buried. It may have been treated with alcoholics and died for that reason. At any rate, we have not heard of it through the year.

Of course we are occasionally asked what is the Temperance Hospital living for, any way? And we answer:

First, according to Miss Willard's first inception of the idea of organizing a hospital to prevent men (and women, too,) from becoming drunkards through the physician's prescriptions, and to convert physicians themselves, who in turn convert multitudes of their patients; to educate the masses of people in the great principle of non-alcoholic remedies. Think you the Hospital has lived in vain? A thousand no's. We have built better than we knew, and the principle which will now stand for all time is a bright and shining light to this and all coming ages of the great work of the W. C. T. U.

The principles demonstrated by the Hospital are most distinctively the heart principles of our great organization. We cannot go back; we must go forward. Larger and better accommodations must be provided.

If every one of our women for one year would send five cents to the treasurer, a new building, thoroughly equipped, would be the result. Our land is paid for, and a small health growing fund in hand toward this object.

Sisters, send in your own and your neighbors' nickles this year, and we will speedily show you, with the Master's blessing, what the Hospital trustees can and will do without burden to any one.

MRS. MARGARET INGLEHART,  
President Hospital Board.

#### OUR PLEDGE.

I am glad to note the growing sentiment with our Indiana women to drop out the words, "as a beverage," from one form of our pledges. Some States have already done this. Indiana does not want to be behind, especially in so important a work as this. It is being clearly demonstrated by our most eminent scientists, physicians and surgeons that alcohol is not necessary as a medicine. Our National Superintendent says in one of her reports, "Strike out from the pledges the phrase, 'as a beverage.' Alcohol is not good either as medicine or as food. The body requires no alcohol under any circumstances. When the majority of the people believe this we shall banish liquors from use, and not before." Our National President, in her address before the Texas convention, most heartily urged that greater attention be given to the Non-Alcoholic Department. The National Temperance Hospital is clearly demonstrating the fact that patients can be successfully treated without the use of alcohol. One form of our pledge allows the use of alcohol as a medicine, yet we have a department of Non-Alcoholic Medication in State and Nation which says, "No alcohol should be used as a medicine." Think about it and let us educate on this line.

A. T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

Where alcohol is used the mortality is great. Some recover in spite of its use.—Selected.

Many an appetite is created for alcohol by its use in the sick room.

Dear Co-worker:

The more you study this department of Non-Alcoholic Medication, the more you will be convinced of its great importance to the temperance reform and the more you will become interested in its advancement. Much work and education is required to arouse the people on this subject. I am glad, as Superintendent of this department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, to do all I can; but with the small means at my disposal the work I can do is small compared with what should be done. The State W. C. T. U. appropriation of only \$5.00 will meet only a part of my postage. In studying over this matter I have wondered if there were not many in this State who would gladly make a donation to help push this very work. Possibly there are many who have homes, or have observed the homes of some near friend who have been touched by this hidden foe, who would like to help banish it from the kitchen, from the prescriptions of doctors and its use as a common home remedy.

I present this subject to you earnestly and prayerfully and ask you to consider it earnestly and prayerfully also. The donation of \$5.00 or \$1.00 would prove a great blessing, first to the cause and second to you for the giving. By faith and some practical encouragement, we are sending out six thousand copies of the Special Non-Alcoholic Issue of the MESSAGE, the State W. C. T. U. organ of Indiana. We desire to repeat this two or three times this year and will if we receive the needed encouragement. Any donations may be sent to the undersigned, who will make prompt acknowledgment. Thanking you in advance, for any assistance and co-operation, I am,

Yours to serve,

MRS. AMANDA T. WHITSON,

3335 N. Meridian st., Indianapolis, Ind.

State Superintendent Non-Alcoholic Medication.

NOTE--I know of no better educational work against the liquor traffic than that which the State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication is doing. Let us help her most cordially,

HOMER J. HALL, M. D.  
Late Chairman of Indiana.

Nearly all Patent Medicines contain Alcohol or some other Dangerous Drugs. Beware!

Are we Deceived by Alcohol as a Medicine?



## TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF MOTHERS' MEETINGS AND PURITY.

Dear Sisters: I want to speak to every one of you through the MESSAGE with regard to report blanks. The plan of reporting has been changed. I send the blanks to the County Superintendent, she to the Local. Then the Local will report to the County, and the County to me. Hitherto there seemed to be no place for County Superintendent or report blanks, but now, dears, please show your efficiency by being both prompt and accurate in your reports to me. Keep your reports carefully, so that when summing up the work at the close of the year I will know what Superintendent held the most Mothers' Meetings, also the one who enrolled the most children in the W. R. C. R. The State has combined Purity and Mothers' Meetings. Some counties have and some have not. As far as the list has been furnished me for either I have sent blanks to both, one blank for every quarter for every Union, taking the Treasurer's report for the number of Unions. Don't lay your blanks away and forget or lose them, but see that there is something done in your community for God and home in the interest of purity and for the mothers and babies. It would be a good plan to have a circulating library, or have a shelf called mother's shelf, well supplied with such books as Dr. Mary Wood-Allen's, or "The Twentieth Door," by Sheldon; "Stepping Heavenward," Mrs. Prentiss; "Self and Sex" series, by Sylvanus Stall, D. D.; "Children's Rights," by Kate Douglas Wiggin. "Oh, the good we all may do while the days are going by" if we have the love of Jesus to prompt us. Yours for service.

MRS. S. M. STAHL,  
State Superintendent.  
Hartford City.

## CONTESTS.

I have been requested to put my address in the MESSAGE, as some of the workers do not yet know of whom to order books, medals, etc. Your letters reach me when directed to Muncie alone, but I think it much safer to add "1330 E. Washington St." I am much encouraged by the letters from different parts of the State, and mean to press forward in our Master's name and do all I can to put down this dreadful curse which blights all it touches. Let us take courage and seek to know our Father's will and prayerfully do it. Lovingly,

MRS. CORA M. STEELE.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION CONFERENCE AT PORTLAND, ME.

(Continued from December number, 1902.)

Motion carried that the required reading of the *Young Crusader* for the seal course for diploma be optional.

Committee appointed to revise the Organizers' outfit and change to L. T. L. outfit.

L. T. L. extension fund was continued and a protest made against any change.

Vote of thanks sent Mrs. Benjamin for her parliamentary drills and she be asked to continue her articles.

Mr. Shattuck, of Cornell University, said New York has 165 Legions; enrolled members, 5,000.

Editor of *Young Crusader* would like to have photos of State L. T. L. leaders and organizers.

Mrs. Preston said Pennsylvania has 10,000 L. T. L. members.

Fishing club recommended here: Every one that brings in a new member can have a "gold star." Get Father, and Mother and grown people for honorary members.

Two L. T. L.'s were organized in Portland, a Junior and a Senior. Great interest manifested in both.

"L. T. L. Diploma and Seal Courses" was changed to "L. T. L. Diploma and Post-graduate Reading Courses."

Ohio has gained 489 new members this year.

Maine L. T. L. Rally Cry: "Maine! Maine!! Here we come, to drive right out Tobacco and Rum. Our heads are clear, our hearts are true; we'll stand for the Right the whole world through."

The L. T. L. and Y. meeting Saturday night was a grand success. The chorus, by 200 children of Portland, was a taking feature. Several songs were sung by them, each one acted out. Bells were used by them in the song "The Temperance Bells," handkerchiefs in "The Ship" and flags in the "Flag" song. These children showed careful training and much preparation.

Mr. Shattuck, President of the New York Senior L. T. L., said Senior L. T. L.'s teach young people to think, and the highway robber is a credit to the man who votes to perpetuate the dram shop.

Miss Bessie Palmer, President of Illinois Seniors, told the story of her father's life, and how, after his early life was wasted in dissipation, he reformed, married, and that she was consecrated by him to the Temperance work before her birth.

Rev. Burns, of Pennsylvania, said children are often loved because of their parents, and the L. T. L.'s are loved because of their Mother W. C. T. U. Wherever the L. T. L. banner is seen floating in the breeze there the battle is the thickest.

Some one else, during the Convention, told of an L. T. L. parade: A saloon-keeper, seeing the children marching with banners and songs, said, "Well! That beats the Devil!"

On Friday night about 75 boys from the L. T. L. Maine Reform School for Boys were present, and their songs and yells were much appreciated and enthusiastically cheered.

Lady Henry Somerset said "there is no suffering from the drink traffic so severe as that of the children."

Massachusetts took the Membership banner this year.

Each State, as introduced, gave its L. T. L. mottoes and rally cry. The children brought sunshine and brightness to this great Convention.

I am very grateful to Mrs. Jennie Ridgway, of Amboy, for this excellent report of the L. T. L. Conferences held at our National Convention, as well as three beautiful souvenirs, from the homes of Mrs. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon and the White Mountains, in Vermont. As Miss Hillis, our State President, nor myself could go, Mrs. Ridgway was chosen as our delegate. Read the report carefully, and see the position Indiana has with amount of dues paid. Our Senior dues were left out entirely, on account of the State Treasurer not sending in until the National books had closed. There was a great deal of work done over the State that was not reported in time for our reports.

Dear Sisters—Let us be prompt this year, and bring the work in Indiana to the front. How would our Indiana Roll of Honor look by the side of Mrs. Preston's from Pennsylvania—fifty Legions paying dues on all pledged members, while our Roll showed three at State Convention. Other Legions had paid, but failed to make report. Let us keep an account of all work done, and when blanks are sent you please fill out and return before it is too late.

IDA M. MIX,  
State L. T. L. Secretary.

## ITEMS FROM PLAN OF WORK.

### TEMPERANCE REVIVALS.

Let every Union hold a week of temperance revival meetings during the winter months, such meetings to be a campaign for pledge signing, the distribution of temperance literature and the proclaiming of the doctrine of legal prohibition. Every Union which will hold such a revival shall receive a package of pledge cards and temperance literature.

### GAINS IN MEMBERSHIP.

The Union making the greatest gain in paid members shall have the custody of the state banner for the year.

The Union making the largest gain in honorary membership shall receive a copy of the life of Hon. Jno. G. Woolley.

Any Union making a gain of ten paid members in any quarter of the year shall have a State speaker by paying car fare only.

## PREMIUMS FOR BEST WORK.

To the County Superintendent of two or more Unions who has secured an active superintendent in every Union and has held two contests on this subject with an admission fee, who can report the work presented by paper, at the Spring Institute and Fall Convention by some one not the Institute leader, who will send to the State Superintendent within two weeks a copy of these papers together with a short write up of the presentation of the Non-Alcoholic Department at these meetings for the *Phalanx* and MESSAGE, and who will fill out and return promptly all blanks, including Institute blanks, sent out by the State Superintendent, I will give one dollar's worth of literature, the same to be selected by the State Superintendent.

To the Local Superintendent or Local Union who has held one or more contests on the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication, who has held two or more Parlor Meetings, who has distributed at least 200 pages of non-alcoholic literature, who has reported all work done to the County Superintendent when there is one, and to the State Superintendent if there is no County Superintendent, who will furnish the State Superintendent with a write up of each meeting held for publication in the *Phalanx* and MESSAGE, and who will send to her address within two weeks a copy of each paper read, I will give one dollar's worth of literature, the same to be selected by the State Superintendent.

To the county having an active Superintendent with an active local Superintendent in every Union, and which reports best work done in the State, will be given two dollars' worth of literature.

To the Local Union with an active Superintendent that reports best work done in the State will be given two dollars' worth of literature.

For the second best reports of County and Local Superintendents, according to above proposition, will be given a copy of "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," compiled by National Superintendent Martha M. Allen.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Supt. Non-Alcoholic Medication.

Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, our State Evangelistic Superintendent, is winsome in manners and in a pleasing, earnest way conducts meetings of much spiritual power. She has spent some time at Muncie, Albany and Bluffton, where the audiences were large and greatly interested. The State President of Louisiana W. C. T. U. is writing for Mrs. Haughton to go down there and help the Unions in evangelistic services. Indiana cannot afford to let her go. We need her in our own Unions.

## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION LITERATURE.

Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine, 19 chapters, 429 pages. \$1.25

Safe Remedies, 17 pages with cover. \$1 per 100.

The Danger of Patent Medicines. 60 cents per 100.

Reasons why Alcohol is Dangerous as Medicine. 60 cents per 100.

Is Alcohol Useful or Necessary as Medicine? 60 cents per 100.

Alcohol and Children. 40 cents per 100.

Alcohol Not a Food. 20 cents per 100.

Death Rates With and Without Alcohol. 25 cents per 100.

Alcohol Not Needed in Medicine. 30 cents per 100. Sample package leaflets with Plan of Work, 10 cents.

For books and leaflets, send to Mrs. M. M. Allen, 348 Delaware street, Syracuse, N. Y.

All profits from sales go to help the department work.

In this day sobriety has come pretty nearly to mean total abstinence. As a cold business proposition, great corporations and private firms are enforcing practical abstinence. They demand such a condition of their employes that practically any drink at all becomes too much drink. Science has come from another direction to support the same end. The old idea of the efficacy of moderate drinking finds no support in modern medical science. "A man is as old as his arteries" is a saying well known in medicine. When the arteries take on the ossified character the end is at hand. Now, modern science says that frequent indulgence in alcohol tends to produce arterial ossification.—Selected.

## WHISKY MADE IN INDIANA.

The Terre Haute revenue district is now second in the country in annual receipts. The Peoria (Ill.) district is first. John R. Bonnell, collector at Terre Haute, says the average daily receipts for his district now reach \$80,000. The receipts for the current year will probably exceed \$19,000,000.

The Terre Haute district is second because of two large distilleries at Terre Haute and one at Vincennes. The two Terre Haute distilleries are now grinding 15,000 bushels of corn a day. The Vincennes distillery grinds 3,000. Each bushel makes five gallons of "spirits," and the government receives \$1.10 in revenue for each gallon.

The receipts are at the top notch now because the distilleries are running at capacity. But in the summer time, when they are not so busy, the receipts from them are over \$60,000 a day. The receipts of the Peoria district are greater because it has more large distilleries.

The annual receipts of the Lawrenceburg district, of which A. E. Newlin, of Lawrenceburg, is collector, are about \$10,000,000.—Ex.

## COPY OF NON-ALCOHOL MEDICATION REPORT BLANK.

1. Name of Local Union? Name of County?
2. Name of Local Superintendent? Postoffice address?
3. How many pages of literature distributed? What leaflet has been most helpful?
4. How many meetings of Union devoted to this department? How many a portion of the time?
5. How many original papers on this subject read before the Union?
6. How many parlor meetings held on this subject?
7. Was this department presented at your Spring Institute? Was it presented at the Fall Convention? How?
8. How many Non-Alcoholic Medication contests held? How many debates?
9. Have you held a 20th century reception for physicians?
10. Have you a copy of "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine?" Do you read from it at Union meetings? Have you loaned, sold or given this book to physicians?
11. What have you done to interest those outside of the W. C. T. U. circles in favor of non-alcoholic medication?
12. What have you done to interest teachers, ministers and editors on this subject?
13. How many articles in the press upon this subject?
14. Have any women been led by your efforts to cease using alcohol as medicine or in cooking?
15. Do you know of any persons led into drunkenness through using liquor as medicine?
16. Is there a medical college in your city? How many of its professors and students favor non-alcoholic medication?
17. Does your physician use alcoholic medicines? Have you asked him not to administer any to yourself or family?
18. Has any literature been given him on this subject?
19. How much money raised for this department? How raised?
20. Is the interest in this department growing in your community?

Remarks on the other side. Please return this blank, filled out, by the 15th of December, March, June and September to the State Superintendent.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
3335 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.





STATE SUPERINTENDENT, AMANDA T. WHITSON, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Have you an Active Superintendent of this Department?

Every chemist knows that most of the liquid patent medicines contain alcohol in a greater or less quantity.

The use of blood letting and the prescribing of alcohol as a medicine began with the same medical men, and they both should have practically ceased together.

Alcohol is not a true stimulant, but a narcotic. Still in a certain sense it is both a stimulant and a narcotic; it stimulates death and narcotizes life.

As long as physicians prescribe alcohol in preparations when people are sick, they will prescribe it for themselves when well.

No mother would allow wine or whisky in her home if she realized the danger of its creating an appetite for strong drink among her own loved ones.

Experienced and capable medical men tell us that all that is necessary to lead our good doctors to cease prescribing alcoholic preparations is an honest, independent investigation.

If you want a family to degenerate into a worthless class, encourage them to use alcoholic beverages moderately.

If either the preachers, the lawyers or the doctors would each tell what they know professionally about the evil effects of alcohol upon human society, it would be enough to arouse the people so they would arise in their might and put an end to the legal existence of the saloon.

The White Ribbon host would add twenty-five per cent to their useful educational work if they would individually take a heroic stand against the use of alcoholic preparations as a medicine.

Recently a physician in Indiana was called to see a girl of 14 whom he found dangerously ill with delirium tremens. She had been given whisky freely for three weeks by direction of another physician.

The use of alcohol internally leads to mental, moral and physical decay.

The good law, secured mostly by the influence of the W. C. T. U., requiring the effects of alcohol and narcotics be taught in the public schools, is largely nullified at present by license party politics.

The use of brandy, wine, etc., in cooking is even more dangerous in forming the alcoholic habit than prescribing alcoholic preparations as a medicine.

Beware of the wine sauces in hotels. It is one of Satan's alluring plans of creating an appetite for strong drink among many good people.

The laws of heredity and observation teach us that the greatest sufferer from alcoholic beverages is not the drunken father himself, but his children and his children's children.

In the great battle between Alcohol and Non-Alcoholic Medication, the former has big guns, but no ammunition except blank cartridges; while we have a supply of ammunition as inexhaustible as death and disease.—*The Pacific Ensign*.

#### SPECIAL OFFER.

This department will pay the traveling expense to the next State Convention for the County or Local Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication who makes the best report on all lines of work in this department during the year, and who shall send to the State Superintendent on or before July 1, 1903, the best original paper on this subject, prepared by the Superintendent or some one else in the county, said paper never having appeared in print before.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

Please preserve this issue for future use in your Union work. If you do not want the copy yourself file it with your Secretary.

#### PRIZE RECITATION No. 2.

##### NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

It has long since been demonstrated in the biological laboratories the effects of alcohol on living matter. Living matter is that minute portion of sub-

stance through which life manifests itself, and it is the component part of the cell. And the cell is the unit of life through which function is performed. The cell is the physiological unit of organization and the structural unit of specialized function. Whatever is destructive of the cell is destructive of its activities and influence upon other cells. Perfect health depends upon the whole organic structure being in a state of natural vigor, endowed by an all-wise Creator with that undefinable characteristic which we call life.

As every organ of the body is dependent on every other organ of the body, and if one suffers the whole body suffers, then it is plain to see that anything which does not act as a food to the weakened matter is destructive, and through the correlation of cells the whole body succumbs to the injury.

It has been argued by medical authorities that alcohol is a food. But if it were a food, a continued use of it would demonstrate a different result upon animal life than it does. Every medical agent has an inherent property peculiar to itself and it does not matter how small the quantity that is taken, the effect is the same upon living matter as far as it goes.

Alcohol is at first exhilarating to the matter of the nerve cells, consequently stimulating, but its power is soon exhausted and the cell left like the poor Samaritan who fell among thieves, wounded and half dead. It takes more stimulation next time to arouse it to functional activity.

When the cells composing the organs of digestion are impaired, by the direct contact with alcohol in any form, their power to act upon food, to assimilate it for other tissues of the body, is weakened. Thus follows lower vitality, and the body becomes a prey to disease. Every tissue cries out for help. Mental sensibility is blunted and the way is paved for moral degeneration.

The basis of our thought, action, habit and character is largely what we eat and drink. Think it over and you will see the truthfulness of the statement.

A gardener, in starting his young plants, is careful to give them the proper care and environment, making every condition favorable to their growth. Yet how many a mother there is who seeks to quiet the little one by giving it some potent nostrum such as Bromidia, which softens brain structure; Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, Jayne's Expectorant, Paregoric, Paine's Celery Compound and a whole list which fill the daily papers and circulars with their glaring advertisements and testimonials. The principal ingredients of the above preparations are alcohol and opium. The amount of patent medicines used by the American people is appalling. The pharmaceutical chemists and factories are busy twenty-four hours a day making all kinds of nostrums and lozenges for people to prescribe for their own individual ailments.

One remedy or set of remedies on general principles will not meet the needs of every case, consequently the error. The victim suddenly awakens to the fact that he has lost the power of some organ of the body and calls a physician, who after examining the patient finds him beyond restoration.

Over nine-tenths of the patent medicine is of largest per cent alcohol. Is it any wonder that, when infants are given all sort of nostrums for their childish complaints which could be remedied by very simple means in the way of diet, clothing and bathing, that they develop the taste for strong drink and tobacco? What kind of characteristics may we expect this generation to impart to their offspring. The advanced step which the medical profession is to take in this century is to relegate alcoholic medication to the past together with other practices, which in the light of present knowledge is ignorance.

Other remedial agents are taking the place of alcohol, which do not leave a blighting effect on the body or endanger the moral character of the patient. I would sooner see a child of mine die with disease than undertake to restore it with brandy and thereby endanger its life by a remedy which may damn its soul. This statement may seem strong to some, but according to the living witnesses and dead ones too, alcohol destroys more lives than it ever saves. It deepens more diseases of the body than it ever cures.

Beware of alcohol, whether administered in medicine or how—there is a deadly poison serpent there.

DR. M. F. WOODARD.

Bloomington, Ind.

#### CASH PRIZES

For stories, poems and orations for the Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication of the National W. C. T. U.

1. For the best story showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, \$12.00.
2. For the best humorous article, suitable for recitation, showing the evils and absurdities of the use of patent medicines containing alcohol, opium, cocaine or other dangerous drugs, \$12.00.
3. For the best poem, suitable for recitation, showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, \$10.00.
4. For the best oration showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, including alcoholic patent medicines or fraudulent medicines, \$10.00.

#### CONDITIONS.

Each story, poem, humorous article or oration must contain at least 800 words, and not more than 1,400, and must never have appeared in print. All manuscripts must be sent to the undersigned by June 1, 1903, and each must be accompanied by \$1.25, for which a copy of the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," will be sent to the address given by the contestant. Prize winners will be announced in the *Union Signal*. A committee

of three judges will decide upon the manuscripts. Writers are expected to show the danger of the home prescription of alcoholics, as well as the professional.

M. M. ALLEN,  
National Superintendent.

#### HEALTH OR WHISKY—WHICH?

A recent president of a State medical society said, "The health of the people demands the suppression of the saloon." And he was right. If any disease, like smallpox or cholera, caused one-half as many deaths in our country during a year as has intoxicating liquors sold over licensed bars, the United States Congress would appropriate a hundred thousand dollars to stamp out the disease and then appoint special officers to see that the health orders were enforced. This would be right and the people would give such a measure their hearty approval.

The health of the people is a precious heritage, and no legislative power has any right to legalize any business that destroys or endangers the health of the people. We speak the more positively on this question because the United States Supreme Court has so decided.

You will permit me to speak briefly from my own experience, especially if I substantiate what I say with high authority. Having been a busy physician for more than twenty-five years and in that time having never lost a week by ill-health myself, and having had my office located with a saloon on one side and another saloon in front, and my residence with a saloon keeper living each side as neighbors, you see I have had a fair opportunity for practical observation and study as to the effects of alcoholic preparations on health.

A drunken man is a sick man, and it is cruel to send him to jail, where he is disgraced and often cruelly treated, when he should be sent to a hospital and there kindly treated and restored to health. A drunkard may be a sinner; we leave that to a merciful God; but one thing we do know, and that is, that he is a diseased man and made so according to law.

A noted physician, a few years ago, when he observed that most men who died of cholera were drinking men, declared that every dram shop ought to be labeled, "Cholera sold here." And I declare unto you, every saloon in America and the world over ought to be labeled, "Disease sold here." We know it is a severe charge to say that saloons sell disease, but it has the merit of being true. And we have the facts to prove it, a few of which we will give here.

Dr. Willard Parker, who for many years stood at the head of the medical profession in New York City, said: "One-third of all the deaths in New York City are caused directly and indirectly by alcoholic drinks." Dr. Hammond, of Washington, D. C., who enjoyed such success in his specialty of treating nervous diseases as to make \$100,000 a year, names twenty diseases of the nervous system caused by alcohol. He said in a letter to Senator Blair: "I am free to admit, weighing all points for and against, mankind would be better off mentally, morally and physically if alcohol were altogether abolished."

The Massachusetts Legislature appointed a committee to investigate the cause of idiocy, and Dr. Howe, its chairman, reported that of 300 idiots investigated he found that 145 of them had drunken parents, and he estimated that three-fourths of the idiots of the State had intemperate parents.

Insanity is the worst form of mental disease. One of my students, who has been the physician in charge of the largest hospital for insane in the State for fifteen years, recently told me that 65 per cent of all their patients came to the hospital directly or indirectly by the influence of alcohol. Were it necessary these facts could be multiplied a thousand fold.

When the immortal Gladstone declared that "Strong drink destroys more of the human family than war, pestilence or famine," he could have meant nothing short of the mighty destruction caused by alcohol through disease which it produces.

Fathers spend their money at the saloons and their children go half clad, take cold and die of pneumonia or other diseases of exposure. The mother and children of the drunkard go half starved and become an easy prey to the germs of disease. If moderate drinking fathers and patent medicine taking mothers realized how such narcotics weaken their offspring, making them an easy prey to the germs of disease, they would cease the use of intoxicants forever.

Many, many are the good reasons why the saloon should be wiped off the face of the earth, but one of the greatest of these is its destructive powers over the health of the people. Therefore, every one who values the health of his family and succeeding generations should use his influence and vote to kill the saloon.—*Prize Recitation by Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, Ind.*

Send to your State Superintendent for literature for distribution. Give them to your neighbors and friends. Distribute at all public meetings held on this subject. Many people use alcoholic medicines that would not if well informed on the subject.

Leaflets on this subject should be read and discussed at your Union meetings.

Number of parlor meetings held during the year, 28; lectures, 16; original papers read, 35; non-alcoholic scrap books 2; superintendents at the beginning of the year, 12; number at the close, 72; amount of state appropriation, \$5.00; donations from friends, \$16.60; donated by State Superintendent, \$26.82; total receipts, \$48.42; total disbursements, \$48.42; number of Institutes at which this department was presented, 42.

"Wine is a Mocker, Strong Drink is Raging and Whosoever is Deceived Thereby is not Wise."—Bible.



## PATENT MEDICINES—A RECITATION.

For every pain and every ache,  
There is a medicine to take,  
That has a patent to insure  
That it will absolutely cure.  
It's strange that any one is sick,  
When medicines will cure so quick.  
Directions plain, that all may read;  
Alas, they do not wisely heed.  
And then the good effects are lost,  
Which makes them grumble as to cost.  
They'll try another, advertised,  
Because they were so ill advised.  
The temperance folks can, one and all,  
Be sure there is no alcohol,  
Or any drug of dangerous kind,  
But of the best, pure and refined.  
Shake once, shake twice; and o'er and o'er,  
They try the remedy once more,  
And from the bottle drink it down  
Without a grimace or a frown.  
For tooth, and ear, and eye, and nose,  
For stomach, back, and limbs, and toes,  
And lung and liver, heart and brain,  
Made over new, without a pain.  
There's balsams, tonics, salves and pills;  
And tinctures, syrups, tablets, squills—  
You read of them on fence and barn,  
And every stump about the farm.  
And not a paper or a book,  
These days, would have a paying look  
Without these ads of strange device,  
That fool the wise once, twice and thrice.  
Patent medicines are a trade  
By which large fortunes off are made,  
And grave-yards fill, and homes deplete,  
While all are ill you chance to meet.  
There's something wrong, some how, some way,  
Whatever quacks and doctors say.  
The Healer's word is true to-day,  
And all may try the better way;  
Obedience the only rule,  
And Faith the Healer's wondrous school.  
Then there's the temperance people's fad,  
You'll find their way is not so bad;  
They've facts and figures both to show  
Their loss of life is far below  
Where alcohol is used to cure,  
And beverage users can't endure  
Disease, hardships and wearing pain  
Like those who carefully abstain.  
All patent medicines they pass by,  
For they all know these medicines lie.

—Mary E. Balch.

## PRIZE RECITATION NO. 3.

## BY INHERITANCE.

To Moses was given the law of inheritance, by the Lord himself, "Visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me."

This is a warning that should cause each one of us to shrink from all manner of evil. Oh, that we could impress this awful responsibility upon the minds of the youth! Would they not hesitate about forming habits of dishonesty, drinking, gambling, impurity?

It has become an appalling matter to read the daily papers. The assaults, the murders, the suicides, the infanticide, the parricides and all the rest of the black and awful list. In reading these details, two distinct conclusions are placed before our eyes. Either these acts are the result of the inheritance received from our ancestors, or, by giving ourselves up to the snares of the evil one, we are laying up for our posterity a most infamous inheritance.

A most touching incident, taken from real life, was once given:

A certain man of education, talent and hope had fallen to the lowest depths of a drunkard. His sixteen year old daughter, Alice, a noble Christian girl, resolved to spend her life, if necessary, in leading her father back to sobriety and usefulness. For two years, summer and winter, night and day, she went to his haunts and brought him home. She supplied all his wants and always gave him the tenderest of care. When he awoke from his drunken sleep she would plead with him, pray with him and lead him to pray for himself. After breaking many promises, the man's heart was reached. He could no longer withstand the daughter's faithfulness and love. He made a confession, joined the church and once more took his place in the world, and to the end of his life became a great worker for the Lord.

To that town moved a gay young married lady. She had ample time and ample means for enjoyment. It was her great delight to draw around her the young people and furnish dainty lunches and banquets. Choice wines and wonderful punches were compounded for the entertainments. She laughed mockingly at the "cranks" that were afraid of a sip of wine. Having heard of this daughter's life of sacrifice and devotion, she lent her brains to a mischievous scheme. So this young girl was invited to one of her entertainments, and being ignorant of the nature of her table, accepted the invitation. The married woman, however, knew whom she had in her house and no suspicious looking drinks were in sight. Tea was served with this supper. Alice drank hers with great relish. "What have you in this tea that tastes so nice?" she inquired. "Oh," replied the woman, "this flavoring was sent to me from Paris. I thought you young ladies would like it. Have another cup." Alice passed her cup the third and fourth time, drinking her tea with great delight. Her face flushed, her eyes sparkled. "This is delicious," she exclaimed, "you must tell me what you have put in your tea." "Well," replied the lady with a triumphant smile, "it is nothing more than whisky, the good drink you have abused all your life." Alice rose from the table, her eyes wildly glittering. Beating with her hands upon her brow she cried, "If this is whisky I must have it. I have all my life been longing for something, and I never knew until now what it was." Her would-be friends, half terrified at what they had done, tried to soothe and detain her, but Alice, wild with excitement and conscious stricken, snatched her wraps and rushed from the house. In her own room she fought and struggled with the awful demon into whose grasp she had fallen, but in vain. A match had been applied

to the dormant heritage in her blood, and the fire continued to burn more and more fiercely. Under cover of darkness she sought a place where she could buy the much longed for beverage. When her condition was discovered the next day, her father was stricken with despair and grief. He realized that he had sown those fatal seeds in his child's blood. He now returned the prayers, care and watching that she had bestowed upon him; but the die was cast, drink she would have in whatever way it could be procured. She could not stand the smittings of conscience and would drown her dismay in the much craved for drink. When money was withheld from her, she would sell or pawn her clothing. For nearly three years this career was hers, then her health failed and worn out, wretched and repentant, she sank into an early grave, watched over to the last by a broken hearted father.

I will now read the remainder of the law given to Moses.

"And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments."

What a blessed promise. By loving him and keeping his commandments and by placing ourselves in good environments, we can even cheat inheritance itself. But beware of the mischievous person. We have all descended from drinking races. Not one knows what demon may be sleeping in his blood. In a thoughtless moment a spark flying from a careless hand may consume and utterly destroy the careful toil of years. It matters not from whence the spark may come, the social board, the medicine chest or the legalized vender of intoxicants. Friends, pause and think of the many liabilities from medicine. Is it not time to arise and announce to the world the danger lurking therein, and the non-necessity of alcohol in medicine? Too long this has been our deceiver. We now know it only as an irritant and depressant, leaving a soothing sensation, for a time, which comes from the benumbing influence upon the nerves.

Surely a new and better era is dawning upon us, when many of our best physicians are speaking of the "passing away of alcohol."

MRS. PETER McDERMID.

Indianapolis, Ind

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION.

Did you all notice in the report from the largest W. C. T. U. on record, Marietta, Ohio, that the department of Non-Alcoholic Medication has one meeting a month devoted to its study? The President of this flourishing Union says:

"Last year we began studying Non-Alcoholic Medication. We saw so much evil resulting from the medical use of alcohol that we wished to know if it really was necessary. Our Superintendent was the daughter of a physician and a very bright woman. She had the opportunity of studying the best medical works on the use and results of alcohol. We gave one afternoon each month entirely to this study. We commenced with diseases peculiar to children. We advertised the meetings in the daily papers and several ladies were asked beforehand to lead in the discussion. We had large audiences of interested women. Then we took up different diseases and their treatment by different physicians, noting carefully the results. Next, we gave a number of women a certain disease to study and report upon at next meeting. In this way they became not only interested, but instructed, with the result that very many women who thought they must keep a little whisky in the house for cases of emergency have thrown it out, and have found that common colds, la grippe, cramps and all other diseases, are much more easily cured without alcohol in any form.

"Our superintendent moved out of town in six months, but the work so well established went right on. We also sent leaflets to physicians. We had Dr. Beardsley, of Hartford, Conn., two weeks in January of this year. His lectures reached more people with better results than anything else could have done. Several prominent physicians attended his lectures. The good to our city will be lasting.

"Unions cannot be too careful in the selection of a superintendent for this most important department. She must have unlimited patience, with much tact and willingness. She must study the leaflets and all other literature on the subject she can find.

"There should be at least one meeting a month devoted to this vital subject, with not more than two original papers; one paper with thorough discussion is enough, with reading from one of the leaflets; always read some simple remedies. We know this study of Non-Alcoholic Medication is so interesting and helpful that once taken up systematically it cannot but increase in interest and profit."

This letter from Mrs. Ogle explains the Marietta method so clearly that I wished you all to have it as an inspiration to like deeds in your own Union. All Unions cannot have a superintendent who has access to medical works for study, but this is not absolutely requisite, since the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," gives an abundance of material in compact form for just such use. No Union should be without this book. Try the Marietta plan of studying diseases and their non-alcoholic treatment, using the chapter under that heading, and for results use the chapter on Death Rates. Don't forget to thoroughly advertise your meetings.

At the last California convention a very taking number upon the program was a dramatic representation of "The Doctor's Day Off." This has now

been published and is for sale at State Headquarters, 132 McAllister street, San Francisco, Cal. Price, ten cents single copy or sixty cents a dozen. It is well adapted to use at State or county conventions, or for public meetings of local Unions.

Those desiring copies of the "Appeal to Physicians" can get them from me at five cents a dozen, or twenty-five cents a hundred. The leaflet "Alcohol Not a Food" should accompany the Appeal. Price of leaflet, twenty cents per hundred.

Are you remembering the prize to State, county and local superintendents this year? Does every member of your Union own a sample package of leaflets to study and loan? I fear not; indeed there are hundreds of Unions which even yet seem untouched by this total abstinence work. Whose fault is this? Can you do anything to remedy it?

The sample package of leaflets, price ten cents, and the department book, \$1.25, can be obtained from the W. T. P. A., 184 La Salle street, Chicago, from me, or from your State Superintendent. Use these helps and grow in numbers and usefulness as has Marietta, Ohio.

MARTHA M. ALLEN

348 Delaware St., Syracuse, N. Y.

## WHAT SHALL BE THE NEXT STEP IN THE ABOLITION OF THE DRINK TRAFFIC BY THE MEDICAL PROFESSION?

"Thou hast no healing medicines."—Jer. 30-13.

Dr. Homes has said that if the contents of our drug stores were taken out upon the ocean and thrown overboard it would be better for the human race, but worse for the fishes.

It has been clearly proved by scientific experiments that there is no healing power in alcohol, even though the discoverers of this liquid extract thought and proclaimed that they had found at last a panacea, or a cure-all, for every ill that flesh was heir to or afflicted with.

That alcohol is a poison we scarcely need be told at this stage of W. C. T. U. development, and from a scientific view as well as from a Christian stand point. A prominent physician defines a poison to be "a substance, in whatever form it may be, which, when applied to a living surface, disconcerts and disturbs life's healthy movements. Such is alcohol. Such in all its forms, mix it with whatever you may.

In the wonderful make up of our bodies are cells, fibers and fluids.

The cell is the most important structure in the living body. Life resides in the cell. The matter which forms the mass of a cell is called protoplasm or bioplasm, and resembles the white of an egg. Bioplasm is living matter. It is structureless, semi-fluid, transparent and colorless. It is the only matter that can grow, move, divide itself and multiply; the only matter that can take up food and convert it into its own substance, and the only matter that can be nourished. The bioplasm in the cell gets its nourishment by drawing in food through the cell wall, and in that way building up the formed material while it is being disintegrated on the outer surface. The body is kept in repair by this living matter, and all the functions of the body are but the result of its action.

Under the microscope we may see, when bioplasm is immersed in a harmless stimulant solution, the activity is increased, it moves faster, takes up more food and divides more rapidly than in an unstimulated condition. But if an astringent be added it moves more slowly, and soon contracts into a spherical shape and remains contracted, or may move slowly to a limited extent according to the strength of the stringent solution. Then add a relaxant, and gradually the living matter begins to spread in all directions in a lazy-like manner and becomes so thin as to be almost undiscernible, and takes up very little if any food.

Alcohol is ironically called a stimulant, but if we use a weak solution of it, almost instantly the living matter contracts into a ball like mass, and we may conclude that alcohol is an astringent. If we now use the same harmless stimulant as before, which caused it to move faster, etc., it makes no impression; it does not move; it is dead matter.

So we see that alcohol destroys the very life force that alone keeps the body in repair. This can be more clearly demonstrated by immersing the white of an egg (which consists of albumen, and is very similar to bioplasm) in alcohol. Notice it turn white, coagulate and harden.

The same experiment can be made with blood with the same result, killing the blood bioplasms. When taken into the stomach it has the same effect on the blood and all the living tissues in the system as out of it, and this alone is enough to condemn its use as a medicine.

There have been times, when I have thought of the injuries alcohol and drug medication, including the nicotine of tobacco, have done and are doing the human race, it seemed to me I could adopt the sentiment expressed by a noted physician on this subject, when he said, "I am disposed to give up my profession and go forth upon a holy crusade, preaching to all men: 'Beware of these enemies of the race.'"

Under the progressive educative influence of the W. C. T. U. and the medical profession this fight against "Alcohol as Medicine" must go on, to the winning in the battle against "Alcohol as a Beverage," for the two are like the Siamese twins—inseparable, only the latter is upheld by the former.

Skillful, scientific, philanthropic, Christian physicians, such as Dr. B. W. Richardson, of the London Temperance Hospital; Dr. N. B. Davis, Sr., of Chi-



cago; Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, and others who might be mentioned, have prepared strong weapons in the form of scientific experimental investigations. If these valuable weapons are used persistently and prayerfully by all temperance workers until the whole medical fraternity refuses alcoholic medication in all its forms, then the cause of total abstinence will receive such an impetus as it has never had in all its history, and the medical fraternity see to it that the laws placing restrictions on certain systems of healing be repealed, and recognizing the truth of the source of all healing power in God, and communicated by him to the living body, and with the Psalmist adopt the language, "Bless the Lord who healeth all thy diseases."

REBECCA STREET, M. D.,  
Kokomo, Ind.

#### PAREGORIC—ITS COMPOSITION.

There are many mothers, nurses and others who have charge of children and who readily give paregoric to their children, who would hesitate to do so if they knew that the active ingredients of that drug are alcohol and opium. Below is the composition of paregoric, taken from United States Dispensatory, which speaks for itself:

##### PAREGORIC, (Ingredients and Proportion.)

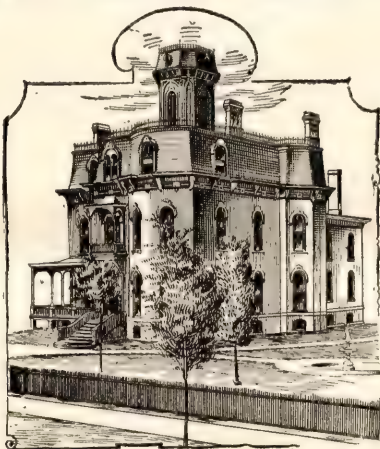
Powdered Opium, grains.....	.62
Dilute Alcohol (to make 33 ozs.) oz.....	.33
Benzoic Acid, grains.....	.62
Camphor .....	.62
Oil of Anise, drops.....	.65
Glycerine.....	.01

The opium has the chief narcotic effect, and the alcohol is next in its sedative effect.

An ounce (tablespoonful) of paregoric contains nearly two grains of powdered opium. Children who are given paregoric will soon cry for the opium and alcohol it contains.

Giving paragoric to children is the kindergarten school to make drunkards and opium eaters. BEWARE!

#### NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1902.



FRANCES WILLARD NATIONAL TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL.

It will be difficult to tell you in the ten minutes allotted to the report of a year of hard, aggressive work in our hospital all, or indeed scarcely to touch on the most important points.

To begin with, the word advance must be distinctly written above and over all I shall say, for this has been a year distinctly encouraging, and marked advancement will be shown and read between the lines, not in a boastful spirit—far from it—for each year comes freighted with its peculiar trials, tending to show us our frailties and "muddy crossings" at which we instinctively pause to pick our way. Three hundred and fifteen patients have been treated during the year, with a death rate of less than 4½%, which is comparatively very low, proving that it is safe to avoid alcoholic remedies. In this there can be no risk, notwithstanding the occasional newspaper report of the enormous death rate of the Temperance hospitals.

Throughout the year the services of Superintendent of Training School have been of a most excellent grade. Activity and higher standards have brought our class of twelve nurses to an enviable position among those of their profession. They have been honored, by preference, of other hospitals by our staff physicians in calls for private practice, all of which has been most gratifying to the trustees, whose aim has been to reach this high mark.

Each nurse now wears the White Ribbon, and is being educated in the "Y" work by the efforts of our most worthy White Ribbon matron, who is a delegate to this convention.

She has shown thrift and economy, with a general interest which has been instrumental in keeping the Hospital out of debt, with no complaint from patients, or household, of the food, either in quantity or quality, which leads one to say that to "look well to the ways of her household" is ideal womanhood.

The house physician's services have been excellent; harmony and a right spirit have permeated the institution, bringing blessings in its train. The expense of supporting the institution this last year has been not far from ten thousand dollars. Bills have been met with considerable satisfaction, and the strain has been much lighter upon the trustees than in former years, none of whom receive compensation other than

the reflex blessing which the Master never fails to give his workers.

These ladies give time, money and much valuable service to this work, because they, too, see the great need, and have answered the call "Here am I; use me."

A most generous donation of two hundred dollars was given early in the year by the women of California. Seldom, if ever, has the Hospital received so telling a gift. This amount, with fifty dollars added, equipped the operating room with instruments and furniture most essential in major operations. The additions have brought a most desirable line of operations most advantageous to the general work. This gift was made in honor of Henrietta Skelton, whom the California sisters wished to thus remember.

The bed endowed by the ever loyal State of Illinois, and one by Mrs. J. B. Hobbs, of Chicago, enable us to have free patients, which is one of the most pleasant duties of the entire work.

This month, while visiting the hospital and carefully inspecting each room with the Superintendent, several facts were noticeable, such as the good house-keeping, the liberal supply of bright screens in the wards, the spotless beds with new covers and fresh blankets, the windows with pretty sash curtains, new rugs before some of the beds, made out of old carpets, all largely through the efforts of our working force, shows that they love the work and take an interest in it.

The old threadbare story of alcoholics being served surreptitiously to the patients has, I believe, died and been buried. It may have been treated with alcoholics and died for that reason. At any rate, we have not heard of it through the year.

Of course we are occasionally asked what is the Temperance Hospital living for, any way? And we answer:

First, according to Miss Willard's first inception of the idea of organizing a hospital to prevent men (and women, too,) from becoming drunkards through the physician's prescriptions, and to convert physicians themselves, who in turn convert multitudes of their patients; to educate the masses of people in the great principle of non-alcoholic remedies. Think you the Hospital has lived in vain? A thousand no's. We have built better than we knew, and the principle which will now stand for all time is a bright and shining light to this and all coming ages of the great work of the W. C. T. U.

The principles demonstrated by the Hospital are most distinctively the heart principles of our great organization. We cannot go back; we must go forward. Larger and better accommodations must be provided.

If every one of our women for one year would send five cents to the treasurer, a new building, thoroughly equipped, would be the result. Our land is paid for, and a small health growing fund in hand toward this object.

Sisters, send in your own and your neighbors' nickles this year, and we will speedily show you, with the Master's blessing, what the Hospital trustees can and will do without burden to any one.

MRS. MARGARET INGLEHART,  
President Hospital Board.

#### OUR PLEDGE.

I am glad to note the growing sentiment with our Indiana women to drop out the words, "as a beverage," from one form of our pledges. Some States have already done this. Indiana does not want to be behind, especially in so important a work as this. It is being clearly demonstrated by our most eminent scientists, physicians and surgeons that alcohol is not necessary as a medicine. Our National Superintendent says in one of her reports, "Strike out from the pledges the phrase, 'as a beverage.' Alcohol is not good either as medicine or as food. The body requires no alcohol under any circumstances. When the majority of the people believe this we shall banish liquors from use, and not before." Our National President, in her address before the Texas convention, most heartily urged that greater attention be given to the Non-Alcoholic Department. The National Temperance Hospital is clearly demonstrating the fact that patients can be successfully treated without the use of alcohol. One form of our pledge allows the use of alcohol as a medicine, yet we have a department of Non-Alcoholic Medication in State and Nation which says, "No alcohol should be used as a medicine." Think about it and let us educate on this line.

A. T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

Where alcohol is used the mortality is great. Some recover in spite of its use.—Selected.

Many an appetite is created for alcohol by its use in the sick room.

Dear Co-worker:

The more you study this department of Non-Alcoholic Medication, the more you will be convinced of its great importance to the temperance reform and the more you will become interested in its advancement. Much work and education is required to arouse the people on this subject. I am glad, as Superintendent of this department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Indiana, to do all I can; but with the small means at my disposal the work I can do is small compared with what should be done. The State W. C. T. U. appropriation of only \$5.00 will meet only a part of my postage. In studying over this matter I have wondered if there were not many in this State who would gladly make a donation to help push this very work. Possibly there are many who have homes, or have observed the homes of some near friend who have been touched by this hidden foe, who would like to help banish it from the kitchen, from the prescriptions of doctors and its use as a common home remedy.

I present this subject to you earnestly and prayerfully and ask you to consider it earnestly and prayerfully also. The donation of \$5.00 or \$1.00 would prove a great blessing, first to the cause and second to you for the giving. By faith and some practical encouragement, we are sending out six thousand copies of the Special Non-Alcoholic Issue of the MESSAGE, the State W. C. T. U. organ of Indiana. We desire to repeat this two or three times this year and will if we receive the needed encouragement. Any donations may be sent to the undersigned, who will make prompt acknowledgment. Thanking you in advance, for any assistance and co-operation, I am,

Yours to serve,

MRS. AMANDA T. WHITSON,

3335 N. Meridian st., Indianapolis, Ind.

State Superintendent Non-Alcoholic Medication.

NOTE--I know of no better educational work against the liquor traffic than that which the State Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication is doing. Let us help her most cordially,

HOMER J. HALL, M. D.  
Late Chairman of Indiana.

Nearly all Patent Medicines contain Alcohol or some other Dangerous Drugs. Beware!

Are we Deceived by Alcohol as a Medicine?



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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**February 17,** Heavenly Birthday of Frances E. Willard.

**February 15** is the next Temperance Sunday School lesson. Pledge-signing should be the order of the day everywhere.

**General Officers** of the World's W. C. T. U.: President, Lady Henry Somerset, Eastnor Castle, Leicestershire, England; Vice President at Large, Mrs. Lillian M. U. Stevens, Portland, Maine; Hon. Secretaries, Miss Agnes E. Slack, Ripley, Derbyshire, England, Miss Anna A. Gordon, Evanston, Illinois, U. S. A.; Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Sanderson, Danville, Quebec, Canada.

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**Time of Prayer,** Noon; Badge, a knot of White Ribbon; Methods, Preventive, Educational, Evangelistic, Social and Legal; Watchwords, Agitate, Educate, Organize.

## PLEDGE.

I hereby solemnly pledge, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquors, including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

## NEWS ITEMS.

The World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, June 9 to 11.

A bill to repeal the anti-canteen law has been introduced in the House and referred to the military committee. There will be work for every Christian.

Our government has decided against the sale of alcoholic liquors of any description in our Samoan possessions.

Texas has ninety-two counties totally "dry," fifty-four totally "wet," fifteen unorganized, and the remaining counties partially dry. Within the past year forty-seven counties have voted and forty-one have adopted prohibition.

The McCumber bill forbids liquor selling in government buildings. It should become a law. Wilbur F. Crafts, our champion of righteousness at Washington, earnestly desires that petitions and letters be sent to Congressmen for the passage of this bill.

The defeat of the Georgia dispensary bill was brought about through the influence of the Georgia W. C. T. U., and the defeat of the scheme to fasten upon Florida the dispensary system is the notable victory of the year of the Florida W. C. T. U.—*Exchange*.

The citizens of Indian Territory are anxious for Statehood, but strongly opposed to joint Statehood with Oklahoma. They want to go in with their prohibitory law. If joined with Oklahoma, with a license law, they fear the loss of their peace and prosperity.

A concerted attempt to amend the New York State law concerning temperance teaching in the public schools is being made by the State Science Teachers, an organization said to be backed by the liquor lobby. It is the aim of the "science" people to kill the study of physiology and the effects of stimulants and narcotics.—*Exchange*.

The W. C. T. U. of Canton, O., recently held a reception. A number of the women had each earned \$1, and the program consisted of poems and prose which told of their struggles. About fifty persons were present, and \$75 was raised by this method. Canton Union is rapidly growing, about sixty new members having been added this winter.

At Colorado Springs, Col., prohibition orators were in attendance and spoke effectively at the recent State Teachers' Convention. An address on "Morality in the Public Schools" by Mrs. M. A. Weir was given wide publicity and has aroused no end of discussion.

From Three Rivers, Mich., we learn that the "Temperance Volunteers" have started to go through the State in the interest of prohibition. They purpose to canvass every home in the State, to make a complete record of every person of ten years of age and over. The campaign will end only when Michigan is solid for total abstinence.

A dispatch to the *New Voice* from Toronto says: The belated returns from outlying districts indicate that the total referendum vote cast on December 4 may yet come near the desired 212,000 votes. All Prohibition candidates for the city council were elected, notably, Messrs. F. S. Spence and J. R. L. Starr, who headed the poll in their wards, and Mr. J. J. Graham. This is the second crushing defeat of organized liquor interests in Toronto. Prohibitionists are greatly encouraged by the outcome of this hard-fought battle.

President Bashford, of Delaware, in a recent address, said: "When our statesmen begin to realize the necessity of moral courage and high ideals, when our business corporations lead in forces favoring total abstinence, prohibition, not license or tax, will be the final policy for dealing with the saloon, and I believe the saloon will be put down within the next twenty-five years. I want American young people to engage in some high, brave task for the twentieth century. I've no respect for cowardly people who try to hide in a safe place while this struggle is on."

From Pennsboro, W. Va., the *New Voice* correspondent says: "This city has scored a great victory for prohibition, electing J. B. McGregor mayor by twenty-six majority, as well as two out of five members of the common council, losing one other by the narrow majority of one. Ritchie county has no legalized saloons, but the American Express Company delivers great quantities of liquor daily, the amount brought here during Christmas week being valued at \$1,500."

In New Jersey a feature of the State W. C. T. U. Convention was the pinning of thousands of "Vote No Saloons" badges on the breasts of school children as they left the various schools.

**Send PETITIONS and LETTERS to members of Indiana Legislature regarding the Nicholson Law and Cigarette Law. The enemies of our homes must not be victors. You must help defeat them.**



MRS. ROSE PEARCE.

The above is a likeness of Mrs. Rose Pearce, of Terre Haute, Ind., one of our State Organizers and Institute workers. Mrs. Pearce is the wife of a Baptist minister, and is a woman of refinement and charming personality. As a platform speaker she is earnest and forceful.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

I wish that each Union would try a Medal Contest and put some money in its treasury. It's a splendid way to earn money because it gives such good opportunities to sow temperance seed. Please try it, and be preparing yourselves for the payment of dues, March 15.

In the March MESSAGE we hope to tell you the result of the Goshen "Y" clipping contest. The Anderson "Y" has entered one, with Dr. Boyden as captain of one side and Miss Grace McMahan captain of the other. We know the father of one of our girls helped her to find clippings. The interest is fine, and we believe it is very helpful when you can tell members of the family to help.

Dear ones, remember I look to you to send me items in regard to your work, and what your Local Unions are doing, so I can always have something helpful for our column in the MESSAGE.

If your "Y" Secretary's health will permit she will go out in the field as one of the W. C. T. U. Institute Leaders, and asks that you pray for her. To those

who have known of her illness we want to say she is now on the way to recovery.

How many Y. Unions would like the 1903 Year Book, prepared by our National Secretary, Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright?

If our State Motto means anything to us, it means that you and I will pray, work and at all times do all that is possible to enlist those who are so indifferent to our cause. Lovingly,  
CLARA M. SEARS.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

It was my privilege to attend a conference held in connection with a revival service at the First Methodist Church in Marion on the 15th of January. Under the topic, "Municipal Sins," some startling facts were brought to light. After the usual exposure of weak officials who had been sworn to do their duty and failed in so many instances, one minister said that he had found by good authority that at least one thousand men go home every Saturday night drunk. That in a city of about 20,000 inhabitants, and perhaps there is no more drunkenness in Marion than in most places of its size in our State. But can we afford to be silent about the sin of drunkenness and the equally great sin of allowing an institution to live that takes the wages of one thousand men every week from their families in one town alone? But we must multiply this by the number of cities and towns in our State of 20,000 and more, and then we must add to this great army the perhaps as great per cent in small towns, where not only the young men of the place are being ruined, but the lads from the country as well.

If every coal bin in the State were full the "wolf at the door" would yet be the fear of many homes while so great a drain is made on the wages and muscle and brain power of the wage earner that the families of the brewer, the distiller and saloon keeper may live in luxury.

I know we have not yet come to the place where our influence will be felt most in the prohibition of the drink evil, but we are already where silence on our part is criminal. We have no time to waste as reformers. It has been a busy winter with our forces at the Capital, trying to influence Congress to pass laws for the protection of the home, and to retain those we already have that are better than none. While conditions concerning the licensed sins of our day are to me perfectly appalling, I yet believe the signs of the times are hopeful in many respects. The influence for good by the W. C. T. U. is being felt more and more.

A minister said to me at the conference referred to: "The Church must adopt the policy of the W. C. T. U. if we are to succeed. We have spent too much time trying to reform the judge, and the mayor and the other great people, while we have lost opportunities of much more value to us. We must, like you, commence with the children, although the old sinners are neglected."

The open door is before us. There is not a Union in the State that cannot work with and for the dear children.

If we will take the time to think, let us count those manly young fellows that were in the ranks of the L. T. L. a few years ago. We will find them prohibitionists to a boy. Let us take courage. When our boys and girls of the L. T. L. come to the ballot box, King Alcohol will tremble in a way that will gladden your heart and mine. EUNICE P. WILSON.

## CASH PRIZES

For stories, poems and orations for the Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication of the National W. C. T. U.

1. For the best story showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, \$12.00.
2. For the best humorous article, suitable for recitation, showing the evils and absurdities of the use of patent medicines containing alcohol, opium, cocaine or other dangerous drugs, \$12.00.
3. For the best poem, suitable for recitation, showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, \$10.00.
4. For the best oration showing the evils of the medical use of alcohol, including alcoholic patent medicines or fraudulent medicines, \$10.00.

## CONDITIONS.

Each story, poem, humorous article or oration must contain at least 800 words, and not more than 1,400, and must never have appeared in print. All manuscripts must be sent to the undersigned by June 1, 1903, and each must be accompanied by \$1.25, for which a copy of the department book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine," will be sent to the address given by the contestant. Prize winners will be announced in the *Union Signal*. A committee of three judges will decide upon the manuscripts. Writers are expected to show the danger of the home prescription of alcoholics, as well as the professional.

M. M. ALLEN,  
National Superintendent.



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MRS. LUELLA F. McWHIRTER, Editor,  
Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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## TEMPERANCE LITERATURE.

As State Superintendent of Temperance Literature I want to urge upon every local Union the importance of this department in advancing the principles for which we contend. This is the age when printers' ink sways the world. People are more and more being swayed by what they read.

The Leaflet does good often as an arouser of interest in our reform, but the most effective literature work is the placing of Prohibition newspapers in the homes of the people. A paper that comes into a home fifty-two times a year advocating our principles is building line upon line and precept upon precept. If a falsehood concerning some phase of our movement gains currency in the Daily Press, the truth follows quickly in the weekly Prohibition organ. I am thoroughly convinced that no other one line of work will bring such large results as securing subscriptions to Prohibition newspapers. The *Union Signal* is the organ of the W. C. T. U., and should be in the home of every member. Each Local Union should have a local agent for the *Signal*. If your Union is without an agent, appoint one at once. Then every local Union should do its utmost to extend the circulation of the *New Voice* and the *Patriot-Phalanx*. Secure a large list of subscribers to either or both papers and you will do much to solve the problem of awakening interest in our cause, and every line of work will become easier, and best of all, an increased Prohibition vote inevitably follows.

We wish to inaugurate a special campaign for subscriptions to the *New Voice* and the *Phalanx*, and to this end this department offers a prize of \$25 to the Union sending in the largest list of subscriptions to either or both the *Voice* and *Phalanx* by April 1, and Mr. Morrow has kindly consented to give a public lecture to the Union furnishing the second largest list. These prizes are conditioned upon this department receiving not less than 100 subscriptions by April 1 from any part of the State. Any profits from commissions offered by *New Voice* and *Phalanx* will be devoted to State W. C. T. U. work, so that in pushing this line of work local Unions are not only spreading Prohibition truth through our own papers, but also assisting in carrying forward State work, with a chance to add \$25 to your local treasury, or a free lecture with a collection entirely your own. Now let every local Union take up the matter promptly and systematically, divide the community and make a thorough canvass. All subscriptions, with cash for the same, should be sent to me, 2432 N. Delaware st., Indianapolis, Indiana.

GERTRUDE MORROW,  
State Superintendent.

## WORK AMONG RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

Four months of the W. C. T. U. year have gone; how much have we done in the great field of labor before us? I hope many of the dear sisters are planning much work in my department, and I am praying for great advancement in this department. This year, through the efforts of our State Secretary, I have received the names of seven County Superintendents, to whom I have sent literature and blanks. Now, dear County Presidents, can I not hear from more counties in this our beautiful State, where there are so many White Ribboners ready to press onward in the great struggle for mankind? In the United States there are more than a million steam railway employees, besides the army of street railway men, policemen, firemen and postmen, all of whom we desire to have brought in touch with this department of W. C. T. U. work. Will not the counties that have no Superintendent of the Railway Department please appoint one and send

name and address to me, and help Indiana to come to the front in her next report to the National Superintendent?

EMILY MCINTOSH,  
State Superintendent.

## PRESS.

Our National Press Superintendent makes a suggestion which I like, and I want to pass it on to you. Instead of pasting our clippings on muslin, as heretofore, let us make scrap books of them.

I will give as a prize a nice book to the woman taking to our next State Convention the neatest, best filled scrap book of temperance and other clippings pertaining to our work.

I am so glad to know that there are so many counties and Unions carrying on the press work. The blank reports reached me too late to send them out for the last quarter, but you will receive them in good time for the next, and please add your first quarter's report to the second, so that all the work may be reported.

Let us be active and in earnest about our press work, let no time be wasted, ask for and keep up columns in the local and county papers, and keep our work before the public all the time. The outlook for our work is most encouraging.

If the canteen question becomes an issue again I know the press workers will be ready to do their part, which is a most important one.

Save all your clippings, dear sisters, and begin now on your scrap books. Keep in mind the great importance of our work and be earnest and prayerful.

MISS LAURA G. CAMMACK.

Converse, Ind.

## CLASS FOR THE STUDY OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

One of my plans for the department of Parliamentary Usage is to organize as large a class as possible for the study of Parliamentary Law by correspondence. My desire is to have every County and Local Superintendent of this department in the State a member of the class, and as many others as may desire to unite with us. The condition of the membership is the payment of 10c, five of which will be used for the payment of a Parliamentary card to be used in the study. On the first day of each month, beginning with March 1, I will send to each member of the class an outline of study for the month, together with a list of questions to be answered and returned to me. The course will extend over six months, and the members answering the largest number of questions correctly will receive honorable mention through the columns of the MESSAGE and in my annual Report. Please send your names and a dime as early as possible.

With desire that we become equipped for the best possible service in the cause we love, I am

Cordially Yours, HATTIE W. BRAND,  
1403 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis,  
State Superintendent Parliamentary Usage.



D. LEIGH COLVIN,  
National President Inter-Collegiate Prohibition Association.

## THE INTER-COLLEGIATE PROHIBITION ASSOCIATION

of Indiana is making preparation for its State Contest and Convention, which is to be held at Taylor University, April 17.

The object of the Association, as expressed in its constitution, is to promote a broad study and discussion of the questions arising from or connected with the liquor traffic, to advance the principle of prohibition, to secure the participation of college men and women in this reform, to promote the application of prohibition through party action as the best policy offered by political science for the complete solution of these problems, and to support the Prohibition party as long as other political parties remain silent concerning the liquor traffic.

There are now active prohibition Leagues in nearly every college in the State. They hold regular meet-

ings, usually once in two weeks, in which a systematic study is made of some of the most important phases of the prohibition question. The percentage of leading students who are joining the Leagues is very remarkable. In one college nearly ninety per cent of the entire student body are party prohibitionists, while in nearly all there is a large and growing sentiment.

One of the important features of the Association's work is the system of inter-collegiate oratorical contests. There is first a contest in the college, with original orations on prohibition, the winner of the local contest representing his college in the State contest, and the winner of the State contest will represent Indiana in the national contest. There is nothing which arouses more enthusiasm in the college than a contest. There is nothing which gives a student a better acquaintance with the question than the preparation necessary for writing an oration.

In order to bring out the best ability in the colleges of the State the Association desires to offer a prize of \$50 at the State contest, and makes an appeal to the prohibitionists and the W. C. T. U. and others of Indiana to contribute toward the prize.

It is believed that some of the most important work that can be done for prohibition at the present time is to enlist the college students, those who are to be the natural leaders of society, for prohibition, and it is hoped that they will be given the encouragement at least of a liberal prize.

Please send contributions to Dr. Homer J. Hall, Franklin, Ind., who will see that the money is properly applied. Any amount will be appreciated.

D. LEIGH COLVIN,

En route in Indiana.

## INDIANA W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTE SCHEDULE FOR 1903.

SECTION ONE.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Leader,  
398 Kentucky Street, Franklin, Ind.

Pulaski County, March 2, 3; Porter County, March 5, 6; Lake County, March 9, 10; LaPorte County, March 12, 13; St. Joseph County, March 16, 17; Elkhart County, March 19, 20; Noble County, March 23, 24; Steuben County, March 26, 27; DeKalb County, March 30, 31; Whitley County, April 2, 3.

ONE-HALF SECTION TWO.

Mrs. Mary Hadley-Hall, Leader,  
285 East Jefferson Street, Franklin, Ind.

Boone County, March 2, 3; Hamilton County, March 5, 6; Delaware County, March 9, 10; Grant County, March 12, 13; Wells County, March 16, 17; Huntington County, March 19, 20; Wabash County, March 23, 24; Miami County, March 26, 27; Fulton County, March 30, 31; Marshall County, April 2, 3; Morgan County, April 6, 7; Shelby County, April 20, 21.

ONE-HALF SECTION TWO.

Miss Clara M. Sears, Leader,  
222 W. Fourteenth Street, Anderson, Ind.

White County, March 2, 3; Newton County, March 5, 6; Benton County, March 9, 10; Tippecanoe County, March 12, 13; Clinton County, March 16, 17; Howard County, March 19, 20; Blackford County, March 26, 27; Jay County, March 30, 31; Adams County, April 2, 3; Allen County, April 6, 7; Madison County, April 9, 10.

SECTION THREE.

Mrs. Rose Pierce, Leader,  
923 N. Eighth St., Terre Haute, Ind.

Vermillion County, March 9, 10; Parke County, March 12, 13; Hendricks County, March 16, 17; Marion County, March 19, 20; Hancock County, March 23, 24; Henry County, March 26, 27; Randolph County, March 30, 31; Wayne County, April 2, 3; Union County, April 6, 7; Franklin County, April 9, 10; Dearborn County, April 13, 14; Rush County, April 16, 17; Bartholemew County, April 20, 21; Martin County, April 23, 24; Knox County, April 27, 28.

SECTION FOUR.

Alice Ruth Palmer, Leader,  
398 Kentucky Street, Franklin, Ind.

Vigo County, April 20, 21; Gibson County, April 23, 24; Vanderburg County, April 27, 28; DuBois County, April 30, May 1; Washington County, May 11, 12.

NOTE—Between sections dates are left for workers to attend Mid-year Executive Committee Meeting at Franklin, Johnson County, April 16 and 17.

DEAR COUNTY PRESIDENT—It is with unusual pleasure and expectation I come to you in the interest of Institute work this year, as I remember the marked victories which were won in some counties last year. I am convinced that these victories can be made general under like conditions of timely, thorough and persistent effort.

Turn to page 59 of Indiana W. C. T. U. Annual Report for 1902 and read again the Plan of Work adopted for 1903. Following this re-read the Institute plan adopted for this year, on page 61, and determine how many of the premiums offered in the State Plan of Work your coming County Institute can be made to help your County and Local Unions secure.

Then read Institute program and schedule of dates in this MESSAGE, note carefully the date of your Institute and make a mental invoice of your county's resources and what you can reasonably expect to ac-



comply at your coming Institute, and write at once to the Leader of your section and report your plans and enlist her to help you carry them out.

Call a County Executive meeting early. Make your program and avail yourself of the active co-operation of all other county officers. If bad weather and bad roads do not favor a meeting on time make the program by correspondence.

Form your Contest Class four weeks in advance of your Institute, and have the selections in the hands of those who are to recite them at least three weeks before contest evening.

Work all your plans persistently.

Give a good advertisement to the entire Institute program two weeks before the session opens.

The foregoing suggestions, so often repeated, we find are most welcomed by the Presidents of experience and ability who have, from year to year, so successfully carried them out, and we trust they will prove equally so to those who are new and earnest in the work.

Our new Contest Superintendent, Mrs. Cora M. Steele, 1330 E. Washington St., Anderson, Ind., is ready and eager to co-operate with you in arranging your contest. Send to her for supplies, and do not fail to avail yourself of the 200 contest tickets, so nicely arranged on the envelope plan that your young people can easily sell them for you in advance, thus securing their own admission and insuring you a \$20 house. This is no experiment, but one of the proven successes. Try it. Send Mrs. Steele 35 cents for 200 of these tickets in envelopes.

Correspond with your Leader promptly if you desire her services on Sabbath. (See plan.)

Come to the Institute prepared to make a club of ten or more for the *Union Signal*, and expect to receive the paper for one year at the reduced rates always offered to Institutes. For these rates see March MESSAGE.

#### PRIZE AND ROLL OF HONOR.

Again I will offer a prize for the best filled Institute report blank by County President, she to preserve the blank sent to her in February, fill it and hand it to the Leader at the close of the Institute.

Points for competition: Neatness, completeness and accuracy. Also a Roll of Honor will be made of all Presidents who completely and accurately fill the blank. Let us exemplify the motto, "What is worth doing is worth doing well."

Last February the President of Illinois wrote to your Superintendent saying: "We are going to carry out Indiana's Institute plan to the letter, and if you will come over and help us we will relieve Indiana of carrying home the national banner."

They did carry out our plan and carry off our banner, which we had held so long, and I could but respond to their pressing call for help. But now, with our improved plan for this year and strong working force, shall we not bring the banner home? Let County Presidents answer promptly to their respective Leaders and we will pass the good word along the line. Enthusiastically yours to help,

MARY HADLEY-HALL,  
285 E. Jefferson St., Franklin, Ind.

#### PROGRAM OF INDIANA W. C. T. U. NORMAL INSTITUTES 1903.

##### MORNING.

- 10:00 Semi-Annual Business Session of County W. C. T. Unions as made by County Executive or a Free Parliament or a Conference of County Officers and Institute Leader on local and special conditions of the work.

##### AFTERNOON.

- 2:00 Music. Invocation by a local member. Song. Organization of Institute by Leader.
- 2:30 Welcome Symposium. Five minute talks by County Officers. Topic: What We Expect to Accomplish through this Institute.
- (a) How can the members co-operate with the Treasurer to improve the condition of Local, County and State Treasuries? By a Treasurer.
- (b) To add to the helpfulness of the Recording Secretary's work? By a Recording Secretary.
- (c) To increase and improve Local, County and State Reports? By a Corresponding Secretary.
- (d) What must the Vice-President know and do to be most helpful? By a Vice-President.
- (e) To improve the condition of Department Work, add to the membership and activity? By a President.
- 3:00 Music.
- 3:00 Response, by Institute Leader.
- 3:20 Literature presented by Superintendent of Literature.
- 3:30 General discussion.
- 3:40 Opening subscription lists by Committee on Periodicals.
- 3:55 Recitation by a Y. or an L. T. L.
- 4:00 Music. Announcements. Benediction.

##### EVENING.

- 7:30 Song. Devotion, a minister. Special music. An illustrated lecture or an address by the Institute Leader, or other State or National worker, preceded by a collection on cards arranged for the purpose, or a social evening

(membership crusade) with a short special program, preceded by a silver offering. Special music. Invocation.

##### SECOND DAY—MORNING.

- 9:00 Singing. Devotional services by a local officer.
- 9:15 Sabbath Observance vs. Sunday excursions, etc. Superintendent Sabbath Observance. Discussion.
- 9:35 Possibilities of L. T. L. work, how to organize and conduct it, L. T. L. Superintendent. Discussion, Leader.
- 9:55 Whither Drifting? A topic for the Y's. Y. Superintendent. Discussion, Leader and others.
- 10:15 Enrolling names for an L. T. L., a Y. or a W.
- 10:25 What is the work of the W. C. T. U.? County President. Discussion.
- 10:45 Relation of Department work to our cause. How to take it up and make it effective. Local President. Discussion, Leader and others. Music.
- 11:10 Benefits to be derived from the full enfranchisement of women, Superintendent of Franchise. Discussion.
- 11:30 Evangelistic hour. Topic: Christian Citizenship. Bible reading, conducted by Evangelistic Superintendent (Bring Bibles). Prayer. Music. Announcements. Benediction.
- 12:00 Adjourn for noon lunch.

##### SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON.

- 2:00 Music. Devotion, County President. Special music.
- 2:15 Alcohol in the home as a medicine and as used in food. By the Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication or a physician.
- 2:40 Financial Questions of the Day. An illustrated talk by the Leader. Discussion.
- 3:10 Parliamentary rules in our meetings. Leader.
- 3:15 Free Parliament. How can the Church make an aggressive and successful warfare against the saloon?
- (a) By a minister.
- (b) By a church officer.
- (c) By a Sunday School superintendent.
- (d) By the President of the Young Peoples' Society.
- (e) By a W. C. T. U. member. Discussion by the Leader and others. Prayer. Hymn. Announcements. Special music. Benediction.
- 4:15 Adjourn.

##### CONTEST EVENING.

- 7:30 Music. Devotion. Special music. Oratorical contest as arranged by Local and State Superintendents of Contests. Invitation extended to the audience to become members while the judges prepare their report, by Institute Leader. Report of judges, awarding medal. Special music. Invocation.

##### SUBJECTS FOR THE EVENING MEETING.

1. What it Costs and Who Pays.
2. On Which Side are You?
3. An Illustrated Lecture—The Gospel of Health.
4. Reforms Reformed.
5. An Old-fashioned Word.
6. Problem of the Nations.
7. The New Temperance Idea.
8. Our National Sin.
9. The License System.
10. Children the Wards of the Nation.

##### TOPICS FOR OPEN PARLIAMENT.

1. What Part Should the Church Take in Moral and Social Movements?
2. The Trend of Current Events and Their Import.
3. The Relation of Local and County Unions to the State.
4. Department Round Table. (This may include any or as many departments as can be considered within the allotted time.)
5. The Whisky Drugstore.
6. How to Become a Specialist.
7. How to Make our W. C. T. U. Meetings Attractive.
8. The Boy and the Cigarette.
9. The Plans for Dealing with the Saloon.
10. Our Work at Summer Assemblies and Chautauques.
11. Why Annually Observe a Memorial Service for Frances E. Willard?

MRS. MARY HADLEY-HALL,  
Superintendent National and Indiana W. C. T. U. Institutes,  
285 East Jefferson street, Franklin, Indiana.  
(Bring a pencil and a tablet.)

#### MORMON APOSTLE ELECTED TO UNITED STATES SENATE.

Reed Smoot, one of the twelve apostles of the Mormon church, has been elected United States Senator from Utah. Polygamy is one of the basic principles of Mormonism, and the followers of that faith openly boast that the apathy of Christians is their opportunity, and that they will yet choke polygamy down the throat of the American people. Every Mormon young man must give two years of his life to missionary work. They are trained for the work and are sent into the field thoroughly equipped. Their method is to establish a mission and make house to house visits,

where, with argument and the placing of literature, they seek to make converts. Their success is revealed in the fact that they had 20,000 converts last year. Utah made six attempts to come into the Union before she was admitted. Each time the hideous institution of polygamy stood in the way, and it was under promise to cease this practice that she was admitted. President Harrison justly doubted the sincerity of those promises, and time proved his fear to be correct. Since coming into Statehood eight of the twelve apostles who swore to abandon polygamy have been convicted and imprisoned for polygamous living. Their founder and president, Joseph Smith, said that he would not dare enter the kingdom of heaven with less than three wives, and it is only reasonable to believe that a people who believe that their eternal salvation rests upon the number of their wives and posterity will continue to be polygamists. Mormonism glorifies polygamy, and it is the purpose of its followers to gain political ascendancy and then turn the monster loose upon the American people. They now have control in five States and two Territories, so there is most urgent necessity for immediate and determined action. The campaign promises to be as vigorous as was that against Brigham H. Roberts, and in some respects it will be a harder fight. Roberts was a known polygamist, having three wives, but Smoot declares that he is "law abiding," but he does not say that he does not believe in polygamy. As a man thinketh in his heart, so he is, and we leave it to the reader to decide whether his power would be used for the promotion or suppression of polygamy.

Churches and other Christian societies are already actively at work, looking toward the passing of an amendment to our United States constitution forever prohibiting polygamy, and if we do not succeed in that such a protest will be sent up against the seating of Smoot in our Senate that he will be sent back to Utah as was Roberts.

The Inter-denominational Council of Women was organized for the special purpose of fighting polygamy, and this Council will work hand in hand with the National W. C. T. U. A talented speaker, Mrs. Maria Weed, of Chicago, who has had exceptional opportunities for the study of this question, is speaking throughout the central and western States under the auspices of these two societies. Three days after the nomination of Smoot, Mrs. Weed began work in Indianapolis, where she held a successful meeting every day for a week. From Indianapolis she went to the northern part of the State, and will continue her work until early in February.

Literature on this subject has been sent to every local President in the State of Indiana by our national officers, and we urge that every Union will seek information, watch the progress of the campaign, and respond promptly to any call from State or national officers. Anything which affects the purity of the home and tends to prevent the degradation of woman is the legitimate work of every Christian organization. Let every Press and Literature Superintendent in the State be active in this work, and meet the opposition with facts which cannot be refuted.

With pride and hope in the Indiana W. C. T. U. in every good work, I am loyally yours,

HATTIE W. BRAND.

#### STATE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER, 1902.

##### RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year.....	\$0.69
To State Convention Expenses.....	14.50
To sale of badges.....	10.00
To free will offerings from local Unions.....	19.88
To L. T. L. dues.....	5.30
To receipts from Contest at State Convention.....	50.00
To returned appropriations.....	5.15
To State debt.....	3.20
To sale of last year's Minutes.....	3.20
To life membership, Clara Sears.....	25.00
To return check by Gen. Passenger Association.....	11.00
To former Treasurer, balance.....	2.19
To Editor, account of MESSAGE.....	19.18
To Corresponding Secretary, sale of book.....	.25
To Angola State Convention expenses.....	1.50
To dues, one member at large.....	1.00
To dues, State dues.....	386.90
To interest on State loan.....	15.00
To subscriptions to MESSAGE, with no dues.....	20.50
To collections at State Convention.....	55.04
To County dues to be held for unorganized counties.....	3.30
Total.....	\$649.68

##### DISBURSEMENTS.

By money paid out by former Treasurer.....	\$194.31
By pound postage on MESSAGE, two months.....	3.66
By Mrs. Hall, State Convention expenses.....	.50
By telegrams sent by State Convention.....	3.56
By 1400 postal cards, use of general officers and editor.....	14.00
By Recording Secretary, expenses two committees and supplies.....	11.20
By Mrs. Hall, expenses two committees.....	4.35
By additional expenses December Central Committee.....	4.15
By postage, freight and express for Treasurer.....	5.20
By postage for Corresponding Secretary.....	10.60
By postage and envelopes for Treasurer.....	21.50
By Phalanx Office, printing account.....	20.00
By expenses and services editor of MESSAGE.....	30.43
By National dues.....	66.30
By appropriations to Superintendents.....	61.50
By part of back salary to President.....	14.50
By part of back salary to Corresponding Secretary.....	27.00
By part of back salary to Recording Secretary.....	5.25
By part of back salary past Treasurer.....	14.00
By moving office furniture, past Treasurer.....	.75
By State Convention expenses Corresponding Secretary.....	5.01
By telegrams and express, Corresponding Secretary.....	2.50
By 500 Pledge Cards.....	5.00
By Corresponding Secretary, for supplies.....	14.50
Total disbursements.....	\$539.52
Balance.....	\$110.16
Liabilities.....	242.00

##### "DRY AS DUST."

That is what we sometimes say of business details, but this letter is an exception, for it is thoroughly mixed with thanks to local and county Treasurers who have sought for accuracy in carrying out new plans, and have so well succeeded. Then it



must be spiced with a warning. The note on the face of Local Treasurers' Reports, sent out by County Treasurers in organized counties, is certainly plain English. If not full enough for perfect understanding, there is fuller explanation to be found on page 48 of the Annual Report of 1902, and page II, State Constitution, Article IV, and Section 5, under By-Laws of the Local Constitution, page xiv. After this any Local or any County Treasurer who does not promptly, and accurately, and faithfully, and conscientiously follow her Constitution is going to be morally responsible if any inaccuracy creeps into the State Treasurer's accounts. How can anybody expect her to keep her books, when she is responsible for all bills accruing on account of the MESSAGE, and money which should be in her hands for that purpose is lying in local treasuries instead of being sent on with the quarter's dues and the address of the woman who is entitled to the MESSAGE? As it is, some of our members whose membership began with September, and who should have been getting the paper all winter, have only just now had their names put on the list, and some of the Treasurers are still holding the MESSAGE money for members whose dues have been paid for six months or more.

Beloved, your State Treasurer must be Constitutional, and so she must compute membership and pay national dues on the basis of "sixty-five cents" annually per member received by her.

Yours for a true statement,

ALICE RUTH PALMER.

### SPECIAL OFFER.

This department will pay the traveling expense to the next State Convention for the County or Local Superintendent of Non-Alcoholic Medication who makes the best report on all lines of work in this department during the year, and who shall send to the State Superintendent on or before July 1, 1903, the best original paper on this subject, prepared by the Superintendent or some one else in the county, said paper never having appeared in print before.

### HADLEY SCHOOL.

We, in the Home, are rejoicing in milder weather and brighter days. We experience some anxiety as we watch the decreasing coal supply.

We enjoyed the Christmas times, as so many of the friends and the live unions remembered the school royally. Boxes containing nuts, candies and cake were highly appreciated. Then came the essentials of life in the way of bedding and clothing, and one box contained a present for each girl in the Home, with her name pinned to it.

This was done by writing for the names and ages in advance. This box was highly appreciated, as all fared well.

There is still room for donations in the matter of kitchen utensils, large spoons, paring knives, ladles, towelings, etc. The bed-rooms would be more comfortable with rugs at the bedside and muslin or lace curtains at the windows, and almost anything that would give a homelike appearance to the rooms.

In the lack of shoes we experience the greatest difficulty, as we have none at hand to replace those worn out. If some friend could secure us the donation of a box of shoes of many sizes, we would not be choice as to the style, if the heels are not too high or the toes too pointed. Please remember these hints, and come and see for yourselves where you can help us.

L. HOBART.

Hadley, Jan. 18, 1903.

### HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Scarlet fever has again broken out at the Hadley Industrial School, which increases the burden and perplexities of our faithful Board. The Matron having fallen under nervous prostration, Miss Hobart, our self sacrificing President, is now at the school. She writes: "Myself and two other women and the farmer constitute the well corps of workers." Dear Sisters, certainly this is a time for us to show our interest in the school and our appreciation of the workers who are bearing such heavy burdens of work and worry. Few of us but have felt the pressure because of the price and scarcity of coal this winter, and it is a heavy expense to heat the school. We need a hundred dollars right away to pay for coal, and several hundred dollars more are needed for other necessities. This illness in the home will necessitate a great deal of washing, and our washing machines are almost entirely worn out. We need rugs for the floors, and kitchen utensils of all kinds. Things wear out in our own homes, and our School Home is no exception. Marion County will have a kitchen shower for Hadley soon, and I write this little letter to you because our dear women at the school are so uncomplaining, and I know you will wish to help when you know the stress they are under at the present time. Do the thing that the Spirit suggests as you read this letter.

Cordially,

HATTIE W. BRAND.

### FIELD NOTES.

**Prohibition Victories.**—Oliver W. Stewart was elected Representative in the Illinois Legislature from the Hyde Park district, Chicago. J. H. Cunneen was elected Attorney General of New York by prohibitionists. W. M. Rogers was elected Justice of the Supreme Court of New York by prohibitionists. F. T. McCullom was elected sheriff of Venango County, Pa. J. Lamberton, prohibition commissioner-elect, Venango County, Pa. N. C. Gilbert was elected prohibition city official, Geneseo, Ill. L. W. Mills was elected prohibition town clerk, Wheaton, Ill. D. Worthey was elected prohibition alderman, Pontiac, Ill. J. M. Purdum was elected prohibition alderman, Batavia, Ill. C. L. Burnett was elected prohibition assessor, National Park, N. J. J. J. Sweetland was elected prohibition school commissioner, Tompkins County, New York.—*The New Herald.*

**South Bend women** are taking an active interest in the canteen law, and are determined to fight against its repeal. At a meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. held recently at the residence of Mrs. C. L. Warner, 321 South Franklin street, the ladies decided to write letters to United States Senators asking them to support the law. The Union has placed a picture of Miss Willard in the High School and has sent a box to a needy family in northern Michigan.

**Grant County.**—The Hadley W. C. T. U. held a reception for its honorary members at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doherty on New Year's eve. About forty persons were present, and enjoyed a pleasant evening in guessing contests and other games. Refreshments were served at 10 o'clock, all agreeing they had spent a most enjoyable evening. For honoraries this is the banner Union in the State, having thirteen members. On Sabbath evening, Jan. 4, 1903, our State president, Eunice P. Wilson, paid our Union a visit, giving a pleasing account of her trip to Portland, Me. She spoke of the different attitude of the newspapers toward the convention at the present time in comparison to former years. The W. C. T. U. has grown in popularity until all papers are glad to report their proceedings. She spoke of the success of prohibition in Maine. We received two new members at this meeting.

**Mrs. E. B. Ingalls**, our National Superintendent of Non-Alcoholics, says: This year I will give a diamond stick pin to the woman sending me the greatest number of pledge cards signed by boys under 21 years of age. Coupons must be received before October, 1903. The woman can have all the help she can get. This is to count on the 5,000,000 boys, but also pledges every girl. Send to me for plan of work, constitution for anti-cigarette league and pins, 4119 Westminster Place, St. Louis, Mo.

**Program for February 17.**—The Heavenly Birthday of Frances E. Willard. Bible Reading, Prov. 31, 29-31; First Cor. 15, 51-58. Music, Memorial Ode (White Ribbon Hymnal). Roll Call. Responses from Miss Willard's writings. Selection by a Y., "Miss Willard's Influence upon Young Women." (Y. number *Union Signal*, W. P. T. A., 5 cents.) Five minute talks by members: "What Phase of Miss Willard's Character has Most Impressed Me"—Her Loyalty to God; her Breadth of View; her Unselfish Spirit; her Eloquence; her Power of Leadership. Recitation, by a member of L. T. L. Remarks by President, "How We May Perpetuate Her Influence." Offering for memorial organization fund for State and National work. (Helps, *The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard*, \$2.00. W. T. P. A., Chicago.)

**Marshall County** Institute is to be held at Culver this year, a pretty little town on the banks of the beautiful Lake Maxinkuckee. They have no Union, but as our State Superintendent of Institutes requested that Institutes be held in unorganized towns, we responded with ladies there and found that they were very anxious to have us come. We hope to be able to organize at that time. I do not want to make promises, for "actions speak louder than words," but I believe that Marshall County will be recognized at the next State Convention. The new Union at Bremen is doing aggressive work under the leadership of Mrs. Anna Ditty. Bourbon has prepared an excellent annual program. Argos has placed Miss Willard's picture in the hall of the public school building. Plymouth is holding her own bravely.

**Mrs. White writes:** Broad Ripple W. C. T. U. held a union gospel temperance meeting during the protracted meeting at the Christian Church. We were greatly aided by both churches, Methodist and Christian, uniting, and both pastors taking an active part. We were also aided by Sisters Davis and Carr, whose help we appreciated very much. Mr. Gebbs and others assisted with music. One pastor made the assertion: "I would be the greatest hypocrite living if I were to go ahead helping to lift souls up from this great evil, and then go into the booths and vote for it." We feel as if we had secured a great victory in gaining unity in the churches.

**Mrs. Emily McIntosh**, President of Allen county, writes: Madison township, Allen county, has just filed a remonstrance against the only saloon-keeper in the township, with 190 names signed, so he will not get a license, and we are hoping from this on to be enrolled with the dry townships. Ours is the first in Allen county to canvass with the blanket remonstrance giving the power of attorney to sign the names. Pray for us, that we may be able to gain the victory.

**Bedford Union** held a very interesting Mothers' Meeting at the house of Mrs. E. R. Braxtan. The meeting was opened with singing and prayer, followed by the reading of the Christmas lesson entitled, "The World's Savior." Every child that is raised in the world is in a degree a savior of mankind; not in the sense that the Divine Savior was, but every railroad conductor who carries his train, laden with human lives, over the line and in safety reaches its destination can be termed nothing less than a savior of humanity. So in every avenue of life, where duty is performed conscientiously and with the best knowledge one has, does each one prove to be, in a certain degree, a savior of their fellowmen. Hence the necessity of child study and child training on the part of parents and teachers, that each individual, as he enters the active arena of

life, may perform his or her duty to the best possible advantage and the most good of all whom it may touch. An open parliament was next held on the subject of "How can the Sabbath be made attractive, and yet be reverently kept?" All were unanimous in the desire to keep the Sabbath free from desecration, and that an agitation should be raised in our own city against Sunday baseball and football, amusements that in themselves are innocent, but not in keeping with the Sabbath day. The Mothers' Meetings are growing in interest and earnestness. Great good will be accomplished by the awakening of the true mother hearts of our city.

**Mr. Carey**, of the New Home Sewing Machine Company, of Indianapolis, made a gift to the Hadley Industrial School of one of his choice machines at Christmas time. It was received with cheers by all in the home.

**The Frances E. Willard Union**, of South Bend, a new organization, is doing much active work, and is planning to start a Loyal Temperance Legion. This promises to be one of the largest Unions in the city. At every meeting since the organization new members have been added. Following are names of the officers: President, Mrs. Wesley Close, 706 Keasey street; Vice-President, Miss Nettie Taylor, S. Fellow street; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sue Orner, 1208 S. Michigan street; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Brodbeck, 1108 S. Michigan street; Treasurer, Mrs. Anna Davis, 727 Carroll street. All of South Bend.

**Lowell Union**, Lake County, has held three medal contests this winter, and is sustaining a good Loyal Temperance Legion.

**Leaflets** can be had for free distribution on the Industrial School, to be used in contests. Order of Mrs. Rebecca Hessong, Nora, Ind.

**The South Bend Chapin Park W. C. T. U.** held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. C. Fassnacht, in Chapin Park. The program included Scripture reading by Mrs. Cotton and a prayer for the work by Mrs. Fassnacht. Mrs. Sharpless made a report of her jail and prison work. A box valued at \$16 was sent to the Hadley Home. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Cotton, 334 North Michigan street, on February 10.

**At Bedford Mothers' Meeting**, in December, there was held a Free Parliament on "Why are the boys of our high school allowed to smoke on the school grounds?" The result of this discussion is the teachers have forbidden any smoking on any of the playgrounds in the city.

**In the Election** of Oliver W. Stewart, National Chairman of the Prohibition party, to the Illinois Legislature the Prohibitionists won a great victory. He is a member of the House of Representatives from one of the Chicago districts. On the election of the Speaker of the House Mr. Stewart was appointed to serve on a committee of three to escort the Speaker to the chair. By invitation of the Speaker Mr. Stewart, in the absence of a Chaplain, offered prayer at the opening of the second day's session of the House of Representatives.

**The Presentation** of the following recommendation in the Philadelphia Presbytery caused heated discussion, but the facts were not disputed: "No public denial has been made of an article which appeared in a reliable newspaper a few months ago, that twenty-five members of this Presbytery are members of a political club which sells and dispenses liquor. We would recommend that a committee be appointed to learn whether the statements in said article be true." The Union League Club of Philadelphia, referred to, has on its membership list four brewers, 13 wholesale liquor dealers and 94 doctors of divinity of the city of Philadelphia. The Club sells liquors every day and night, Sunday not excepted. According to its own published annual report it sells \$42,000 worth of wine a year. The names of these 25 Presbyterian clergymen who are members of the Presbytery have been published and sent out.

**Mrs. McDaniels**, of Terre Haute, writes: The new Maple Avenue M. E. Church was dedicated recently, and the entire indebtedness was subscribed or given that day. There was \$125 pledged separately for our beautiful Willard window. We are proud of the window. Our former pastor, the Rev. Shemmaker, said there wasn't anything about the church that he was prouder of than the Willard window. The window has for the center Frances E. Willard's portrait, with our motto, "For God and Home and Every Land," and below in large letters, "W. C. T. U."

### IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. MINA SQUIRES.**—In the death of Mrs. Mina Squires the Cherubusco W. C. T. U. has lost a loved and faithful member; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the cause of Temperance has lost a worthy supporter and one who was always ready to contribute of her means to suffering humanity. That by kindness of spirit and grace of conduct, by patience and fidelity in the discharge of the many duties of her life, she has inspired nobler views of life and has won the love and confidence of all. That we commend our sister's life as an example well worthy of imitation, and that we hope to meet her again when we form a more perfect Union in the home beyond.

*Resolved*, That the Woman's Christian Temperance Union extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy, and commend them to Him who said, "I will not leave you comfortless."

God bids her rest for a season,

For the pathway had grown too steep,

And folded in fair green pastures,

He giveth His loved one sleep.

MRS. MARY COULTER,

ROSE GRISAMER,

EMMA PRESSLER,

Committee.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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March 20th, birthday of Neal Dow. Prohibition day for the world.

Of the 27,000,000 people in the Southern States 17,000,000 are under prohibitory liquor laws.—*Local Option.*

Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, elected by the Prohibitionists to the Illinois Legislature, has been appointed on a number of important committees in the House of Representatives.

## THE UNION SIGNAL.

The *Union Signal* is the official organ of the World's and our National W. C. T. U. It is the greatest philanthropic journal published in the world to-day. Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett, one of America's brightest young journalists, is managing editor. Every Christian home should have this most remarkable of Woman's papers as a regular weekly visitor.

All Special Subscription offers to the *Union Signal* have closed, but, desiring to do our part in the observance and celebration of Mrs. Stevens' birthday, which has been made by the National W. C. T. U. *Union Signal* Red Letter Day, we shall, during the week of March 1st to March 8th, again have a special subscription season, offering the *Union Signal* for this week only in clubs of ten at the \$1.00 rate.

When a White Ribboner reads this item and wants to do Temperance Missionary Work she should secure a subscriber herself and urge others to do so. Fifty-two visits of the *Union Signal* into a home in one year for less than two cents a week! Send it to your ministers, public libraries, and to the young women whom you expect to win for God, and Home, and Humanity.

## ORGANIZATION.

At the National Convention we made inquiry concerning the methods employed by the States which reported the most progressive work and the largest increase in membership. As Mrs. Wilson, our President, has before stated, we found that it was not by the adoption of new methods, but by the careful application of old ones, all of which are well known to us. One of our great methods is that of education through the medium of public meetings and the distribution of up-to-date literature. There are hundreds of towns in Indiana in which not a public temperance meeting was held during the past year, and yet there is no subject of greater importance, because our State is the battle ground for a fearful conflict between the advocates and opponents of the liquor traffic. As Chairman of Organization I desire to do all in my power, not only to organize new Unions, but to build up old ones. Many Unions are weak, dying or dead because they have neglected to push the work and increase their forces. This I repeat from their own statements to me. Dear sisters, nothing worth achievement is won without effort, and I want to help you to have one stirring public temperance meeting this year in your town. I am in communication with several of the most talented speakers in the nation, with a view to making a route for them through our State. The terms will be just as reasonable as I can arrange for, but remember that our cause is worthy of the very best talent, and we can not secure this talent without compensation. Will you not begin to think and plan to have one of these speakers, and communicate very soon with me in regard to it? I shall endeavor to secure only such women, and will do the most practical and aggressive temperance work, looking especially to the increase of membership.

HATTIE W. BRAND.

## A CALL—LORD'S DAY WEEK, APRIL 19-25, 1903.

Let us, in the Lord's Day week of this year, pray definitely that the Sabbath may not be profaned for purposes of business, of travel, or of recreation, especially in these countries which owe their life and prosperity to the fostering care of God and the observance of His holy day.

We therefore call the attention of all Christians to the twenty-fifth annual Lord's Day week, April 19-25, 1903, and urge them to devote as much of it as practicable to prayer that God will arouse the whole church to renewed consecration and zeal in keeping the Sabbath as He has directed. We request each pastor to preach on this subject during that week, and each church, young people's society and W. C. T. U. to devote at least one meeting to its prayerful consideration, seeking three definite results: First, A higher standard of Sabbath keeping among Christians. Second, Release of as many as possible from Sunday toil. Third, Discontinuance of Sunday amusements, especially Sunday excursions and games. We urge that leaflets in reference to the Sabbath be distributed that week in every home and as occasion may offer at other times.

The Call to Prayer is now ready, and we are anxious that the circulation shall be very large. At the present writing (Feb. 16th), the circulation has more than doubled that of any preceding year. The "Call" Report blanks and samples of literature have been sent to each County and Local Superintendent whose name is on my list. If you are a Superintendent and have not yet received your supply, please send me your name and address. Have the Call to Prayer printed in your daily and weekly papers; also, church and temperance papers.

The past year has not been without its victories. Recently in Nimes, France, 1,000 employes from shops and stores paraded the streets carrying banners saying "Buy nothing on Sundays." The same thing was repeated in Paris.

Formerly, trains that ran on the Belgian State railroads ran on all days alike. By recent report, out of the 2,514 freight trains 2,227 have rest on Sundays, 202 run in special emergencies, and only 85 run regularly. This gives 9,000 former Sunday toilers a complete Sunday's rest.

The Milwaukee City Council has forbidden crying goods on the streets on Sunday.

At one point, where the churches united and protested against Sunday excursions, the officials replied: "We sent the excursion train at the earnest request of your business men." Securing the names of the business men, it was found that they were all saloon keepers. So it is in most cases,—saloons teach Sabbath desecration because it leads to drinking and many other evils.

Organized effort, petitions, letters, telegrams, etc., secured from Congress a law that the Louisiana Exposition, at St. Louis, shall receive no gift from the nation until a contract is signed that the gates will be kept closed every Sunday.

Sabbath Observance workers and others made the Sunday open fair in Ohio such a failure that it is not likely to be repeated.

The Call to Prayer Leaflets, Sabbath Pledge cards and all kinds of literature can be secured from Mrs. V. F. Cox, Tabor, N. J., or from your State Superintendent, at 10 and 15 cents per 100 leaflets.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State and Associate National Supt. Sabbath Observance.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Balch, at 1514 Vernon avenue, Louisville, Ky., and took their beautiful little Beulah. The desolation in that home is great. Deep is the grief of the devoted parents, grandmother and "Auntie Wood." Our hearts ache for them. We know only too well how this wonderfully bright, affectionate little birdling had nestled close to their hearts. The MESSAGE extends sympathy to the stricken ones.

## JUDGE C. A. POLLOCK ON PROHIBITION.

Extracts from a speech at a union temperance meeting of the Methodist conference and Presbyterian synod at Jamestown, North Dakota:

In the absence of our regular official channel of gathering statistics it becomes largely a matter of personal judgment whether or not the prohibitory law has proven a success. The angle of vision, the self-interest of the party speaking, was likely to largely color his statements.

With this thought in mind, having received a letter from a prominent citizen of Mississippi relative to the merits of the prohibitory system, the Legislature of that State then having before it for discussion a statewide prohibitory measure, Judge Pollock wrote to several prominent citizens of the State, of long residence and widely scattered as to location, persons of very high personal and official standing, whom he believed were in touch with public affairs, and therefore competent to speak.

The inquiries made from Mississippi covered the following points: "Measure of enforcement; effect on the moral welfare of the people, especially the rising generation; effect on crime, and the general sentiment of the people concerning a retention of the law."

The Judge stated that all the answers received were remarkable in their unanimity as to the favorable working of the law. In some cases word came from persons who did not and do not in principle favor the prohibitory system, and yet conceded its working a success. Without being able to quote the letters in full, he gave the following statements made by the several writers referred to:

U. S. Senator Henry C. Hansbrough, of Devil's Lake: "I am thoroughly convinced that the abolition of the open saloon in our State has done wonderful work from the standpoint of morality and economy for our people. I can recall the time in territorial days when the saloon was the principal institution in many of our towns, and all classes of people went in and out and thought nothing of standing at the bar with ladies and children passing along the sidewalks.

All this has been done away with under our prohibition law, and I do not believe the people of North Dakota, if they should ever be given an opportunity to vote upon the question, would put themselves on record in favor of the return of the saloon. The law has been enforced to an extent which has been highly beneficial to our people, and there has been a great lessening of crime. I know a great many who cannot be said to be prohibitionists who nevertheless would never cast their ballot in favor of a return of the saloon."

Congressman B. F. Spalding, Fargo: "My estimate of the result would be that in the eastern part of the State the sale of spiritous and malt liquors does not exceed in amount more than one-fourth the sale prior to the enactment of prohibitory legislation, and that the consumption of such liquors is not more than 40 per cent of its consumption prior to prohibition. Not nearly so favorable results appear in the western part of the State. The effect of prohibition has been an improvement of the moral welfare of the people, and it certainly makes it more difficult and less respectable for the rising generation to obtain or use it. It has lessened crime. In my opinion the general sentiment of the people favors the retention of the law."

Congressman Thomas F. Marshall, Oakes, N. D.: "Referring to your inquiry relative to the enforcement of the prohibitory law in this State, will say, the law seems to me to be as well enforced as other similar laws. The matter of enforcement depends to a great extent on local sentiment, and I believe the territory where prohibition sentiment prevails is being extended in this State. To my mind, the most striking benefit resulting from the prohibitory law lies in the practical absence of open saloons, which will have a very great influence for good with our boys and young men of the State, and will, in turn, greatly strengthen the cause of prohibition in the near future."

Ex-Congressman M. N. Johnson, Petersburg: "The results of twelve years of prohibition have been good. Classifying rum selling as a crime makes it repulsive. While not well enforced in some places, and not an absolute preventive, its tendency is like other laws against vice and crime, diminution and extermination of the evils aimed at. I consider our educational endowment (probably worth fifty millions) our most precious heritage, in so far as we owe nothing to human legislation. Our next and most valuable asset in the State, I think, is our prohibition law. These are the foundation of our future greatness. The people of the State are more emphatic than ever in favor of prohibition."

Justice Newman C. Young, of Fargo, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, now a resident of Fargo, was, before going on the bench, a long time resident of the Seventh district, and was for several years the prosecuting attorney of Pembina County, in that district. He says:

"In my opinion the results of the prohibition law in this State have been decidedly satisfactory to the friends of the law and emphatically unsatisfactory to those who believe in the open saloon. The middle class, who believe in good morals and good citizenship, but doubted the efficacy of the remedy, are constantly moving toward an attitude of friendliness to the present law. As to its enforcement, in my judgment, barring the extreme western part of the State, which has peculiar conditions, will say that offenders against its conditions meet with as certain and speedy punishment as offenders against other laws, and I may say this enforcement is due to the increasing sentiment in favor of the law, which demands of public officers a full performance of their duty. The general moral effect upon the State has been marked, and in every branch and department of society and government. The demand for a better class of officers in township, village, city, county and State has followed gradually. Our villages are better governed. Instead of being run by saloons and saloon influence, a better element is in control, and streets and public places are fit for the presence of women and children. For twelve years the boys of the State have been free from the pernicious influence of the profanity, vulgarity and criminality of the open saloon. The result is that they are more under home influence, have more time to read and form habits and character based upon a more exalted idea of the value and purpose of human life than can be drawn from the bestial influence of the licensed saloon. During my four years' service as State's attorney of Pembina County I had some experience in the enforcement of the law. A good lesson had to be given in the first instance, and since that time there have been few convictions, and in fact few prosecutions, no occasion existing; they had received their just deserts, found the law would work, and that it did not depend wholly on public sentiment for its enforcement. I know there have been fewer crimes of any kind in the county since—probably one prosecution where there were five before. The sentiment in that county has grown steadily in favor of the law, and from personal knowledge I can say that this is also true of Cavalier (Continued on second page.)

"A CIVIC SABBATH IS THE STRONGEST PILLAR IN THE TEMPLE OF LIBERTY."



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The Funeral Ritual of the Huntington W. C. T. U. is recommended by the State Central Committee for general use in all Unions. The Huntington Union has been asked to keep a sufficient number of copies on hand to supply the Unions. For sample copies, price, etc., write to Mrs. Lou E. Rall, Huntington. All rights to publication reserved by the Huntington Union.

### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

It has been almost four months since meeting at Huntington. In many ways the L. T. L. Convention was a great disappointment to me, and I came away from that meeting greatly impressed that something must be done in Indiana for the Senior Loyal Temperance Legion. Several of the Legions have members ready for diplomas, and others have members who would be glad to study for one. Won't you give especial attention to the Senior work for the rest of this year? You understand that all Legioners over twelve years of age are Seniors, but only those holding diplomas are entitled to vote in State Convention or hold State office. Those of you who attended the Huntington Convention will remember what a serious time we had to secure our present officers, and I plead with you, for the sake of our State, for the sake of the work, put your energies into the Senior work and bring big graduating classes and voting delegations to our next Convention. Unless you do, the work will not advance any during this year. If you do not now understand how to proceed, secure through your State Secretary, Mrs. Mix, of Kokomo, or through the W. T. P. A., the leaflets and literature necessary to enlighten yourself in regard to the work. Please let me hear from all those local secretaries having Senior Legioners before another month shall have passed, so that I may know what the outlook for our State Legion is.

EDITH HILLIS,  
State L. T. L. President.

### Y. W. C. T. U.

Miss Rena Day is President of the new Y. W. C. T. U. at Jonesboro, organized by Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson the 26th of December. They began with ten members, and we trust by the fall Convention they may have such a gain that they will receive the State Y. Banner.

Anderson Y.'s and W.'s arranged for a Parlor meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Parlors on Saturday afternoon, February 7, to which quite a number of ladies responded, and appreciated the eloquent address given by Mrs. Maria Weed on Sabbath evening. She occupied the pulpit in the Presbyterian Church. The large audience spoke in the highest terms of her work.

Anderson Y.'s Clipping Contest closed on the 8th, after six weeks' work. The judges found 29½ yards of clippings, and they reported 1,110 arrests. Think of what the arrests must be in a year from Alcohol! Dear girls, let us do all we can to put it down.

I have requested the Y.'s in the State to send me reports of their work, so I can have it for our Y. column in the MESSAGE, but they do not respond as I wish they would.

Treasurer Miss Palmer sends the list of the Unions which paid dues the first quarter, Fredericksburg, Goshen and Anderson. Coloma Y.'s free will offering was \$5.85; just think of that! We want to congratulate them.

South Bend's Y. President, Miss Showalter, has been quite ill, but is recovering now. Let us pray that she may soon be strong.

Remember, March 15th the half of our year has passed. It will be time to pay dues. Those whose dues become due in the second quarter, do not wait for the Treasurer to ask you, but you ask her if it is time for you to pay.

Mrs. Retta Jones, Madison County's President, accompanied the Y. Secretary to Summitville the 8th of February, where we hoped, after the evening service, we could organize, but no interest was shown to our cause, sorry to say.

Let us do our very best the rest of the year to organize new Y.'s and secure new members to our home Unions. Above all things, be much in prayer.

CLARA M. SEARS.

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County, and in my judgment is true of all counties east of the Missouri river. I think, if the question was left to a popular vote, 75 per cent of the voters would favor prohibition. I also think that the consumption of intoxicating liquors is not to exceed 25 per cent of what it was before prohibition. The great number of small towns and the absence of proper police protection in this State make the saloon dangerous and intolerable, and furnishes one of the chief arguments in favor of prohibition. Had I the time I would attempt to paint a picture of this State fifty years hence, when every village and hamlet will have its free library instead of the saloon, with homes of happiness and culture instead of pitiful poverty, moral, intellectual and financial (ruin) which always accompanies the open saloon. In a new State, with many different nationalities with selfish interests to counteract, with strong aid from the State government or from county officials in many instances, the law has increased in favor and effectiveness, so that with 12 years behind us so large a measure of success has come that those who believe in good order and good citizenship can feel assured that at least for conditions such as we have in this State our method is the best and promises much for the future of the State and its people."

Judge W. S. Lauder, Wahpeton: "I have no hesitancy in saying that the general results of the prohibition law in the State of North Dakota have been good. It is unfortunately true that the law has not been strictly observed in all places within the State, but these have been inhabited by people who are to a large extent unfriendly to a strict enforcement of the law. In the Fourth district, as a whole, the law has been fairly well enforced. It is my deliberate judgment that in this district, under prohibition, there has not been one-tenth as much intoxicating liquors sold as would have been sold under the license system. As a whole, the effect of the prohibition law on the moral welfare of the people has been good, especially on the rising generation, and there can be no possible question that because of the prohibition law crime has greatly decreased. As to the general sentiment of the people concerning retention of the law will say, in a few localities in this district on a test vote, a majority would be in favor of repeal, but in my opinion, taking the district as a whole, on a fair test, the vote would be largely in favor of retaining the law as it is. My observation leads me to believe that many persons who themselves habitually use intoxicating liquors would, if the question were again up, vote and work against the repeal of the law. While these persons drink liquor themselves, they do not, for the general good of the community, wish to see the saloons again established in North Dakota."

No class of men have so much influence upon the people of a community as the editors. They speak to us daily upon all important questions. Hear what George B. Winship, editor of the *Grand Forks Herald*, writes under date of Feb. 12, 1902:

"The morals of the people have improved. Were it necessary I could cite numerous instances of the moral improvement of families and neighborhoods which formerly were in a low, degraded state, owing to the proximity of saloons. The beneficial effect upon the rising generation cannot be estimated. There are thousands of children in this State who have never seen a saloon or public drinking place. Crime has materially lessened in the past decade, especially in the minor degrees, such as street brawls, fights and general disorderly conduct. Public sentiment is certainly three to one in favor of the retention of the law. Prohibition in North Dakota is here to stay."

The following written me from Washington during the temporary absence of Major A. W. Edwards, of Fargo, is so characteristic of the whole souled editor who is known to more people in the State perhaps than any other man, I insert in its entirety. It speaks volumes:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 15, 1902.

"DEAR JUDGE—Your inquiry, addressed to Fargo, followed me here. Although thoroughly favorable to the proposition, I did not vote for the prohibition clause at the time of the adoption of the State constitution because I was impressed that Fargo, with over a half hundred licensed saloons, would have a number

of empty buildings should prohibition prevail, and that many business men—of that kind—would be left without legitimate employment.

"As it happened, prohibition did prevail, and became a potent factor in our statehood.

"As a member of the General Assembly of 1895, sustained by personal observations of the workings of the law in North Dakota, when the question of resubmission came before the Legislature, I did what was possible to prevent a resubmission resolution being passed at that time. This I regarded as a turning point, and have never doubted either the righteousness of the cause or the people of our State. North Dakota is, beyond question, in favor of prohibition, and so am I, because it is right.

"The buildings made empty by the abolishment of the saloons have been turned into emporiums of trade—a credit to the city and to the people. Fargo, whatever may be her shortcomings in other directions, is a homelike city to live in, and I attribute it largely to the fact that the prohibition law is enforced as near perfectly as it is possible for humanity to walk in a straight line.

"I am convinced that the prohibition law is stronger in this State to-day than ever before, and that it will grow in the hearts of our people as time rolls on.

"I recall various arguments, admissions and demurrers promulgated by those adverse to the proposition. We often hear it asserted that the law is a farce because it is not enforced. Another says, 'Why, I know many places where saloons are run as wide open as under the license system.' Occasionally we hear it said: 'I would favor prohibition if it prohibited.'

"Sometime ago I read in what is called the *Spirits and Wine Makers' Journal* an article giving an account of the sales of spirituous liquors by States, and the assertion was made that in North Dakota the sales have been reduced 70 per cent since prohibition was adopted, and then the resubmissionists argue from that that the law is a farce because there is still 30 per cent of stimulants sold, as proven by government license, and therefore accurate. My answer to that is, as a prohibitionist, that, if prohibition has reduced the sales of spirits 70 per cent compared with license days, in the face of the growing population, we ought to feel proud of that record, considering the sort of merchandise and the kind of merchants within our borders handling the same.

"I am glad that prohibition is a part of the fundamental law of North Dakota. Our people are benefited. I have four boys who never saw an open saloon in North Dakota, and proud to say that, in my judgment, they never will."

### SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS.

I have sent out Literature on School Savings Banks to a number of you, hoping to hear from you, and have just received a new supply. I believe we ought to try this year to do something in this department, and then if, after faithfully trying, we fail, I will think we are not ready for it in Indiana and be willing to close the Department. We must reach the school principals and bankers, and this can be done by you and no one else. A personal appeal from the President of the Union, if you have no Superintendent, will accomplish more than a package of Literature will from me. Every town that has a bank and graded school ought to have an appeal to the officials of these. Let any President who will try, send me a card, and I will send her a sample package of Literature. Let her study it carefully herself, then take it to the school and ask the Principal to read it; then call for it and talk the matter over with him—then take it to the banker and do the same thing. This will mean only a few hours of time, and it is surely worth that much effort. Send your name for literature as soon as you read this, and I will send it immediately. Let us do something along this line, or at least try.

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,  
State Superintendent.

### LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Dear L. T. L. Workers: May you prove the truth of our National Golden Text for 1903 (Phil. 4:19), as you faithfully observe our daily concert of prayer at 7 P. M. Let us extend our work. First, by a brave effort to make all childless Unions realize that they cannot afford to be without Legions. Circulate Miss Willard's "Appeal to Mothers," urge the Unions to appoint a standing committee on L. T. L. work, to adopt the L. T. L. Normal Grade. Second, seek definite, practical co operation with junior church societies and Sabbath schools. Send to Miss Alice M. Guernsey, No. 17 Webster Place, East Orange, New Jersey, for leaflets prepared by a national committee for this purpose, price 5 cents per set. Superintendents to keep in touch with up-to-date methods and helps to be obtained from National and State L. T. L. Secretaries and from every available source. Miss Guernsey publishes a valuable little paper, "Loyal Temperance Legion Helper," price 10 cents for the eight monthly numbers issued annually. Consult the *Young Crusader* each month for practical suggestions. To increase the active membership, enlist the boys and girls in the work by offering them some recognition for good results. Hold red and blue membership contests. Institute fishing clubs. Let each Legion aim to double its active membership this year. Plan definitely to hold the children after they are secured by making the meeting so interesting that they will be unwilling



to stay away. A program committee should carefully plan each meeting in advance, remembering that what the Legions are trained to do themselves will hold their interest far better than what is done for them. A Plan of Work committee should arrange to have always on hand some work by which the Legion itself or some outside object is to be benefited, as our L. T. L. room in the Frances E. Willard National Hospital, L. T. L. extension fund for planting and maintaining Legions in the mission portion of our own country and in our new foreign possessions. Mrs. Rice says, "I am very desirous that our Legions, both Junior and Senior, shall contribute to the Willard memorial organization fund by raising any amount that can be secured from 25 cents to \$2.00. I know that such contributions will be especially gratifying to Mrs. Stevens, Miss Gordon and the other National officers, and they seem very fitting to me for the L. T. L." And then our own State Hadley Home needs our attention, and I am sure our donations, however small, would be thankfully received. The ways of working are so numerous and interesting that the Legion may be kept in a constant state of enthusiastic expectation. Have the meetings strictly parliamentary, while always breezy.

A crusade for honorary (adult) members, who pay ten cents a year, is a source of revenue, in addition to their interest when secured. Let the Legion arrange to render a brief program at a regular W. C. T. U. meeting, to be followed by an appeal for honorary members. Endeavor to collect from each Legioner the small amount of dues asked, five cents for State and the same amount for the National W. C. T. U. treasury. This to be sent through the same channel as the W. C. T. U. dues, to the local W. C. T. U. Treasurer, then the county, up to the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer. The success of this matter depends almost wholly upon the kindly persistency of the local Superintendents. Scarcely a child is so poor that he does not spend money for candy. Part of our mission is to teach the young people the joy of giving. Suggest ways for them to earn the small amount. One of the easiest methods is to allow each child who secures five honorary members to have the fee for one of these members to pay his own dues.

Remember our State Honor Roll. All Legions will be enrolled who pay dues on all pledged members.

More attention should be paid to our L. T. L. diploma and post graduate courses, as fully explained in the leaflet bearing this title. This includes work for both Juniors and Seniors.

Juniors should take thorough study as well as Seniors, and the requirements for obtaining the two Junior certificates and seals are not difficult. On Vol. 3, examination on Nos. 1 and 2, and the reading of Nos. 3 and 4; on Vol. 2, examination on the four numbers. The certificates can be obtained of the W. T. P. A., price two for five cents, the seals of Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, No. 306 Salisbury street, LaFayette, one cent each. The Junior examination questions need not be written, but oral, leaving each Superintendent to use the review questions at the close of each manual or to prepare questions of her own as she may choose.

SENIOR COURSE.—When twelve years old they are ready for Vol. 1, four books, the only study that will win the L. T. L. diploma. Examination questions and diplomas can be obtained for this course through the State L. T. L. Secretary. After the diploma is secured they are ready for the post graduate course. Graduate's dues are 25 cents, and must be sent direct to the State L. T. L. Treasurer, Nathan Lenfesty, at Marion, never to the State W. C. T. U. Treasurer.

The Organization Banner to the county for largest number of L. T. L.'s organized in the county was won by Mrs. Elnora Zent, Huntington County L. T. L. Secretary.

The Willard-Gordon Banner, for greatest amount of L. T. L. dues, and the new banner, for largest graduate class, were won by the Kokomo Legion. Now let each County Secretary try for the Organization Banner and each Legion strive to win one or both the other banners. The report blanks have been sent out to the County Secretaries as far as I have been able to secure their names, and to the local where there is no county organization. Now if there are any county or local leaders who have not received their blanks, please drop me a postal card and I will forward them by return mail. Yours for a big report for quarter ending March 15, 1903.

IDA M. MIX,  
L. T. L. Secretary.

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#### OUR VICE-PRESIDENT.

She served us long, and she served us well,  
Always glad the good tidings to tell;  
Faithful to Local, County and State,  
Always moving at the same easy gait;  
But now of her wedding we must tell,  
And how in the future she'll help, none can tell.  
Only yet to-day we may call her Miss Hadley,  
To-morrow—Hall it will be;  
But Hadley, or Hall, or whatever it will,  
She is our own dear Mary still,  
And, knowing the Doctor as we do,  
We are quite sure that the W. C. T. U.  
Band has not lost Mary, but gained him too.  
So, much joy to Mary and Doctor Hall,  
This I can say in behalf of us all.

—ETHEL E. BAIR.

#### PRIZES OFFERED IN MERCY DEPARTMENT.

How many are ready to begin the new year with a resolve to do just a little to teach the world to be kinder, to usher in His Kingdom? Just a little effort on your part may start a wave of influence that may be felt for years to come, for it is the small things of life that count for so much. When we are making our resolves for this year of 1903 let us all say, "I will be kinder than I have been, and I will try to spread the gospel of kindness." Then let us be on the alert for opportunities to carry this into effect, for resolves are worthless unless put into action. Shall I give you a hint how to do this? First, have a Superintendent of Mercy appointed in your Union. If you feel like doing the work, offer yourself. There is nothing like willing service. Then send the name and address to me and I will send you some sample literature. Next try and get some of your ministers to preach a sermon on "Kindness to God's Creatures." See how many you can get to preach, and go to hear them and ask others to go. To the Superintendent who has the largest number of sermons preached I will give as a prize one dozen "Black Beauty" books.

Then try earnestly to get signatures to the Bird Pledge. To the Superintendent securing the largest number of names I will give six "Dicky Downy" books. These books can be given out during the next year's work, and will help wonderfully in spreading the gospel of kindness. Send to me for a Bird Pledge at once and begin. Oh! if we could only teach women that the adornment of a loving and kindly soul is far more beautiful than the wings and bodies of dead songsters, what a song of rejoicing we could utter. Every sad cry of a murdered bird or moan of pain uttered by one of our dumb fellow creatures retards the coming of Christ's kingdom here on earth.

Dear sisters, let us be first in wiping out sorrow and suffering and ushering in a reign of love.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

The W. C. T. U. of Lancaster County, Pa., publishes a four page monthly paper, *Our Message*, which is a great help to the constituency. Will one of our Indiana counties soon need a paper of its own?

#### REPORT HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL—OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, 1902.

RECEIPTS.	
Addie Smith, solicitor.....	\$112.99
Mrs. Travis, solicitor.....	7.00
" " donation.....	1.00
Mrs. Houghton, sol'r.....	1.75
Boston.....	2.50
Ella Martin.....	1.00
Templeton contest.....	4.70
Mary Balch.....	2.00
Rochester.....	1.90
South Marion.....	10.00
Campbellsburg contest.....	3.40
John Studebaker.....	5.00
Borrowed money.....	100.00
Alma Shaw.....	1.00
Coatesville.....	1.00
Bridgeport.....	3.00
Tarleton, Indianapolis.....	2.75
Josephine Woods.....	1.00
Elizabeth Stanley.....	100.00
Greenfield.....	3.00
Moore's Hill.....	6.20
Plainfield.....	4.10
Edwardsport.....	\$2.00
Normal City.....	6.25
Deer Creek free will.....	26.02
Hope.....	2.00
Spencerville.....	2.50
Ottawa.....	3.21
North Vernon.....	3.00
North East, Indianapolis.....	3.21
Turkeys.....	4.00
Pigs.....	25.55
Cow.....	24.00
Collection from open day at school.....	7.61
Butter sold, 32 lbs.....	8.00
Charles Selva.....	9.00
Mrs. Johnson.....	6.00
Mrs. Cantlin.....	10.00
Glenzie.....	4.20
Miss Fay.....	5.00
Mr. Heller.....	5.00
Mr. Southworth.....	1.00

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Coal for last year.....	\$31.45
Printing leaflets.....	5.60
Mrs. Travis, sol's com'n.....	4.00
Addie Smith " ".....	31.67
Mr. & Mrs. Wells, sal'r.....	135.00
Stevenson, plowing.....	4.00
Litha Selch, as't mat'n.....	30.00
F. T. McWhirter, on Ins.....	3.00
Coal.....	100.00
Mrs. Logan, matron.....	10.00
Mr. Immel, salary.....	\$15.00
Miss Hobart expenses.....	11.00
Railroad ticket.....	9.00
Meal.....	8.01
Emergency.....	54.00
Groceries.....	18.26
Soap.....	10.70
Crackers.....	2.21
Sundries.....	15.30
Miss West, sew. mach.....	40.00

Dear Sisters—I hope you will read my report with much interest, and if you and your Union has not sent donation please do so and be reported next month. We have been compelled to borrow money to make some settlements. We hope we will not have to do this again. Let each Union do her part this year by holding a contest or sending donation of some amount. Let us begin this New Year of 1903 to do more active work for our Industrial School. If each Union will promise to help, we will close the year's work successfully. May the Lord help us all to do our part.

Yours for service,  
REBECCA HESSONG.

#### OF INTEREST TO LOCAL UNIONS

The Treasurer has on hand a number of large cards on which is printed the anti-tobacco law. These are on sale at 25 cents per dozen. Please order. There are a few Willard stick pins at 10 cents each. Please order. Also a number of copies of the State song, words only, and the song named "A Call to Service." Membership cards are 25 cents a hundred. Please order of ALICE RUTH PALMER,

#### FIELD NOTES.

Greencastle Union held a non-alcoholic meeting on the evening of Feb. 3 at the home of Mrs. John B. DeMotte. Mrs. A. T. Whitson, State Superintendent of the department, was the guest of the evening. She read an excellent and most practical

paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication, followed by a conversation led by Miss Minnetta Theodora Taylor. Much interest and enthusiasm was manifested in the discussion of the per cent of alcohol in patent medicines. Hon. Charles Newlin was present and made some very happy and helpful remarks. The singing of White Ribbon songs was led by Mr. Roy Naftzger, cornetist, and Mr. Ross Baker, violinist. Chorus singing by young men, Miss Badger pianist, was enjoyed. John B. DeMotte, Jr., as literature distributor, supplied each guest with two leaflets on the subject of the evening and for a souvenir gave each person a picture of Lady Henry Somerset printed on enamel paper. Refreshments were served, seven new members secured, and although it was very dark and rainy, about seventy persons were present. Mrs. Whitson's coming was beneficial to the Union.

On Sunday evening, February 15, Dr. Homer J. Hall gave an address for our Union, in the Christian church, on "The Gospel of Health." Notwithstanding the terrible blizzard a goodly number of people were present. The doctor speaks on "No Alcohol in Medicine" from a practitioner's standpoint. His lecture was fine, convincing and strong. The following Tuesday evening, February 17, Miss Willard's heavenly birthday, the regular meeting of the Union was held at Woman's Hall (college boarding hall for girls.) Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, our State Corresponding Secretary, was present and in an appropriate and beautiful manner paid tribute to Miss Willard and then gave out an address on the "Fulcrum of Success," which did great credit to the cause she represented and won for herself strong words of commendation. The Union reports over one hundred regular and about thirty honorary members. In less than one month many of these were secured, one member securing thirty-two regular and eight honorary members.

We are proud of our public school system, the grandest in the world. Yet for every dollar we spend for education, we spend fully \$25 for drink. If some vile fiend should land at Portland, Me., to-night at midnight, and with a torch should ignite every school building as far west as Portland, Ore., so that when to-morrow morning's sun arose it would behold nothing but ashes in the spots where our citadels of learning stood to-day, it would be a sad calamity. And yet the drink money of this Christian land for fifty-two weeks would rebuild every educational structure better than it was before.—Geo. F. Hall.

Mrs. Jennie Bradford, President of Jonesboro Union, is planning a scientific temperance meeting, as Superintendent of this department, to be held at night in one of the churches. There will be many special invitations. A good program will be rendered.

The Martinsville Union has finished a most successful year's work. Since its organization in 1888 great interest and growth have been manifested in many lines of the temperance cause. There is a membership of 48 earnest workers—persons of high ideals, with the stamina to carry them through any difficulties. While this organization is conscious that it fails to accomplish all it would like, yet the marked degree of success achieved is sufficient to repay for all the time and energy spent, and sufficient to inspire greater efforts in behalf of the future.

The success of the meetings is due to the arrangement of an interesting and instructive program. These programs are planned a year in advance, two for each month. At each meeting, well prepared papers are read and freely discussed by those present, and important points of the work carefully considered—in short, the Union is a society where all enjoy the social privileges and secure to themselves and their friends that whetting of mind against mind which has so much to do with mutual culture and enlightenment. Well do they realize that the work of the members is an important part of their school life, affording opportunities that make their lives broader, more responsive to the interests of others, more truly womanly. While credible work has been accomplished in the different departments, time forbids particular mention of any save a new feature of the work undertaken several months ago. Thoroughly imbued with the missionary spirit and realizing the conditions and needs of many who are outside the ordinary means of grace, the Union conceded the idea of establishing a mission on the West Side. Since the story of any mission is a history of God's method of saving souls, the knowledge of the work opened the hearts of these workers to their new duty. For this purpose a three-room cottage was rented in this locality and a large Sunday School organized under an able Superintendent, supported by a consecrated body of teachers. Mid-week services are conducted by friends and the several pastors of the city. Surely the inspiration to live for others and seek to incarnate the life of Jesus in every heart, home and locality is plainly visible.

This school, known as the West Side Mission, has been the means of reaching out and gathering in the children of this part of the city and creating within them more love for, more sympathy with and the desire to know more of Sunday School work and church. The classes are large and interesting, and recently the enrollment reached one hundred. A motherly kindness is shown the children and much happiness is added to their lives by taking them, in summer, a day into the country with well filled baskets of luncheon. This winter an interesting program and a Christmas treat were prepared for them. Great progress marks the work, and the results have been helpful and influential to the best interests of the community. A very strong statement in regard



to the work was made by a minister, who said that this work was accomplishing more good than all the churches in the city. Great earnestness and fixedness of purpose are the characteristics of the Union, and the resolution of the present is to do better work during the new year than ever before.

JOSEPHINE MAXWELL.

**The Richmond** Frances E. Willard Union held memorial services at their temple, on the 13th of February, in honor of our dear beloved sister, Frances E. Willard. There was a good attendance. The meeting was opened by reading a selection of Miss Willard's. After singing, "Some Glad Day," and a season of prayer, the roll was called, and most all responded to some beautiful quotation of her life. Two dollars will be forwarded to the Willard memorial fund. Our Union has arranged a program so that each Superintendent will hold a special meeting once a month, to be made interesting by songs, recitations and a special prepared paper on the subject given. We think this a wise plan, and see many unions are doing the same. We are happy also to announce that we are to have a matron's contest soon. It will take place on the 25th of February at Rhoda Temple. Also a jubilee meeting, to be held on the 20th of February. This meeting is to be a rejoicing together, because the last debt on our temple has been paid. A special program has been prepared. A review of the work will be given and an explanation of the great work being done now by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. We hope for a long list of new members. Refreshments will be served.

**The Wabash** W. C. T. U. held a very profitable meeting at the home of Mrs. O. P. Lines. The first half hour was spent in song and prayer for a revival of Christian activity in our city, after which considerable business was transacted.

**The Howard County** officers of the W. C. T. U., President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with the Board of Superintendents of all the departments, met in all day session Tuesday, February 3, in the local W. C. T. U. hall in Main street, discussed plans of work and decided to hold the next County Institute at New London, March 19 and 20.

**The Plainfield** W. C. T. U. held a most successful mass temperance meeting Sunday evening, January 18, at the Friends' church. All the local churches united in making the temperance meeting a success and had a crowded house. Services opened with a song by the audience, followed by a solo by members of Baptist church. Scripture reading, followed by quartet from the Methodist church. Prayer service next followed, preceded by singing by a quartet from the Christian church. The Rev. Peter W. Raidabaugh lectured on temperance in a most interesting and impressive manner, after which a duet was rendered by representatives of the Friends' church. A liberal collection was taken. All felt it had been a helpful meeting.

**The Kokomo** W. C. T. U. held a very interesting meeting at the residence of Mrs. Emma E. Dixon. About twenty ladies were present. A Bible reading was given by Mrs. Emily Ellis on the "Equipment for Christian Work." First, one needs physical strength. Second, knowledge of the truth. Third, the illumination of the Holy Spirit, and, last, love or charity. It was very helpful and instructive. The ladies feel that these Bible lessons are a source of great strength.

**The Fowlerton** W. C. T. U., organized by Mrs. Cammack-Gibson in December, is steadily growing, and they are ready to organize an L. T. L., and she is going on the 7th of February to so organize and give her lecture on "Five Boys in Knee Pants."

**Deer Creek** observed their anniversary February 10, and Mrs. Cammack-Gibson gave a reading from Miss Willard's "How I Learned to Ride the Bicycle." She gave this, with comments, at the Grant County executive committee meeting with County Superintendents present and it was so acceptable she was asked to repeat it.

**Dr. Bronardel**, dean of Paris Medical Faculty, says there is high authority that most of tuberculosis is due to alcohol.

By request of the National Superintendent of Non-Alcoholics, Mrs. Martha M. Allen, I have just mailed to every Superintendent of this department whose name and address I have, a copy of her circular letter. She requests that this circular letter be read in your Union at its next meeting. Where no name has been given as Superintendent of this department, I have sent it to one of the officers of the Union. I enclosed to each Union a quarterly blank, to be filled out by the Union if there is no Superintendent. Will you please note premium offer in February MESSAGE, and I am sure you will return the blank well filled out by March 25. Blanks were not received in time for me to send them out last quarter, so please make this report cover six months instead of three. I also enclosed to you a copy of "The Doctor's Day Off." You will find this quite entertaining, and I hope each Union will give it. A door fee will provide funds for carrying on the work. Try it and report success. We owe it to ourselves, we owe it to our communities, to be informed on this subject, and then push the work. Dr. Chambers, physician to the Prince of Wales, says that "with the common wine treatment in typhoid fever the deaths are one in five; without wine, one in forty."

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

**The Huntington Union** has made arrangements to have Mrs. Maria Weed, of Chicago, with them for three days to help crystallize public opinion on the anti-polygamy measure to come before Congress.

**A week's temperance revival**, with Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley as the drawing card, will shake the citizenship of Huntington in February. Andrews, College Park Union and, perhaps, Roanoke also will engage her.

**A temperance revival** at Farmington, Wash. Col. Holt, the national W. C. T. U. lecturer and organizer, has been conducting a series of lectures with great success, having received over 200 signers of the pledge and organized the W. C. T. U. with nearly 50 members. One saloon keeper has left for parts unknown and the new mayor has ordered the other saloon keeper to close his place. The saloon element hung Col. Holt in effigy a few nights ago and placed a card upon same, warning him to leave town under penalty of death, but Col. Holt wasn't bluffed.

**Benton County** held their annual convention September 23 and 24 at Otterbein. Miss Ruth Palmer rendered valuable service by the delivery of a fine address to a large audience the first night. The second night was given to a gold medal contest; proceeds, \$15.06. Following were the officers for the year: Mrs. Amanda Smith, County President; Mrs. Mattie Kiger, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Sadie Lewis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Violet Shettle, Treasurer; Mrs. Phoebe Kolb, Superintendent of Evangelistic Work, Oxford; Mrs. Geo. Jennings, Purity, Templeton; Mrs. Anna Eberly, Non-Alcoholic Medication, Boswell; Mrs. Sadie Lewis, S. T. L., Oxford; Mrs. Bettie Smith, Contest, Boswell; Mrs. Lon. Alexander, Systematic Giving, Talbot; Mrs. Bugbee, Mothers' Meetings, Lochiel; Mattie Kiger, Christian Citizenship, Oxford; Mrs. Wachtol, Otterbein; Mrs. C. Madox, Sabbath Observance, Otterbein; Mrs. Florence Smith, Parliamentary, Otterbein; Mrs. V. L. Anderson, Franchise, Oxford; Mrs. McKinney, Anti-Narcotics, Otterbein; Mrs. Geo. Jennings, L. T. L., Templeton; Mrs. A. Pelham, Flower Mission, Oxford.

**Side by Side for Fifty Years.**—Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Kern celebrated their golden wedding Tuesday, January 20. Many relatives, neighbors and friends called at their beautiful home in South Kokomo during the day and evening to congratulate them upon the attainment of the fiftieth year of happy domesticity and to leave with this venerable and widely esteemed couple some token in remembrance of their golden wedding anniversary. Mrs. Kern has been a member of the Kokomo Woman's Christian Temperance Union ever since its organization. She was at one time President of the County W. C. T. U., and is now President of the South Kokomo W. C. T. U. The North Kokomo W. C. T. U., through its President, Mrs. Ida Mix, presented to Mrs. Kern a beautiful framed picture of Miss Frances Willard, and the South Kokomo W. C. T. U. presented her with a golden brooch.

**Bloomington** has a Superintendent of Literature, Mrs. Amelia Gilmore, who has served for eighteen years, sowing the temperance gospel in Monroe County. One woman's efforts mean much, especially when working systematically along definite lines.

**The Indianapolis** Frances E. Willard Union held a memorial service in memory of Frances Willard at the home of Mrs. Dr. Williams, February 10. The meeting was opened by singing her favorite hymn, "Kindly Lead Us." Mrs. Medermeil read a paper on the earliest part of her life, followed by a paper by Mrs. Loftin. Program consisted of music and recitations. Refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

**The Mary Hadley** Y. W. C. T. U., of Terre Haute, was organized on Easter Sunday, 1902, by Miss Mary Hadley at Trinity M. E. church, Terre Haute, Ind. The society began work with 9 members, but they were all determined to make it a success. The growth of this Y has been slow, but we have sought the guidance of God in all we have done and he has blessed us in many ways. We have held one gold medal and one silver medal contest and both were very successful. We have held several gospel temperance meetings in and out of the city, and at present we hold a meeting on the last Saturday evening of each month at the Light House Mission. Our meetings are well attended and we believe we are doing some good. Our literature department is distributing a great deal of literature over the city, and at present they are visiting the barber shops and leaving some good temperance literature in each shop.

Our membership is growing slowly but surely; we now have twenty-five members and hope to double the number very soon, as a great many young people are becoming interested and expressing a desire to become members. Our Y has taken a stand against raising money by giving paid entertainments or socials and all our contests and meetings are free to every one, and we depend on free-will offerings for our expenses, and you would be surprised to know how well this plan works and how much more good we can do. We, as a Y, do not believe in raising money to carry on God's work in any way except by free-will offerings. All our departments are working as far as possible and we promise to let you know more of our work in the future.

**Burlington** W. C. T. U. meeting is held the first Thursday in each month at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. With Mrs. Alice Haneon as President, the Union is

in a flourishing condition. We sent a New Year's box to Hadley Home, which contained many useful articles. No doubt it was greatly appreciated by our girls. The Lord bless the Home and every Union throughout the length and breadth of the land.

**Mrs. Maria Weed**, of Chicago, spent three days in Huntington the first of February and gave some interesting talks on Mormonism and Polygamy. Those who heard her were much pleased with her, and as a result the W. C. T. U. has obtained a vote on the seating of Elder Smoot and the proposed anti-polygamy amendment from every church in the place.

**The Deer Creek Union** celebrated its 12th anniversary at West Branch last Tuesday. Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart has been President since its organization and has presided over every meeting with the exception of one. The reunion was well attended and a fine program, consisting of speeches, solos, question box and recitations, was given. Rev. Harvey Ratliff gave the forenoon address, speaking on the subject of "Prohibition Twenty-five Years Ago." His address was very interesting and was discussed by Mrs. Robert Wilson, of Fairmount. Next on program was the opening of the well filled baskets, the contents of which were enjoyed very much. At the afternoon session the West Branch school attended in a body and sang two songs. They, with many others, were addressed by the State President, Mrs. Eunice Wilson, of Fairmount, giving a very interesting talk of her trip to the national convention. We were then favored with an address from our County and also Local President, Mrs. Gulie E. Shugart, which was very beneficial. There were several short speeches by Rev. Harvey Ratliff, Robert Wilson, Bennett Shugart, Rev. Couch, of Roseburg, and others. We also added one new member, Mrs. Hill Thompson. The entire program was a complete success.

**Gas City Leads.**—The Gas City Union had twelve members in 1901. In 1902 they gained eighteen, and now have thirty-one. Besides subscribing for the *Union Signal* ten weeks for all the members who were not taking it, they added to the club the ministers, doctors, editor, superintendent and principals of the schools, the mayor and councilmen and some others. We know of no better literature to distribute than the *Signal*. We held a mothers' meeting on the 10th at the home of one of the members. Twenty-five ladies were present. A good number joined in the discussion, "The Bible in the Home."

**The Hartford City Union** held a Frances E. Willard memorial service on the evening of the heavenly birthday of our promoted comrade. An interesting and pleasing program was rendered, consisting of music, recitations and songs by the children, short addresses and an excellent paper by Mrs. B. R. Waite. On the walls for decoration were the pictures of Miss Willard, which the Union has planned to present to the Hartford City public schools. The girls met every one at the door, and for a souvenir a little bow of white ribbon was pinned on. It was quite an inspiration to see an entire audience with the white ribbon on. We have been having a friendly contest for members. Last evening was the time for its close, and in the near future the finish of the plan will be carried out. The section that secured the most members with dues paid will furnish a parlor literary entertainment, and the defeated section the refreshments. As a result of the contest and a little hustle on the part of three or four women (for one woman secured seven members and one other twelve), we have an increase of membership of twenty-two.

**LaPorte Union**, at its last regular meeting, was made, by the reading of a letter from Miss Hobart, to rejoice over the welfare of its wards, who have been so kindly cared for at the Hadley Home for several years, and who have now been placed in Christian homes. As one sister expressed herself, "I knew that some of the many prayers offered for those dear girls would be answered." I, the writer of this item, will say, "Dear sisters of the W. C. T. U., let us not weary in well doing." The Union also observed the heavenly birthday of Frances E. Willard, February 17, and carried out the program, as given in the MESSAGE, as near as it could. It also raised the two dollars for the memorial fund for state and national work.

**Memorial services** on Miss Willard's heavenly birthday were held by four Terre Haute Unions—the Mount Rose, Mary Hadley Y, West Side and Frances Willard Y. Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, our beloved National President, and Miss Anna Gordon, National Vice-President-at-Large, will be at Terre Haute in March.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

**MARY I. STEVENSON**—The Logansport Central Union has lost in Mrs. Mary I. Stevenson a true, tried and tested co-worker and the temperance cause a fearless, faithful, valiant, steadfast friend.

Mrs. Stevenson was called into the higher life the 7th of February, 1903, after a life of active Christian and temperance work, being one of the Crusaders that brought the temperance cause into such prominence and advanced it so much in public estimation. She was the first President of our Local Union, and continued through her life active in all works of righteousness.

A noble, conscientious mother, a kind and loving friend, and one who discharged all duties fearlessly and well, she has been called away from all sorrow and trouble into everlasting love and life eternal.

**MRS. CHRISTENIA MONTGOMERY**—Our beloved sister and former President, Mrs. Christenia Montgomery, fell asleep September 1, at her home in Edwardsport, Ind. We deeply feel the loss of her wise counsel and aid in our work for the Master. She was a charter member of our Union, which was organized in 1891. It can well be said: "She hath done what she could."

**WALTER B. GEIST**, the husband of our sister, Libbie Geist, and an honorary member of the LaPorte W. C. T. U., was laid to rest February 12th. God giveth his beloved sleep.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## CALL.

The Executive Committee of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet in the city of Franklin, April 16 and 17, commencing at 2 o'clock P. M.  
EUNICE P. WILSON.

**The World's W. C. T. U. Convention** will be held at Geneva, Switzerland, June 9-11. Indiana is entitled to five delegates. Will any Indiana White Ribboners in good standing, who anticipate taking this delightful trip and attending the great convention, please send their names immediately to the State President, that the delegation may be filled at the Mid-year Executive, which meets at Franklin, April 16 and 17.

## INDIANA PRIZE WINNER.

The editors of the *Union Signal* offered three prizes for the best answers to ten questions in regard to the most pleasing and helpful features of the *Signal*. Of course Indiana carried off the first prize, which was \$5.00. The winner was our "old reliable" in DuBois County, Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Jasper, Ind.

**Maine Legislature kills Resubmission** of prohibitory amendment by a vote of two to one—Liquor interest relegated to oblivion.

**The brewers played** a sharp game when they caused the Lühring bill to be introduced in the Indiana legislature and were loud in their announcements of enough votes to carry, etc. This was a fine game. They did not expect it to pass, but to arouse our temperance people to action to save the remonstrance with power of attorney feature of the Nicholson law. We all worked. The churches worked everywhere. While thus busily at work on it, no aggressive amendments or temperance bills would be introduced. This fact was laughingly and exultantly admitted by one of the prominent men of the liquor league.

**War of extermination** continues against the Tennessee liquor traffic. Nine towns during the past week voted out the saloon by overwhelming majorities and with a vehemence that leaves no doubt as to the Tennessee mind. There were demonstrations rivaling presidential campaigns. The floodtide of prohibition is destined to sweep the entire State.

**The statistical abstract** of the United States, just published by the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury Department, shows a remarkable increase in the consumption of intoxicating liquors during the past fiscal year. There was a great increase in the per capita consumption of malt liquors and in the per capita consumption of wines. The total consumption of intoxicating liquors in the United States has now reached almost twenty gallons per capita! This means an average of about twenty gallons per annum for every man, woman and child in the United States.

## LIQUOR SELLING IN OUR NATIONAL CAPITOL BUILDING PROHIBITED.

During the closing hours of the fifty-seventh congress, which has just adjourned, the immigration bill was passed, with two prohibitory amendments which our temperance people have been advocating for years—the amendment forbidding the sale of liquor in immigrant stations, and the Landis amendment forbidding the sale of liquor in the capitol building. Much importance is attached to the passage of these prohibitory measures. They are two decisive steps towards divorcing the national government from its complicity with the liquor business.

Indiana temperance people delight to pay tribute to Hon. Chas F. Landis, one of our representatives in congress, through whose personal influence and work, liquor selling in our capitol building is prohibited. Mr. Landis led the forces against the seating of the Mormon Roberts. He made one of the ablest speeches ever heard in congress in defense of our American homes.

## OF INTEREST TO LOCAL UNIONS

The Treasurer has on hand a number of large cards on which is printed the anti-tobacco law. These are on sale at 25 cents by the dozen. Please order. There are a few Willard stick pins at 10 cents each. Please order. Also a number of copies of the State song, words only, and the song named "A Call to Service." Membership cards are 25 cents a hundred. Please order of  
ALICE RUTH PALMER.

"Whatever the weather may be," says he,  
"Whatever the weather may be,  
It's the songs ye sing, an' the smiles ye wear,  
That's a-makin' the sun shine everywhere."  
—James Whitcomb Riley.

**Do not fail** to hold at least one contest on the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication. Suitable recitations can be found in this issue.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Miss Sears visited the Goshen "Y's," going February 24 and returning March 3, reorganizing the Goshen "Y's" into a "Somerset Y." We trust they will now be able to double their membership.

We hope every Y Union in the State will observe Mrs. Frances J. Barnes' birthday. Have a public meeting, song, recitations and a sketch of Miss Kara Smart's life, who is now our Y missionary in Japan. Take up a free will offering for the work, so we will be able to help do our part. Send this money to Miss Clara M. Sears and then it will all be forwarded to the custodian. If you want plans and help in regard to the meeting, write the Y secretary.

We hope every local treasurer has done her duty in trying to collect the dues and forward them promptly to the County Treasurer. And now only six months left for aggressive work. What will you do, dear Y, to push our cause and gather new forces for our beloved temperance work?

New Y organized at Oxford. Miss Bertha Howarth, Y Secretary; President, Miss Fannie Birt; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Edna Stambel; Recording Secretary, Vera Anderson; Treasurer, Miss Gladys Jarbough. Let us pray for them that God will bless the efforts put forth in His name and bring victory to those who engage in the work.

It was the pleasure of the Y Secretary to visit the Otterbein Y while in Benton County. An afternoon meeting was held by the W's in the home of Mrs. Florence Smith, quite a large number attending, also two ministers. The saloon problem was discussed, the women showing that they were willing to help.

Friday evening the Y's met at the home of Mr. Arthur McKims, where Miss Sears gave a talk on the popular evils of the day and departments of work most helpful to our cause. Elegant refreshments were served and the evening passed away all too quick. We trust the Y's will be more prompt in sending in their reports after this.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## OUR NATIONAL GUESTS.

Indiana is visited by our National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens and Vice-President, Miss Anna A. Gordon. Great mass meetings are being held in their honor in the prominent cities of the State. Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Indiana's capable and energetic Secretary, arranged for their coming and accompanies them. Everywhere cordial and most enthusiastic welcome has been extended by the temperance people. The audiences have been large and representative.

Our queenly president has received an ovation wherever she has been. Her stateliness and splendid dignity have won the admiration of thousands of our Indiana people. As a speaker she is forcible and reliable. Her clear cut statements are always convincing. "Sweetness and strength, steadfastness and pliability are beautifully blended" in Lillian M. N. Stevens.



MRS. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
President National W. C. T. U.

Miss Anna A. Gordon, our sweet-spirited Vice-President, has rare gifts of soul and mind. For years she was Miss Willard's private secretary and loved companion, accompanying her in her tour of the United States when she visited every city of 10,000 inhabitants and over, speaking for and organizing W. C. T. Unions. Many times also she accompanied Miss Willard in her tours abroad. She is our World's Secretary of the Loyal Temperance Legion. Miss Gordon is the author of the "Marching Songs" used so extensively in our L. T. L.'s all over the English-speaking world. She wrote "The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard" and numerous booklets and poems. Miss Gordon is the children's friend. She is the best loved of all White Ribboners by the boys and girls. Everywhere her coming is hailed with delight. Miss Gordon has a youthful appearance

and carriage, and always dresses becomingly. When speaking to an audience she wears a gown of dainty color and texture and appears girlish. Her appearance and her charming personality is wonderfully attractive.

The coming into our State of these blessed women has stirred our hearts. We are anxious for more de-



MISS ANNA A. GORDON,  
National Vice-President W. C. T. U.

termined, aggressive warfare. It is a long and terrible war. Our soldiers are falling, many more must fall before it is won, but won it will be. The time depends upon the faith, courage and effort of each soldier. One by one the victories come. God help us to march on, fighting, until exultantly we hear the shout of victory over the closing of the last saloon in our land. Then may we all be able to join as victorious fighters in that glad hosanna!

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

We have been expecting good results from our Institute work this spring. The youngest Union in Grant County entertained the convention, gained new members and helped a drinking man to find Christ. If each county could do as well, more than 700 new members would be added to our ranks. Our faithful Corresponding Secretary writes me "nearly every available field worker is in the field, besides the foreign talent we are using. Reports from the workers are encouraging. We will make a good gain in Indiana this year, if the local Unions will be careful to hold our present membership and try to gain more." I believe, dear hearts, the time has come that we should put forth our best efforts all along the lines. I feel sure the past years of seed sowing will reward us with a good harvest if we are faithful, but, dear ones, is not our cause worthy of our best?

The liquor dealers are not asleep. They are wide awake to their own interests—enticing our boys, using every method known to the trade, to create appetite in the unsuspecting and at the same time holding those already caught in their net.

A good mother said to me: "I am not uneasy about my son," and yet I knew the son worked in an office next door to a saloon, is employed by a man who rents the rooms to a saloon keeper. I know other mothers who are church members, but cannot be persuaded to join the W. C. T. U. and help to put temptation out of the children's way, yet some of the sons of those mothers have already started down the broad way, mother and son asleep to his danger and must be awakened. Have you and I time to try again? Let us feel that no sacrifice is too great; that we may have opportunity to speak out our protest against the worst enemy of our homes and country. While our lawmakers have not done all they should have done, we have gained some victories the past winter along reform lines in our State and Nation. Let everyone take courage; with God for our leader, we shall be more than a match for our enemy.

EUNICE P. WILSON.



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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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July 4 comes on Saturday this year. Plan now for your annual temperance picnic. Secure grounds, speakers and musicians very soon. This is the month to make all the arrangements. Do not delay. Offer prizes for the best orations on a given subject. Work hard for success. At Eaton, under the leadership of Mrs. Lydia Carmichael, and in Union County, under the leadership of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, great work has been accomplished through the picnics. The famous temperance speakers of America have been on their programs. How did they do it? Write and ask them.

A person who has strength of character has an influence. A discreet, sweet-spirited Christian woman, who is informed as to the extent, plans and purposes of the organized liquor forces has great influence in her home, her neighborhood and in her church.

Does your Union hold interesting and instructive meetings? If not, you cannot hope to receive the support of thinking people. The time is past of the W. C. T. U. meetings being held without an educational program. The W. C. T. U. membership must be informed upon the great departments of our organization and upon the extent and power of the liquor dealers' organization and its relation to our civic, State and National government. In order that the liquor traffic be overthrown, the individual effort of every Christian woman is in demand. To be of service to her home, her church and her country, in this awful conflict, she must have intelligent enthusiasm. How can she secure this? By reading the *Union Signal*, the *New Voice* and the *Patriot Phalanx*. "But," she says, "we take so many newspapers now that I just cannot read them." Yes, she does. Look at the matter squarely, please. Every Christian woman believes that the saloon ought to "go." When this belief deepens into conviction, then she will seek information and according to the amount of her information will she be interested and wield an influence.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

I regret that this, my first letter, comes to you so late in the year, but sickness prevented an earlier communication. Last year's report for this department was especially satisfactory, and your hearty co-operation enabled us to take the prize offered by the National Superintendent.

Love for God will be our central thought this year, and our special effort will be to induce others to join with us in obeying the commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

In their mad rush for pleasure seeking and money getting, men are unconsciously losing one of the greatest privileges of this civilized country, that of a guaranteed right to one day's rest in every seven.

If it were not for the knowledge of serving God we could do no greater service for man than to keep for him this privileged day. Doing for others makes us forgetful of self and our hearts tender and loving toward the Father.

The Sabbath Observance Department is a pleasure, therefore, as well as a service. It is not our province to compel others to be good, but to help the thoughtless to do better and to assist those who are denied this God given day for rest and worship.

Organization strengthens the weak and develops the talents of those who are strong. "In union there is strength" is an old but true saying, since one has a genius for organization, another for leadership, another for service, etc. When combined, these forces make a mighty host. Many a general in the army, who has led a gallant charge upon the enemy

because he was supported by the regiment, might have been utterly helpless had he been left to the task alone. Our talents complement each other, so that, working together, we can do much better than it would be possible for each to do alone.

As a special work this year, an effort will be made to counteract the effect of Sunday excursions, which are now so popular everywhere. On one Sunday, last summer, excursion trains leaving South Bend took 1,500 persons to Indianapolis, 400 to Chicago and 500 to St. Joseph, Mich., while about 500 more were unable to go for lack of car service. On the same day, of five leading churches visited, two were found closed and the other three had less than 600 worshippers. Is it any wonder that a leading railroad president (who, by the way, is a church member and a professing Christian), became indignant and refused to heed the request of Sabbath Observance workers who desired of him not to have his road run Sunday excursions? Public sentiment must be educated up to the point of non-patronage before the roads will heed our requests.

In the north of Ireland there is a society of 27,000 members all pledged not to travel on Sunday unless under compulsion. If Indiana had such an organization what a mighty work we could do. Literature, showing the evil effects upon the individual, the punishment for disobedience to God, and the reward for faithful observance, should be freely distributed. Short sighted railroad officials, eager to declare large dividends, forget that men who are compelled to labor without taking the natural one day's rest in seven (and God's law is only the natural law), become incompetent because of broken down constitutions and shattered nerves, and cause so many of the great disasters which result in the loss of life and property. The gain by Sunday traffic is thus frequently offset by loss in damages. Merchants, too, who welcome the ingress of people by Sunday excursions, fail to realize that the egress is correspondingly great, with the result of always a moral loss to the community and no financial gain to any one. At the same time, the earning power of the excursionist is lessened because of the lack of the necessary Sunday rest. We should impress upon the public mind the truth that a God loving and a God serving people are a prosperous and a happy people.

The other special work that we would urge for this year is Sabbath Observance pledge signing in the Sunday Schools. Since we have been Superintendent of the Department upwards of 2,400 persons have signed the Sabbath Observance pledge, including the clause "not to travel on Sunday." We urge the importance of this work. Enlisting the children of to-day will insure us the men and women of the future.

Always keep the State Sabbath laws before the public, for the State law should go hand in hand with the Divine law, and should educate the people upward instead of downward. Everybody believes in Sabbath observance, but still it is necessary to have a State law against Sabbath desecration.

In every great educational work literature has an important part. My final word, therefore, is, distribute much literature.

Our lecturer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, is doing excellent work. Write her for terms and dates. Her address is Liberty, R. R. 1. She needs no introduction to Indiana people. KATIE WERT HOLLER.

## PROGRAM FOR MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 16.

- Devotions, conducted by Mrs. Ada B. Leck, President Marion County.
- 2:00. Greeting by State President, Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson.
- 2:15. Reading of the minutes.
- 2:30. Treasurer's report.
- 2:45. Corresponding Secretary's report.
- 3:00. The Hadley Industrial School.
- Miscellaneous business.
- 4:00. Adjournment.

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 17.

- Devotions conducted by Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson.
- Miscellaneous business.
- 12:00. Adjournment.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

- Devotions conducted by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.
- 2:00. The Mission of the MESSAGE, by Mrs. Luella McWhirter.
- 2:15. What are We Doing for the Young People? by Miss Clara Sears.
- 2:30. The Onward March of the L. T. L., by Mrs. Ida Mix.
- 3:00. Address on County Methods, by Mrs. Frances Beauchamp.
- 3:30. How to Promote State and National Legislation, by Mrs. Hattie Brand.
- 3:45. Open Parliament, led by Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall.
- 4:00. Adjournment.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

Address by Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, National Associate Recording Secretary.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Medal contest.

## REPORT OF FLOWER MISSION SUPERINTENDENT, 1902.

Received reports from 50 Superintendents; received reports from 6 County Superintendents. Number of bouquets with Scripture texts distributed, 12,297; number text cards with white ribbon, 6,416; number of baskets of food to needy, 1,384; number of garments to needy, 5,282; number of delicacies for sick, 2,337; number of sick taken riding, 893; number of visits to sick, 12,771; number of scrap books for children, 350; number of rocking chairs and hammocks loaned, 30; number hours spent reading to sick, 511; number hours spent caring for the sick, 5,072; number converted through department, 50; number signing pledge through department, 141; Bibles given out, 76; plants given out, 332; flowers for funerals, 117; pages of literature, 187,826; money given, \$686.20; meals given, 337; books given, 121; \$2.50 for postage; \$3.50 for literature. MABEL R. JEFFRIES, Superintendent.

## NOTES FROM THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT.

It is an established fact that the physicians who do not use alcohol seldom lose a case of typhoid fever. Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, has made a fine record in the treatment of this disease.

The prescribing of alcoholics by physicians can be described by no weaker word than laziness. It does not cure, but acts as an anesthetic.—*Elmer Kee-ler, M. D.*

Every Union should own a copy of "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine." You will find it an invaluable aid in your work. Extracts or chapters should be read from it at your meetings. Write to your State Superintendent for a copy. It only costs \$1.25 and you would not be without it for twice that amount.

Try the suggestive programs in this issue and report success. The report of a meeting is an encouragement to those that read it. Every meeting is worth reporting.

Have you a Superintendent of this department in your Union? If not, will you please appoint one at your first meeting and report name and address to me at once, that I may send her supplies?

Appoint one of your strongest and best members as Superintendent; one who is interested in this special department.

Have you asked your physician not to give you medicines that contain alcohol? If all temperance people would refuse medicine containing alcohol, physicians would soon cease to prescribe it.

Read these questions carefully and see what line you can best work. If you do not receive a blank, write me at once and one will be sent. If any work has been done during the past quarter, send me a letter or postal card by first mail. I want to report it in the next issue of the MESSAGE and in the *Phalanx*.

Begin the study of the question of non-alcoholic medication and of the use of wines and brandy in the kitchen and you will quickly see the importance of this work.

If you have a Superintendent, either in county or local Union, who for any reason cannot or does not work this Department, kindly suggest a change and select one who can work. When you have made a special study of this work you will see the importance of it and more fully realize what the giving of alcohol in medicines is doing for our homes.

Can an honorary member serve as a Superintendent? Most assuredly, yes. A physician who does not use alcoholic medicines will make a fine Superintendent.

A taking entertainment at the California State Convention was, "The Doctor's Day Off." Try it.

## IN THE INSTITUTE.

To date, four counties in the eastern half of Section 2, Delaware, Boone, Grant and Wells, have held their spring Institutes. These sessions have been held through fog, rain and mud, and yet the representation from local unions has been good, the programs well carried out, and the results along many important lines better than has formerly been an average. The discussion of general and vital topics has been able and enthusiastic by local citizens and others, and a better insight into helpful and correct methods of work is shown by our members.

In these four Institutes a total of 123 souls have been added to our ranks. Eighty-six of these are pledged Legioners whose parents approve their membership, and form the newly organized L. T. L. of Eaton, which, best of all, has an able and willing leader in the person of an ex-county president.

Fifty-one subscriptions to our periodicals have been taken. The *Union Signal* leads in these, followed by the *Young Crusader*, *American Mother* and *Contest Journal*. All of these are annual subscriptions excepting those for the *American Mother*, which are for six months.

Some pathetic and heart-rending incidents have come before these meetings, but as reports of them have been arranged for, details need not here be given.

There was not a single day of continuous sunshine during the foregoing Institute sessions, but white ribbons know how to glean in the shadows and they have gone forth rejoicing, bearing sheaves with them.

MARY HADLEY HALL.



## PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

In the February issue of the MESSAGE the State Superintendent offered to conduct a six months' course of one lesson per month, by correspondence, each member to pay 10 cents to partly defray expense of card of Parliamentary Rules and postage. In a very short time forty names were enrolled. The result is gratifying to the Superintendent and proves the inestimable value of the MESSAGE as a means of communication and for the promotion of our work.

## ANTI-NARCOTICS.

If for any reason you fail to get your report blanks, please notify me at once, giving your full name and address. I have the names of about twenty-five County Superintendents, but doubtless there are more. If you are working in the anti-tobacco pledge signing campaign, please do not fail to send the coupons to me. Much is being done over the State, but the fate of the bill before the Legislature proved that we are not bringing the force to bear against this evil that we should. Let us work for victory.

MRS. ELIZABETH SMITH.

1907 Highland Place, Indianapolis.

## JAIL AND PRISON.

Being appointed State Superintendent of Jail and Prison work, I will endeavor to do the best I can, with God's help and your prayers. I feel the great responsibility resting on me as a leader, knowing the fountain never rises higher than the head. I would especially urge the signing of pledges, as I have seen through this agency, some very bright conversions. I desire to be in touch with the workers in every county in the State and have written and sent blanks to the following: Blackford, Steuben, Huntington, Martin, Marion, Hamilton, Marshall, Vanderburg, Tippecanoe, Miami, Grant, Clinton, Wells, Hancock, Wayne, Delaware, St. Joseph, Morgan, Whitley, Vigo, DeKalb and Washington. Would like to hear from County or Local Superintendent on Jail and Prison work, County or Local President from the following counties: Adams, Allen, Bartholomew, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Clarke, Clay, Daviess, Dearborn, Decatur, DuBois, Elkhart, Floyd, Fountain, Franklin, Fulton, Gibson, Greene, Hendricks, Henry, Jefferson, Jay, Jennings, Johnson, Knox, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Lawrence, Lake, LaPorte, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Newton, Noble, Parke, Pike, Porter, Posey, Pulaski, Putnam, Randolph, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, Spencer, Tipton, Union, Vermillion, White and Wabash. Kindly address me and I will send you blanks.

MRS. ELLEN DAVIS,  
State Superintendent.

333 N. Pine St., Indianapolis.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

I want to appeal to you again through the MESSAGE for an awakened interest and renewed diligence along our lines of work, of which all must confess there are none of more importance. That nation builds upon a sure foundation whose children are trained in righteousness and purity. Remember, sisters, there are so many homes, even in this Christian land, that know not Jesus, and it must be our duty, as well as our high privilege, to carry to those homes the gospel of love and truth and purity. I get many letters saying "I have been appointed Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings and write to you for information how to begin and how to conduct a Mothers' Meeting." I am always glad to respond to any appeal for help, to the best of my ability, in any way. First, we must have the Holy Spirit to help us to help others, and we must have some literature. Send special invitations to young mothers; ask them to assist with the program by reading a leaflet, or a selection from the *American Mother*, or some good book; you make the selection. Have your program well arranged; begin on time; the Bible your text book, the Holy Spirit your guide; make your meetings so spiritual, so interesting, that it will create a demand for others. Mothers who look into the faces of their sweet little innocent babes and then out into the broad world of sin, and knowing that it is only a short time, so short, until the dear little ones will be out from the home nest, and in a measure from mother's protection, it seems would be anxious to fortify these children against the oncoming tide of sin and impurity.

Our watchwords, "Agitate, Educate and Organize." Since we know that every day some mother's boy, some mother's girl, is being debauched and ruined by lust and liquor, it is absolutely necessary that we push this agitation, education and then that you organize a W. R. C. R. Sisters, I believe that now there is no more effectual way of arousing the motherhood of this nation than with the influence that will go out through the Mothers' Meetings and with the W. R. C. R. So many of the reports when returned to me with the question, "Have you organized a W. R. C. R.?" say, "No." Sisters it is my ambition to have a White Ribbon Cradle Roll in every Union. Will you help me? You have timber to work on everywhere. Every community has the dear little babies.

Six months of our year is past. What will we do in the next six months? I pray that they will be full of good works. I have sent the blanks to every County Superintendent and she will send to local Superintendents. Will not every local Superintendent be prompt to report to County Superintendent and she formulate her report and send it to me? Every com-

munity ought to have a circulating library of books that will be helpful to mothers. The money you get through the White Ribbon Cradle Roll will help to start the library. May the dear Lord help us all to do our very best to bring the truth of the Gospel home to the hearts of the motherhood of this nation.

MRS. S. M. STAHL,

Hartford City. State Superintendent Mothers' Meetings.

## FAIRS AND OPEN AIR MEETINGS.

Looking back over the work of last year, I find much to commend, and looking forward, much to hope for in the future. I wish to express my appreciation of the faithful workers in nine counties who all report greater interest in the work of this department and many friends gained for the cause at fairs and open air meetings. New members, active and honorary, have been gained and I regret that a record was not kept and all the pledge cards returned to me, so that the members gained might have been counted in the contest for the national banner of this department. Three cash prizes of \$5.00 each, in gold, is offered by our National Superintendent, Hannah T. Guild. Begin work now by supplying workers with department cards. Send me a quarterly report, as increased membership will be the key note of this department this year, and will be an important factor in the contest for the prizes offered. Appoint your committees at once, so they will be prepared to wait on fair directors. Now is the time to secure a place on the program of the meetings to be held in the open air; then engage your speakers for the dates given you. Organizations are rapidly multiplying in numbers. Each one has its annual reunion, when thousands assemble. At such times your opportunity comes to interest the masses of the people in our work. Responsibility follows opportunity, and if you fail to send the MESSAGE to these people, you lose the chance to sound a note of warning to a class you can reach in no other way. Organizers, lecturers and evangelists say this is the only department where they are sure of a large audience and where men are in the majority. It is high time we put forth special effort to enlist greater numbers of men in our work, for we need their influence and votes in legislative bodies, in the church, in state and local circles. Rally your forces and win the cash prize offered for the greatest number of honorary members gained this year. Put forth special effort to have laws passed prohibiting the sale of intoxicants on fair grounds and in parks. Spend more money for permanent buildings where "rest rooms," "day nurseries," "check stands," and where a "cozy corner" can be fitted up for an "emergency hospital." You can make such accommodations a source of revenue by charging the small sum of 10 cents per hour, for a cot, or for the care of a child. Look carefully after the illegal sale of liquor, gambling devices and the sale or distribution of impure literature. Interest the L. T. L.'s and pledged Sunday School children, Anti-Cigarette Leagues, Bands of Mercy and School Savings Banks. Children can march and sing Mrs. Oberholzer's Marching Songs; when possible, have a juvenile band; keep the banner of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union aloft; it should float from the daintiest and most attractive building at fairs and expositions and at other great assemblies. When clouds appear and your way seems hedged about, remember the passage in the first chapter of Joshua: "Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord, thy God, is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Make this the best year as a seed sowing time. Let no opportunity pass to carry the message to the masses of people. I appeal to every County President to urge the work of this department. Why should we delay? A year hence the presidential campaign will be on and we cannot gain the ear of the people then as now. So I entreat you to begin work at once. If new superintendents have been appointed, do not fail to notify me. Enlist more workers; appoint superintendents—county and local; then supply them with plan of work, etc. It means hard work to carry out successfully this line of work, but it pays. I wish to impress on you that we want members. You can secure ten pledge signers with greater ease than one new member. Keep a record of new members and report to me. In this way your work will count in the contest for prizes. Write to me for cards, suggestions and plan of work.

MRS. A. B. LECK,

1801 N. Capitol ave., Indianapolis. State Superintendent.

## ORGANIZATION.

As I begin this statement of the condition of the department of organization, I am wondering which good thing to tell you first. Every plan has been responded to with such a spirit of enthusiasm and determination to do great things that the reading of my mail is a delight, because each delivery brings some good thing.

Early in December the National Secretary wrote asking if Indiana would take part in the anti-polygamy campaign, and could we take the national speaker on this subject, Mrs. Maria Weed, for two weeks. The work was arranged, and almost immediately after the nomination of Reed Smoot as Senator from Utah, Mrs. Weed began her series of meetings in Indiana. She was with us three weeks, speaking six days in the week, and was most acceptable, both as a cultured woman and a talented speaker.

As I write this letter I am just about to start out with our National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, and Vice-President, Miss Anna Gordon, who are to spend two weeks with us. They will visit eight or ten leading cities. Oh, how busily and enthusiastically our women are planning for their coming! Every detail is being carefully arranged, and as the letters have come, explaining plans and asking for suggestions, I have been reminded of Mrs. Weed's compliment when she said, upon leaving us, that she had found the best executive ability in Indiana, in both state and locals, of any place she had visited.

Mrs. Lillian Phelps, who is considered one of the best temperance speakers in Canada, has just completed a tour in the northeast part of the State. She has talent and enthusiasm. Letters of appreciation and requests that we bring her back for a longer stay are evidences of her acceptability. She is successful in securing members and large collections.

The National Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, has been engaged to speak at our Mid-Year Executive, which meets at Franklin, April 16 and 17. She will also lecture at Bloomington and Bedford. Both of these places are carrying on a vigorous fight against saloons and intemperance. Mrs. Beauchamp will probably fill several other dates, but arrangements are not completed at this time. She is so well known to Indiana white ribboners that comments upon her marked ability on the platform and in detail work are scarcely necessary.

Miss Marie Brehm, President of Illinois, who led her women on to the greatest victory in membership in the nation last year, will give two weeks to Indiana in June. By securing a date through me, the expense

to local unions will be less than otherwise. Many requests have come for her services, and this will be our only opportunity this year. If you desire her, write to me immediately, as the route is now in process of construction.

Our beloved ex-President and editor of the MESSAGE, Mrs. Luella McWhirter, has promised us a week's work in April, and we are begging for more time later on. Her tour will probably be on the east side of the State.

Nearly every available State field worker is afield. Mrs. Mary Hall, Miss Alice Palmer, Mrs. Rose Pearce and Miss Clara Sears are busy with the Institute work. Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, Mrs. M. A. Tompkins and Mother Trish have spent much time in revival meetings. This has been largely through the churches, but they have in each case presented the temperance cause. Mother Trish has secured many signers to the pledge.

Our Recording Secretary, whose consecration and ability as preacher and lecturer is so well known throughout Indiana, has made no extensive tours because of ill health. She is much improved now, and will give all the time possible to the field this spring. Write to me for dates.

Our Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, has been in the field almost constantly during the winter, and there are more calls for her than can be met because of conflicting dates. She has conducted some very successful temperance revivals, and her lectures and recitations always give satisfaction. She recites, "At the Mercy of the State," and "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" with telling effect for our blessed cause.

I could tell more and more, but there are others who would like a little space in the MESSAGE, so I forbear. Dear hearts, rejoice and pray and work and victory will come.

HATTIE BRAND,  
Chairman of Organization.

## HADLEY SCHOOL.

The terror of contagious diseases can hardly be realized until one has witnessed its work among a number of children. The days and nights of anxious solicitude for more than two months, through which those in charge of the school passed, cannot be told in words. Scarlet fever, closely followed by mumps, were the diseases which most affected us, and the board of health pressed us until twelve were vaccinated. Some one or two stricken almost every day until all, who were not immune, either had the fever or were convalescing from it. Some were sent to their homes to escape the contagion and a few have gone to friends while convalescing, so that the present number in the school is only twenty-three. All are now able to be up, and most are attending day school in the chapel. Now, the heavy siege of cleansing the dwelling of all disease germs must be pushed. All housekeepers will know something of the great labor to accomplish this, and the corps of workers in the home are few in number. Mrs. George Randolph and husband, with her mother, Mrs. Shipps, are now in charge. They are full of zeal to make this school a success, but must be ably supported by all the friends, or they cannot do it. The seed time is near at hand. If any can send in seed, it will be highly appreciated.

Now let us all help a little by sending money to our treasurer, that workmen may be secured to calamine the walls and extra help for cleaning floors and bedding may be had. We thank you for the many boxes of clothing sent. We are, for the present, abundantly supplied with wraps. Rugs and carpets would be more than acceptable.

L. HOBART.

## WHY THEY DO NOT GET THEIR MESSAGE.

1. We have among our large constituency the names of Amelia Graham, Lizzie Baker and Lettie Ogden, but only an inadequate postoffice address. They are not getting the MESSAGE, though the papers go out from the Indianapolis office. Can anybody tell the State Treasurer definitely where these women live? There are several more such cases.

2. The treasurers making out the lists, in a few cases, have misspelled the names. Please be sure to get the correct name and address of your subscribers written plainly enough for the State Treasurer to find it impossible to copy them incorrectly.

3. Please remember that the State Treasurer does not mail the paper. It is sent out by machinery from one of the oldest and best printing offices in Indianapolis. She would be delighted to replace all copies that are mislaid in delivery, but she does not have personal supervision of mailing the papers. Rather try to trace and secure the number that is lost.

In a decision handed down recently, Judge Fruit, of the Wisconsin Circuit Court, decided that shaving on Sunday was not a necessity, if it was done in a public shop.

Marion Central held a memorial service on March 3. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson and Rev. Frazier were the speakers. Mrs. Lucy Lenfestey White read a fine selection from "Glimpses of Fifty Years," and Miss Waltz gave a recitation from "Lucile," which were very appropriate for the service. Ice cream was served and a fine collection taken. Marion Central and the West Side Union held a joint gold medal contest in the First Friends' church, March 4. Mrs. Rena Smith, of the Central class, won the medal and a young lady of West Side class (name forgotten) also won.



## FIELD NOTES.

**Fowlerton** has an L. T. L. of 125 members.

**Grant County** has fourteen good working W. C. T. U.'s, and a growing Y. at Jonesboro.

**Miss Ina Coggeshall** organized a strong L. T. L. in Swayzee, which is showing great promise.

**Mrs. Emeline Hill**, of the "Quaint and Ancient" class of Jonesboro, won the medal on March 8. She is past 60.

**Upland Union** will furnish a carpet for one room at the Hadley Home and is distributing non-alcoholic medication literature.

**Mrs. Cammack-Gibson** organized a Y. in Jonesboro the 26th of December, with Miss Rena Day as President, Miss Lola Bradford Secretary and Miss Alta Day Treasurer.

**Mrs. Culla Vayhinger**, President of Dearborn County, has organized a Union of fifteen members at Aurora. Mrs. H. D. McMullen was made President. We wish the new Union unbounded success.

**Boone County** has just closed an interesting Institute session fruitful of good results. Much of this is due to the energy and tact of the County President, Mrs. Hendricks. Mrs. Mary H. Hall was the leader.

**Peru Union** sent ten subscriptions to the *Union Signal*. Among them was one for our fine new Y. M. C. A. building that will soon be completed, and one for our new library, which Mr. Carnegie helped us build and which will soon be completed.

**Fairmount Union** observed Willard Memorial Day with a very interesting meeting. The State President was present and made a short address. The \$3 asked for in the Plan of Work for Hadley Home was ordered sent immediately and more will follow.

A hint for young people's societies. The Y. P. C. E. Society, of the Congregational Church, Hammond, recently sent a letter to the W. C. T. U. expressive of their appreciation and sympathy and offering their services to the Union in any form in which the two societies might co-operate in temperance work.

After March 1, Mrs. Lida Outland's address will be Upland, Grant County, Indiana. Mrs. Outland is the Howard County W. C. T. U. President. While her new residence takes her out of Howard County, by the earnest request of the members she has consented to remain President of this county until the end of the present year.

**Mrs. Alice O. McDaniel**, President of Vigo County, has organized a Union in Terre Haute with fifteen members, called the Loyal; and a colored Y. through the influence of the Mary Hadley Y. In Terre Haute Mrs. Elizabeth Curry has a fine L. T. L. at Maple Avenue Church, which has given a fine cold water concert.

**The Nappanee Union**, Elkhart County, held a very enjoyable parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. J. L. Ernest, First Vice-President. County President Mrs. H. P. Daub gave a very interesting account of her trip to Portland, Me., and the doings of the National Convention. There was a good attendance considering the inclemency of the day.

**Franklin Union** is anticipating with enthusiasm the privilege of entertaining the Mid-year Executive meeting. They hope for a visit from Mrs. Stanley this month. Miss Palmer speaks in the Presbyterian Church April 5, Sunday, in behalf of the State Union. The co-operation of pastor and people seems to be with them and their plans for helpfulness are widespread.

Some time during the last two weeks of March, Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, National President of the W. C. T. U., and Miss Anna Gordon, World's Secretary of L. T. L. Work, will be in Kokomo. It is the intention to make their stay one of great benefit to the two organizations they represent, and the opportunity to hear two such famous women will doubtless be made the most of by the people of Kokomo and Howard County.

At the home of Mrs. Collins, on North Illinois street, the Indianapolis Frances Willard Union held a Martha Washington tea and a matrons' oratorical contest. Four matrons participated. Mrs. Wardella was awarded the medal. Refreshments were served by the committee, who were dressed in dainty caps and white aprons. The flowers for the occasion were presented by one of our members, Miss Mina Alley, and were appreciated.

**Miss Martha Gilmore**, Corresponding Secretary of the W. C. T. U. of Indian Territory, is spending several weeks in Indianapolis. Temperance work in the Territory is on the upgrade. They are planning for better organization and have adopted Indiana's plan of dollar dues covering subscription to the State paper, *The Helper*. Miss Gilmore is editor of the paper and is a bright woman, with time and talent consecrated to the temperance cause.

**Fairfield Union** held a mothers' meeting at the home of their pastor, Sarah M. Woodard, early in February. They had as their guest Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, who gave a very instructive talk, answering many questions of the new Superintendent of Departments. She also lectured in the evening. The March meeting is to be held at the home of Melissa Kellum. Written invitations have been sent to the husbands of the members and an interesting program has been arranged for the occasion.

**Frances Willard Union**, of Fort Wayne, will place a memorial window in the new M. E. Church. The design is to be the world encircled by the white ribbon, on which is the motto, "For God, and Home, and Every Land," and underneath the name, "Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. of Fort Wayne."

Our dear Mother Trish is at present disabled, having had a fall which sprained her back. Mother Trish has been in revival service, speaking every night for five consecutive weeks. Sixty-five conversions. She is a consecrated worker and never fails to press the temperance cause, and has secured a large number of signatures to the total abstinence pledge.

**Hendricks County** presented a framed picture of Miss Willard to the Reform School at Plainfield. The chaplain wrote as follows: "The boys gave a unanimous vote of thanks to the ladies who presented the picture of Frances E. Willard, and desired me to express their thanks to the donors. The picture hangs on the wall of the chapel. Personally I am glad to have it, and I believe the good it will do the boys cannot be measured by the mere intrinsic worth."

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** held a series of services for the Bluffton Union which resulted in a great revival. Over twenty new members secured. The weather was severe, but Bluffton's blessed corps of workers cannot be daunted by storms. Under the leadership of Mrs. Mary McBride, and her helpers, our work there continually gained momentum. Our cause advances and all Wells County feels the influence of the consistent, discreet aggressiveness of Bluffton White Ribboners.

**State Minutes**—A large number of State Minutes are still in the hands of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand 1403 Ashland avenue. These ought to be in the hands of county and local officers and members. They are sold at 10 cents per copy, you to pay express, or 15 cents per copy by mail. This is less than they cost the State and it is a financial loss, as well as a loss to the work, to have them unsold. How many in your Union are supplied? Please send orders at once.

HATTIE W. BRAND.

**Northeast Indianapolis Union** held an anti-cigarette contest, March 9, at Howard Place Church. Three young men and two young ladies took part in the contest, which was pronounced fine. Miss Artie Henderson won the medal. Miss Hunt, of Amboy, sang a solo and helped in a duet which was highly appreciated. Miss Edna Young gave two solos, playing her accompaniment on a guitar. After the judges' report a number of boys, girls and grown up people signed the anti-tobacco pledge. About \$4.50 was taken in at the door.

**Peru**—Frances E. Willard memorial meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. O. Ward. Meeting was opened by President Mrs. Grace Oswald with Miss Willard's favorite Scripture texts, the singing of her favorite hymns. Recitations by Paul Jordon, Gertrude Cain and Marjorie Miller. Prayer by Mrs. Cloud. Mrs. Carrie Campbell Pike favored the ladies with two beautiful solos. Mrs. Ward gave a brief statement of memorial day and thank offering fund. Mrs. G. C. Miller spoke of the life of Miss Willard, closing with the Lord's Prayer. The memorial day and thank offering fund was \$3.55.

At Lake County Institute, held March 9 and 10, all the local Unions were represented. Reports show good, genuine work being done by all. Hammond, especially, is increasing in members and in the attendance and interest taken in her regular and public meetings. The Local and County Unions are well officered. In her opening address Mrs. Mudge, County President, asked a very pertinent question that might well be answered by all who ever think the society is not accomplishing anything: "Have you ever stopped to think what would-to-day be the status of the temperance question if there never had been a Woman's Christian Temperance Union?"

**Membership Envelopes**—Many gains in membership are reported which do not materialize when the Treasurer's report is received. No woman is a member with the right to vote and hold office in either the local, county or State organization until she has met the requirement of signing the total abstinence pledge and paying \$1.00 annual dues. The envelopes have the pledge printed on the outside and the promise to pay the dues. Let us use them and so far as possible collect dues when the names are given. These are excellent for use in public meetings, as the money can be placed in the envelope and sealed up and the name and address written on the outside. Order of Mrs. Brand. Price, 15 cents per hundred.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** spent a week with the Huntington Union the latter part of February. Despite a severe cold snap, she was greeted by large audiences and made many very warm friends. Twenty two names were added to the membership, nine of which were honorary. The subscription pledge cards brought \$13 50, and with cash collections, nearly \$50 were taken in. One afternoon was given over to the L. T. L., and fourteen new members were taken into this organization. Huntington is hustling. From Huntington Mrs. Stanley went to Andrews in the same county and gave two addresses. A party from Huntington attended these meetings and the entire party was entertained at supper by the Andrews Union. Several new members were added and much interest aroused in the work.

**Bremen**—Those who were unable to breast the storm do not know what a treat they missed in the Frances E. Willard memorial service at the Congregational Church. Three ministers—Messrs. Braeckly, Oyler and Davidson—took part in the service. Mr. Oyler delivered the principal address, which was an eulogy upon the life and services of the greatest worker for temperance the world has ever known. Several of Miss Willard's favorite hymns were well rendered by the Congregational choir.

**Salem Union** held a Willard memorial meeting at the home of Edna Pearle Menaugh. A special program had been arranged and invitations extended by our President, Mrs. Emma Faulkner, and the hostess, to all the ministers of the city and their wives, with a few other especial guests. The ministers each gave a five minutes' talk upon Frances Willard's noble life, and each talk was characterized for its excellent thought and beautiful comparisons. The members of the Union responded to roll call with a quotation from Frances Willard's noble expressions. "Some Glad Day" was sung. The closing hymn was her favorite song, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The Union will soon place Miss Willard's picture in the auditorium of the public school. The Union sent two dollars to the memorial fund. A social hour followed. The meeting was most helpful and interesting.

**Mapleton W. C. T. U.** held its anniversary meeting, February 20, at the home of Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, its honored and loved President. Rev. Albert J. Brown, pastor of the Indianapolis Friends' Church and an honorary member, spoke forcefully and effectively on Alcohol and the Lord's Prayer. Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, in his accustomed interesting manner, spoke on Frances Willard and George Washington on the Liquor Question. Hon. Charles L. Newlin, with enthusiasm, spoke on Alcoholic Medicines as shown by Sanatorium Patients. There were present more than one hundred people, who eagerly listened to these able and convincing speakers with an unusual interest. New members were secured. During the social hour refreshments were served by the genial hostess, whose influence along temperance lines is being felt more and more among her neighbors and church affiliates.

**Richmond**—Frances Willard Union held a matron's contest recently, which was a success, very encouraging for the first. A good crowd was present. The program was as follows: "The Saw Mill," by Eliza Mendenhall. "A Prisoner of Intemperance," by Elizabeth Mayhew. Singing—"Some Glad Day." "A Plea for the Children," by Marietta M. Overman. "Poor House Nan," by Mrs. Dr. Hopkins. Vocal solo—"Mother's Bow of Ribbon White." "Young America's War Cry," by Rachel Hodgins. The medal was won by Eliza Mendenhall. On the 15th of March we had our beloved National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, Miss Anna A. Gordon and our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, with us. It was a day long to be remembered. I am sure we all felt enthused and more determined to fight on as we heard words that sank deep into our hearts and felt the grasping of the hands of our noble workers. A mass meeting for children was held in the afternoon, addressed by Miss Anna Gordon, and a meeting at the First M. E. Church, addressed by the National President. Mrs. Brand made a plea for new members.

**Grant County Institute**, held at Fowlerton, was a decided success. Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall was leader. The attendance was good, interest intense, and the result a deepened determination to fight the battle to a successful ending. Fowlerton is a new town, with a population of twelve hundred, two churches and nine saloons. There was a surprised look on many faces when between forty and fifty White Ribbon women stepped from the train the first morning of the Institute. Near the church where the meeting was held a bottle factory was located, employing a great number of men and boys. They sang religious songs while the women passed the factory, showing the influence of the Institute. During one of the sessions a dissipated looking man came into the church, walked straight to the leader's desk and laid down a piece of money, desiring to become a member. Mrs. Hall at once pinned the white ribbon on him, and in a frank, intelligent way he told how he had come to that town two weeks before, a sober man and a consistent church member. But the open temptation on every hand aroused the appetite from which he thought he was saved and he yielded and had been drinking ever since. He came to ask help. Business was suspended, and for nearly an hour every heart was enlisted to help the pursued and fleeing man. It was beautiful to see our State President and Mrs. Hall kneeling beside this unfortunate brother, helping him to put his hand in his Father's and try again. He went away with a lighter heart and renewed strength. Mrs. Hall sent a staunch prohibitionist to escort him past the danger points, for there were several saloon men waiting for him. The Fowlerton Union was strengthened by nine new members.

## IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. RUPLE, of South Bend, is gone. Only those who have drunk of the bitter cup can know the keenness of the sorrow experienced by Brother Ruple in giving up his life companion. He and family have the tenderest sympathy of the Frances Willard W. C. T. U., of which she was a charter member. While we miss her from our circle, we believe her work on earth was done, and the Father above granted her release from pain and care and an admittance to that home of the soul prepared for the blest.



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## PARLOR MEETING.

A house is built of bricks, and stones, of sills, and posts, and piers;  
But a home is built of loving deeds, that stand a thousand years.

A house, though but a humble cot, within its walls may hold  
A home of priceless beauty, rich in love's eternal gold.

The men of earth build houses, halls and chambers, roof and domes,  
But the women of the earth—God knows the women build the homes.

Ever could not stray from Paradise, for oh! no matter where  
Her gracious presence lit the way, lo, Paradise was there.

## MISS MARIE BREHM IN JUNE.

Miss Marie Brehm will make a tour of Indiana, beginning June 14 and closing on the 28th. Her route will be through the north and east sections.

Sir Wilfred Lawson, the great English prohibitionist, has been returned to parliament. Thus returned to parliament one of the best known temperance advocates in the world.

## COMING IN MAY.

Miss Carrie Lee Carter, one of our national workers, who is remarkably successful, will spend the latter part of May in Indiana. Her route will probably be through the southern part of the State.

## ALARMED OVER THE ACTIVITY OF THE W. C. T. U.

The following quotation, copied from an article which appeared March 16 in the *Knights of Fidelity News*, a national liquor paper published in Indianapolis, will be of interest to Indiana workers: "The National President of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. L. M. Stevens, and Vice-President, Miss Anna Gordon, will tour Indiana this week, and be in Kokomo March 23. Greentown, Connersville and Shelbyville, and many other places, will be visited by these agitators. They have the national treasury at their command, and they will be a most formidable enemy. Again we say, there is but one salvation for the liquor interests of Indiana—organize under the banner of the Knights of Fidelity and raise a defense fund. The enemy is organized and has an almost unlimited defense fund. Flood Indiana with good wholesome literature, and expose these fanatics. Show by facts and figures that they are frauds. The columns of the *Knights of Fidelity News* are open. Flood Indiana with them. Organize, educate, fight."

## INTERNATIONAL ANTI-ALCOHOL CONGRESS—ADDRESS BY MRS. HUNT.

The United States delegate to the Ninth International Anti-Alcohol Congress, now being held in Bremen, Germany, is Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, of Boston, Mass. Mrs. Hunt, addressing the congress on the significance of scientific temperance instruction in the public schools as a preventive of alcoholism, said:

"The thralldom of alcoholism can be overthrown only by making the masses intelligent in regard to the true nature of alcohol and its consequent effects upon the human system. This requires, first, thorough scientific investigation of the alcohol problem, and, second, the widest diffusion of truths thus learned.

"The people of the United States, believing that such diffusion could best be effected through public school instruction, secured, between 1882 and 1902, the passage of State and National laws by which the study of physiology and hygiene, including special instruction as to the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics, became mandatory for all pupils in all schools of the republic.

"Temperance physiology has thus been very generally taught for ten or fifteen years, and it is significant that during this time the rate of increase in the per capita consumption of alcoholic liquors has diminished materially; also that there has been a gain of four and one-tenth years in the average length of life. Thorough investigation in New York, the most populous State, shows that the study is restraining children from forming alcohol and other narcotic habits and influencing their parents against alcohol and tobacco."

The teachings that have secured these gratifying results are, first, the nature of alcohol and its effects upon the human economy; and second, the physiological reasons for obeying all laws of health, since unhygienic habits often cause a craving for narcotics.

Careful grading shows that the subject can be adequately covered by a minimum of three oral lessons per week for ten weeks in each primary year, and four text-book lessons per week for ten weeks in each of the five grammar years and the first year of the high school. Thus with 330 lessons a progressive development is attained without crowding other branches during years in which the formation of habit is especially active. The text-books used by pupils of all grades above the primary are supervised by a committee of physicians and educators. At the headquarters of the Department of Scientific Temperance

Instruction, in Boston, are kept on file records of all scientific investigation of the question, free of access to authors and others interested.

Objection is sometimes made to scientific temperance instruction on the ground that by injuring the brewing traffic it will decrease the national revenue. Figures show, however, that every dollar of tax on fermented and distilled liquor paid into the national treasury costs thirty dollars in the cost of consequent crime and poverty. The same is doubtless true in other countries.

This congress is to pass no resolutions, but there is nothing to prevent any individual from personally resolving to use his utmost influence to secure for all the children of his own country the blessings of a scientific temperance education.



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Dean Farrar, compatriot of Caire and with him for forty years in the first rank of British prohibitionists, has died, aged 72 years. He was known the world over for his championship of two national reforms—the abolition of the drink evil and of the slave trade. The national position on these questions he could not tolerate, and to his influence is indebted in a large degree the trend of English destiny on these two great questions. Dean Farrar's voice was heard on every temperance platform in Great Britain. He declared "You might as well talk of protecting the vested interests of a cancer as protecting the existing conditions of a system which licenses houses of which most are seething hells of vice, immorality and crime."

## Y. W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

I am still expecting reports of your meetings so I will have something new for our Y. column in the MESSAGE.

How many observed Mrs. Frances J. Barnes' birthday, April 14, and took the free will offerings for the World's Y. work? Please report to me as soon as possible.

Miss Arletta Holston, 1404 Third Avenue, Terre Haute, is the new Vigo County Y. Secretary, and trust she may prove a power in that county and help plan for organization in the county.

Anderson Y.'s are planning for a public meeting April 27. Musical and literary program representing the World's Y. work. Mrs. R. W. McMahan will deliver an address on "The Relation of the Physical Life to the Morals."

Again I urge the girls to double our membership this year. We can do it, when we say we will. Now let us will to do it.

The third quarter's blanks will be sent you the first of June. Let the Treasurer begin to plan and collect dues.

Read the *Union Signal*; get a copy of the State Minutes and study them; pray and work for the overthrow of the liquor traffic in this State.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT.

DEAR WHITE RIBBON COMRADES OF INDIANA—Miss Gordon and I were very glad that we could accept the invitation of your State Corresponding Secretary to come to Indiana.

The local Unions co-operating with Mrs. Brand's plan, made excellent arrangements for the meetings. We regret that we could not visit a larger number of Unions, but during the two weeks and three Sundays we reached different sections of the State and were thus enabled to learn much of the W. C. T. U. situation in Indiana. In no State have we found more wide-awake, well informed co-workers, and we judge that the W. C. T. U. in Indiana has, in a large degree, the respect of the people and the co-operation of the churches, for the people came out in large numbers and the clergymen were most friendly and helpful. We were pleased that everywhere we found such a lively sentiment in favor of prohibition. It is encouraging that the liquor organ, known as the *Fidelity News*, took note of our tour in Indiana. This paper referred to us as a most formidable enemy, intimating that we had joined hands with the Anti-Saloon League and were to make great havoc with the liquor interests of Indiana. The W. C. T. U. has not "joined hands" with any organization, but our hearts are joined to all who are working to overthrow and outlaw the liquor traffic. We bid God-speed to the prohibition party, the Anti-Saloon League, to any organization working for the promotion of our two fundamental principles—total abstinence and prohibition. The W. C. T. U. does not need to adopt plans or methods of any other reform or temperance society, because we have such well defined, clear cut plans and methods of our own.

We think all temperance people should be glad that the saloon is moved a mile away from the Soldiers' Home at Marion, Ind., although our gladness is nothing like as rejoiceful as it would be were the saloon moved altogether out of the State, out of the nation. We are glad that the Supreme Court upheld as constitutional the Indiana remonstrance law, although we should be far more exceeding glad for a law which would go farther and mean more, but we believe the best use possible of these bits of prohibition (which the liquor fraternity does not like) will prove as stepping stones to that for which we work and pray, State and National prohibition.

I most heartily recommend White Ribboners to read the National Leaflet No. 92, published by the W. T. P. A., written by Mrs. Katherine Lente Stevenson on "The Relation of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union to Other Organizations."

It was a highly prized privilege to have with us at our meetings so many of the rank and file, the local members, the important part of our great army, and also to meet many who have been and are officially connected with our organization. Mrs. Haughton and Mrs. Cammack-Gibson, National Evangelists, graced our platform; Mrs. Wilson, State President, arranged a delightful public meeting for us near her home; Mrs. McWhirter and her company of beautiful young people brought cheer to our souls. I would like to record the names of all our hospitable hosts and hostesses, all who contributed to make our tour in Indiana so pleasant and successful. Mrs. Brand deserves great praise for the painstaking way in which she attended to all of the details and her able participation in the meetings. We shall be greatly disappointed and shall feel that "all signs have failed" if Indiana does not come up to the National Convention next fall with a gain of five hundred and more new members.

We shall ever gratefully remember this visit to Indiana, and hope to meet hundreds of Indiana White Ribboners at Cincinnati, which is but next door to the Hoosier State. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS.

A tidal wave against the saloon is rolling over Tennessee, where county after county is voting for prohibition under the local option law. Other Southern States are coming under prohibitory law very rapidly. Kentucky, in more than two-thirds of her counties, has prohibition. Among the recent surprises is the activity of the Ohio people in voting saloons out of their towns.

The Topeka Herald says: "The cities of the State gave more satisfactory evidence of their belief in prohibition at the recent elections than ever before. In some quarters there has been considerable talk lately about the people being dissatisfied with prohibition, but there is mighty little comfort for the brewer and his gang in the evidence given by Kansas on that point during the past three months. \* \* \* Considered as a whole, the result of the elections is a splendid tribute to the sanity of prohibition and is a hearty recognition of its merits by the people. The antis, who would like to see things otherwise in Kansas, are welcome to such cold comfort as they may get out of these elections."



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## FLOWER MISSION DAY, JUNE 9.

Every Union should observe this day by a visit to some institution or by special program and collection for use of the department.

This is the month to engage speakers for July 4, and to arrange for a grand rally on that day. To advertise the rally now, means to preempt the ground and to win the day for temperance. Be earnest and active. A few hours' work in definite planning now, will bring victories for our cause on July 4, which, if delayed for a while, may cost much anxiety and result in failure.

Public meetings, either in the churches or homes of the community, are an absolute necessity to the best interests of the W. C. T. U. At these meetings the gentlemen and the young people become interested because they get information concerning our great organization. Refreshments should always be served at an evening meeting held at the homes. By special invitation the boys and girls will serve for the Union, and wonderfully well they will do their part, too, if the older women will not do too much telling and helping. It is a mistake for a Union to meet at the same place and same time one year after another. An occasional meeting in a home of an evening, with a good, short program after the business, will interest many persons who come as a courtesy to the hostess. Public meetings always help if an agreeable and interesting speaker is on the program.

## OUR CAUSE MARCHES ON

Where the *Union Signal*, our National organ, is read by the ministers, school teachers and intelligent women of the community. It is absolutely necessary for the best interests of the W. C. T. U. that our officers and superintendents read the news of our work in the United States and in the other countries of the world. All should be regular subscribers to the *Union Signal*.

"Numbers count" is an oft repeated quotation, but, dear sisters, intelligence counts. One discreet White Ribboner, with definite information on the phases of the W. C. T. U. work, is of more force in a community than several who have only a limited knowledge of the effect of the saloon business in their immediate vicinity.

Urge the members to subscribe for the *Union Signal*. The time has come that thoroughly informed temperance workers are in demand as never before.

No Christian home can afford to be without a temperance paper. Woe unto the parents who fail to provide definite information for their households on temperance, purity and narcotics.

## EVANGELISTIC.

It was my purpose to have had a letter in the March MESSAGE for you, but being very busy in revival work at the time the letter should have reached the editor, I failed to carry out my purpose. As the report blanks did not reach me in time for the December reports, I have requested the March report to include all work done in the first and second quarters. I sent a postal card with each package of literature with careful instructions to the County Superintendent, where there were any, and where no Superintendent was known, to the County President. I sincerely hope, dear co-workers, that you will do your best to aid me in reaching every Local Union. Please do not fail to send out the blanks and insist on

their return as soon as it is possible to fill them out. I have received very few reports at this date. Have you carefully read my "Plan of Work" and Miss Greenwood's "Recommendations for 1902 and 1903?" I have been very anxious for each Union to hold a two or three days' evangelistic conference. One was planned and the date set, but had to be deferred to a later date on account of other work conflicting. If you fail to receive my question blanks, please notify me immediately and I will promptly send them to you. I feel very earnest for you, that you may not fail in doing your best to advance the interest of this most important department. Remember that you, as Superintendents, are not expected to do all the work yourselves, but to see that the work is done and to gather up the results and send them to your State Superintendent. I would be glad to visit every Union and thus come in close touch with all the workers, but this is hardly possible. My heart goes out to you in sisterly love and sympathy and I greatly desire to be helpful to you. I endeavor to answer, promptly, all requests for help and I am glad to go to you whenever you can arrange meetings in which you desire my assistance, if it is possible for me to do so. I trust that you are growing in spirituality and using helps thereto. Feel free to write to me at any time for instructions and I will do my best to help you. My heart says, "God bless each one of you and make you a blessing."

"Take courage, temperance workers,  
You shall not suffer wreck,  
While up to God the people's prayers  
Are rising from the deck.

Wait cheerily, temperance workers,  
For daylight and for land;  
The breath of God is in your sails,  
Your rudder in His hand.

Courage; your work is holy—  
God's errands never fail.  
Sweep on, through storm and darkness,  
Through thunder and through hail.

Work on! Sail on! The morning comes,  
The port you yet shall win;  
And all the bells of God shall ring  
The ship of temperance in." —Whittier.

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON.

## PRESS.

I hope to receive many more reports for the second quarter. Some have reached me which show that good work has been done in some places. There seems to be some misunderstanding about the blanks. I send the blanks to the County Superintendents, they to the Local Superintendents, who are to report to the County Superintendent and she to me. I hope that the County Superintendents to whom I sent the blanks will see to it that the Local Superintendents are supplied so that they can report what they have done. Inquiries have also come to me about the kind of articles to be used in the scrap books. Our National Superintendent of Press Work says this in regard to the articles to be used: "Anything they furnish; anything about the W. C. T. U., whether written by them or not, in their papers." The idea is to see how much space the press gives us. Urge the press work. You will get splendid results from it. Let the public know what you are doing. If you have a good meeting, write it up. Give notices of all meetings and reports as well. From our best working counties in the State I get the best press reports, and the Superintendents realize the importance of the press work. Plan a Press Meeting at an early date and don't forget, please, to keep a report of all work done, so that it can be reported. Use any and all Y. and L. T. L. items with the others. They come under the head of our work, of course, and should be used.

Converse, Ind.

LAURA CAMMACK,  
State Superintendent.

## FRANCHISE.

Just a moment of your time and attention, please. Are you interested in the enfranchisement of women? Surely you can see that with the ballot much time, money and physical tissue would be saved in settling some public questions of interest to us all. If you do not believe thus, all I will ask is that you study the subject thoroughly before passing final judgment.

But you who have already decided that it is right and must come to pass, will you help your superintendent to spread some of the tidings among our own ranks? I desire to give you a four-page supplement on the subject for August, and for this privilege I must pay. Now I am not acquainted with your workers over the State, and hence I ask you, through the pages of our MESSAGE, to make yourself known to me. If you feel the need of this work, will you kindly send to me, pledging a sum, certain? And every little counts. Some, knowing my desires, have already done so. Who will volunteer? The money should be in my hands some time in July, but I must know whether you will back me. Come, let us make this a success.

If there is any particular phase of this question you would like to hear discussed in this sheet, any question you wish answered, or any suggestion you have to make, will you drop me a line? I want this to be for your benefit and pleasure.

I have written personal letters to many of my county, and some of the local Superintendents of this department, enclosing report blanks, and literature in some cases. Will you kindly answer, so I may get in touch with you? And you who have not received word from me, will you drop me a line? I want you,

first of all, to feel a friendly interest in me. We will then try to show you what a very interesting phase of work you have chosen to work with. It is a subject which is living, bound up in the sympathetic blood of our fellow women. Can you not read the signs of the times? Will you not make ready for the issue when it reaches a climax? Now, please let me hear from you, and God bless you, dear reader. Who will be the first to answer? Sincerely,  
PEARL RALL.

## SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

Twenty-four years ago, in 1879, the National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction presented to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention a resolution which passed, committing the organization to work for the study of scientific temperance by all pupils in all public schools of this country. Three years later, in 1882, in Vermont the first scientific temperance instruction law was passed. Twenty years later, in 1902, the National Congress and every State in the United States had passed laws making temperance physiology a mandatory public school study for the 22,000,000 children over whom our flag floats. An abundant, well-graded, indorsed school literature is now in the hands of all who use text books in other subjects. Progressive courses of study and suggestive methods of teaching are ready. Thus far the Lord has led us on in perfecting the machinery for this study. Already its results are making us the most abstinent and consequently achieving of nations. The same divine aid that has been ours is pledged to help us in pressing untiringly on until ours is a nation of strong, clear-brained, total abstainers whose school houses on every hill top have expelled the saloons in the valleys.

Four points we need now especially to work for:

1. The adoption not only of indorsed books for the use of pupils who use books on other subjects, but of books which the children who are to study them can understand. In other words, the books used must be adapted to grade.
2. The introduction of the Oral Lesson Book of the New Century Series for use by primary teachers.
3. The preparation and adoption of courses of study in temperance physiology for the guidance of teachers, showing what topics should be developed in each school year, so as to have the study always progressive and adapted to the pupil's constantly increasing ability to acquire and use knowledge.
4. The regular systematic study of this subject in the lower grades, where alone we are sure of reaching all the children.

The following suggestions are gathered largely from the letters and reports of Superintendents in this department throughout the country as methods which they have found helpful. They are not intended to take the place of the regular plan of work for securing definite systematic instruction in temperance physiology in the schools as outlined in the Co-Worker's letter, but to indicate some ways by which the interest in the work in the Union, the school, the home and the community may be quickened.

## THE MID-YEAR EXECUTIVE.

The Mid-Year Executive Committee meeting was held at Franklin. Two half day sessions were devoted entirely to officers' reports and miscellaneous business. Never have our women attended more strictly to the business before the committee than at this meeting and a spirit of harmony, hopefulness and earnestness prevailed. Perhaps the most important action of the committee was the decision to adopt a more aggressive policy and to systematically plan a campaign for statutory prohibition in Indiana. The resignation of Mrs. Luella McWhirter as editor of our column in the *Phalanx* was accepted with regret. Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, of Jonesboro, was made editor of this column, with Mrs. Hattie W. Brand as assistant. All communications are to be sent to Mrs. Gibson. Miss Ina Coggeshall, of Marion, was chosen to represent Indiana in the Grand Diamond Contest to be held at the National Convention. The Treasurer's report for Hadley Industrial School showed that our indebtedness is about the same. Many helpful donations of articles and provisions have been received, but many Unions have not yet met their obligations. The Cox farm has been sold and the money will soon be placed in endowment fund. Delegates to the World's Convention were chosen. Owing to the illness and probable removal of the President of Vigo County from the State, it was decided not to hold the State Convention at Terre Haute. The date fixed for the convention is October 16 to 23. If Richmond, which had previously invited the convention, does not now desire it, the place of meeting is to be left to the Central Committee. Friday afternoon an interesting program was given, to which the public was invited and in which local talent took part. It was enjoyable and helpful. Mrs. Frances Beauchamp gave an able address Thursday night and the local women conducted a contest Friday night. The class was trained by Miss Roberts, of Indianapolis.

## STATE MINUTES.

Many counties and Unions are planning vigorous work for the next two months. You will need the State Minutes. Order of Mrs. Brand at once.



## OFFICERS.

## WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

President, Lady Henry Somerset, Eastnor Castle, Ledbury, England. Secretary, Miss Agnes Slack, Ripley, Derbyshire, England.

## NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, Portland, Maine. Vice-President-at-Large, Miss Anna Gordon, Evanston, Ill. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sussanna M. D. Fry, National Headquarters, Evanston, Ill. Recording Secretaries, Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, Lexington, Ky. Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, National Headquarters, Evanston, Ill.

## QUESTIONS FOR RESEARCH.

1. What is the object of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union?
2. Name the lines of work by which this object is to be effected.
3. When and where was the first national convention held?
4. When and where was the last national convention held?
5. What were some important and encouraging features of that convention?
6. How many and what States reported a gain of five hundred and more members last year?
7. What is meant by "Memorial Day"? Give its history and the object of its celebration.
8. What amendment to the Constitution of the United States is the National Union making an effort to secure?
9. From what source does the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union expect to derive trained recruits?
10. What are the greatest needs of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union?
11. What amount of liquor revenue was collected from Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska in 1901?
12. Give your opinion of the national government collecting liquor revenue from a prohibition State.
13. How many bushels of grain was used in the United States in the manufacture of liquor in 1901? If this were made into bread to what extent would it supply the population of the United States?
14. What, in your estimation, is the value of the department of Law and Statistics?
15. Who suggests that the words "as a beverage" be dropped from our pledge, and under what department of our work would it come?
16. Where is the Temperance Hospital, what is its name and what does it aim to teach?
17. Give five statements on prohibition from Judge C. A. Pollock's speech at Jamestown, N. Dak.
18. Give the number of counties of Texas that are "wet," "dry" or otherwise as a result of local option law.
19. What objection has arisen to the proposed scheme of uniting Indian Territory and Oklahoma into one great State?
20. What Y. held a "clipping contest," what is it and wherein is its value?
21. Who was business manager of the MESSAGE last year? Give the main points in her report.
22. How many delegates did we send to the National Convention and who were they?
23. What historical story did Mrs. Cammack-Gibson tell in the L. T. L. convention?
24. Name three county premiums that are offered for gain in membership.
25. How is the Central Committee created? Is it constitutional?
26. What advantage is gained by a uniform program in Institute work?
27. How many counties held Institutes last year and how many members gained?
28. What Union observed every red letter day last year?
29. What Union paid the most dues last year and what one gave the largest free will offering?
30. How is the Hadley School supported? Is this the best way?
31. What issue of the MESSAGE contained a supplement and for what department?
32. Of the 27,000,000 people living in the Southern States, what part are under prohibitory liquor laws?
33. What Union subscribed for the Union Signal for every member of the Union?
34. What notable victory gained by Florida W. C. T. U. this year?
35. What good results came from a free parliament in a mothers' meeting in Bedford?
36. Who composes our committee on resolutions?
37. Who wrote our welcome song for the last State convention?
38. What state has most distilleries, and what part of the internal revenue of United States does it pay?
39. What was the cost of prosecution of crime for which the liquor traffic is responsible in Grant County, as represented at State convention?
40. What change was made in the business management of the State paper for this year?
41. When did the Fifty-Seventh congress open?
42. What resolution was passed at a general officers' meeting at national headquarters, December 22, 1902?
43. What is the new departure adopted by the Union Signal in reporting State work?

44. What was the vote on the re-submission bill in N. Dakota, and what does it indicate?
45. What was the Hepburn bill, and did it pass?
46. What petition did the colored men of the Indian Territory send to congress?
47. Give a quotation from the "Drink Habit Among Women," in Union Signal of February 5.
48. How long has Woman Suffrage been in vogue in Wyoming, and what action did the legislature take February 19, 1903?
49. What is the Willard Statue bill?
50. Who is Reed Smoot, and what occurred when he presented his credentials as senator from Utah?

## OUTLINE PROGRAM OF W. C. T. U. DAYS AT ISLAND PARK CHAUTAUQUA.

## AUGUST 4.

- 9:30 A. M. Song Service.  
10:00 A. M. W. C. T. U. Departments.  
10:45 A. M. Oratorical contest.  
12:00 M. Noontide prayer.  
2:00 P. M. Opening services.  
2:30 P. M. Rev. Annie Shaw, "Woman's Ballot Essential to a True Republic."

## AUGUST 5.

- 9:30 A. M. Children's Hour.  
10:30 A. M. Miss Eva Marshall Shoutz Reading, "Who Killed Joe's Baby?"  
12:00 M. Noontide prayer.  
2:00 P. M. Opening Service.  
2:30 P. M. Hon. Oliver W. Stewart.

A fuller and more explicit program will be mailed to the workers and friends in good time.

The W. C. T. U. cottage opens July 21 and closes August 14. Terms for room in the cottage the same as former years.

MARY E. BALCH,  
Chairman Program Committee.

## WORKING FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

While we are enjoying the return of buds and birds, let us rejoice that the first month of spring was a time of temperance seed sowing in the hearts of hundreds of children in Indiana, and that the sower was our beloved Anna Gordon. During the recent tour of Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens and Miss Gordon, a children's meeting was held whenever we could reach the town early enough.

At Richmond, a children's mass meeting was held Sabbath afternoon. The large church was about half filled with children and interested grown people made a fitting back ground for the little ones. Our own Mrs. Haughton presided and after some special music, Miss Gordon was introduced and addressed the children. As I watched the faces of the audience, grown people and children seemed equally interested. The hearty response of the children to Miss Gordon's questions showed how alert they were and how quickly they grasped the idea of the evil of drinking or selling liquor. In chorus they repeated, "If you never take the first drink you'll never take the second," and promised to work for the temperance cause. Monday morning we visited Earlham College, where Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon both addressed the several hundred students at chapel service. At the High School the principal had assembled seven hundred pupils to see and to hear our beloved leaders.

The next meeting was at Muncie. Children's hour was preceded by an informal reception, but at 4 o'clock they came trooping in from school. Such a lively lot they were. So full of fun and frolic we wondered if they could keep still. But Miss Gordon has made a life study of child nature and soon had their thought and interest centered upon the things they could do for the temperance cause.

Goshen could not be reached in time for the great children's meeting which Mrs. A. P. Daub so desired to have, but many little ones came to the church early and Miss Gordon talked to them in the down stairs room while the crowd assembled above. Then the children filled the gallery at the general meeting.

The Sabbath at Marion will long be remembered. In the afternoon the M. E. Church was packed to overflowing to hear Mrs. Stevens, and just across the street, in the Christian Temple, a children's mass meeting was held. The day was beautiful and they came out like spring flowers. Brother Coggeshall drove up with a whole wagon load of these "spring beauties" whom we are trying to save from the blight of the rum curse. After introducing Miss Gordon, I had to leave and go over to the other meeting, but the sight of that large church filled with little people listening so intently to the gospel of temperance will continue to be an inspiration.

As the largest L. T. L. is at Kokomo, of course the reception was most enthusiastic. The Legions came marching in, waving their banners and flags. They occupied the choir loft and sang merrily. Mrs. Mix and Miss Hillis had the program in charge. A heavy wind storm came up suddenly just at the hour of meeting, but Miss Gordon said it seemed to blow the little ones into the church. They were deeply interested in Miss Gordon's talk, and each child carried home an envelope to be returned with name and contribution if they wish to become little workers in this great fight against wrong.

At Terre Haute there were more grown people than children out to hear Miss Gordon. The largest distilling interests in the State are at this place, and the efforts of our faithful workers there do not meet

with the encouragement they ought to receive. However, the work is growing, and some day the public will awake to the importance of this work for the children.

Evansville made the most of every moment. From the train Miss Gordon and I were taken to the High School, where 800 students were assembled in one large room to hear Miss Gordon. From the school we went immediately to Howell, a suburb, where we found a church literally packed with children. A few grown people who came had to give up their seats, and the little ones sat on the pulpit and everywhere. For weeks the school teachers had been teaching them to sing Miss Gordon's songs, and how they did sing! The L. T. L. marched in last, singing a song of welcome. The first thing we noticed was that there was an L. T. L. window in the church.

Moore's Hill was reached too late for an afternoon meeting, so the children were given the front seats at night, and Miss Gordon addressed them before Mrs. Stevens spoke. The large church was most beautifully decorated, and it was the work of the college boys and girls done in honor of our national officers. The next morning we were invited to the college to chapel service, and the first hour's lessons were set aside that the students might hear more of our all-important cause. In the afternoon Miss Gordon spoke to the children in the grade school.

The last meeting was at Bluffton. Here, as at all other points, the children received enthusiastically the message Miss Gordon had to give. At nearly every point steps were taken to organize L. T. L.'s, and as is so often the case, we found that lack of conviction in regard to leadership for L. T. L. work is the only obstacle in the way.

Aside from these direct meetings with the children, Miss Gordon always followed Mrs. Stevens in the night meetings with a plea for the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## MRS. HUNT INVITED TO BREMEN CONGRESS—HAS RECEIVED LETTERS OF CREDIT FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON.

The relation of alcoholism to national, as well as to individual well-being, is agitating Europe.

The International Anti-Alcoholic Congress, made up of representatives of the governments and universities of Europe, held its ninth biennial meeting this year, in Bremen, Germany, during Easter week.

The official invitations on behalf of this congress are issued over the signatures of the Secretary of the Home Department of the German Empire and the Mayor of Bremen, the honorary Presidents.

As a preventative of alcoholism, scientific temperance education in the public schools, although better developed and more universal in the United States than elsewhere, has in reality become a world question as its relation to abstinence and consequent national power is observed. It is to be a pronounced feature of the Bremen Congress. Hence a special request has been sent by the officers of that Congress to President Roosevelt asking that Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, of Boston, Mass., well known as the leader of the scientific temperance education movement in this country, be appointed to represent the United States at the Congress to present what has proved here the best methods for such education.

In response to this request, letters of credit have been issued to Mrs. Hunt by the Department of State at Washington, signed by Secretary Hay, and the courtesies of the Congress have been bespoken for her by Baron von Sternburg, the German Minister at Washington.

Dear Local Treasurers—If you have occasion to send me stamps for small sums, please send one cent stamps. I use more of that kind. In writing names for the MESSAGE please do not forget to write them plainly. If there are several postoffices, put the names in groups under the name of the office. It would help, to arrange both towns and names alphabetically. Remember, sixty-five cents for each woman should come to me at the end of the quarter when she pays, and this includes the cost of the MESSAGE, leaving forty cents for State, National and World's dues. Also her name and address accompanies this. ALICE RUTH PALMER.

## ANTI-POLYGAMY.

Mrs. Maria Weed, of Chicago, National speaker in the anti-polygamy campaign, who is so pleasantly remembered in Indiana, will spend the month of May in the Indian Territory. The election of Reed Smoot to the United States Senate from Utah, and the failure to get a report on a constitutional amendment forever prohibiting polygamous marriage, has in no degree lessened the determination of Christian people that this great evil shall be overcome. A partial defeat has no power to discourage those who contend for the right.

## SUPERINTENDENTS' REPORTS.

Each State Superintendent has the blanks for reporting her department work. If any county or local Superintendent has not received blanks on which to report, write at once to your State Superintendent. The dropping of the blanket reports and the return to the old established way of reporting, from local to county, and from county to State, getting blanks from the State Superintendents, has necessarily made some confusion.



### KITCHEN SHOWER FOR HADLEY HOME.

Greensburg Union, at its last evening meeting, requested the members to each bring a piece of tinware for Hadley Home as an admission fee. About fifty responded at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Crooks. A fine program had been carefully prepared. A brief outline of Hadley Home was given, some excellent music and recitations, refreshments were served, and a general social good time followed. A barrel of nice graniteware, tinware, toweling, etc., was the result. The Union combined recently with the Alliance and held memorial services for Miss Wilford and Neal Dow, and sent their contribution of \$2 to the National Memorial fund; also the same amount to the Collegiate Contest to come off at Upland May 1. An effort is now being made to secure Elizabeth Stanley for several days' revival work in May. Greensburg Union is not dead by any means.

### PROBABLE GAIN BY JUNE.

From the many favorable reports coming in, it seems probable that by time the June reports are in our Treasurer's books will show a gain in membership. Let us all work to this end not for the sake of gain in members, but for the gain in power it will bring to the cause. If each union would make a net gain of five, it would place Indiana on the honor list at the National Convention.

### INSTITUTES.

**Marshall County** Institute was held at Culver. The State Superintendent's request to hold the meetings in unorganized towns has proven a blessing to us. Through the discussion of methods new life seemed to be instilled, from which we hope for good results throughout the county. A temporary organization was effected whose members are earnest, consecrated women. Mrs. Hall's lecture on the "Gospel of Health" was listened to by a large and interested audience. A social meeting was held the second evening. The paper on Sabbath Observance by Mrs. Minnie Hale, of Bremen, was so well received that a request was made to have it published in the *Phalanx*. Be sure and read her article. You may expect to hear again from Marshall County and Culver.

**Wells County** Institute was held at the Six Mile Christian Church, Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, leader, Mrs. Dr. Goodin, of Bluffton, County President, presiding. On account of the terribly bad roads and rainy weather, the attendance was small, but a good interest was manifested. The various topics were presented in an able and interesting manner, followed by most helpful discussions. "Woman Suffrage," by Mrs. A. T. Studebaker, and "How can the Church Make an Aggressive and Successful Warfare against the Saloon," by Rev. Bolton, followed by enthusiastic discussions, participated in by Messrs. Berne, Reynolds and others. Mrs. Hall's lecture, the first evening, was appreciated and the gold medal contest, on the last evening, was a success. Miss Eleanor King won the medal on "Yacob und der American Wimmins."

**Steuben County's** Institute was held at Fremont. Local Unions of county were fairly well represented and several visitors were present from Michigan. Most of those on program were on hand to respond, the gentlemen especially being present with one exception, and as some of them came in spite of really serious hindrances, their presence was highly appreciated. We think every minister in town, with possibly one exception, was present and gave us help and encouragement. Mrs. Williner, our County President, sustained herself high in our esteem, as she has ever been. Miss Alice Ruth Palmer is too well known in the State to make mention of her work necessary, but in duty to her, we must say she was ever ready to help, advise and instruct us whenever there was need. Her earnestness is too apparent to question. The women of the Union at Fremont, under many difficulties, did their work nobly and uncompromisingly, and we trust that they may in the near future, in an awakened interest, reap the fruits of their labor.

**Lake County** recently held a splendid Institute at Hammond, under the leadership of Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer. The departments of Sabbath Observance, Prison and Jail, Franchise, Temperance Literature, L. T. L. and Press were presented and many helpful suggestions were made and encouraging features brought out. "How can the Church Make a More Aggressive and Successful Warfare against the Saloon?" was the topic for the free parliament and it was discussed in a broad and helpful manner. "Financial Questions of the Day," an illustrated talk by the leader, was very impressive, as the contrasts were shown by different colored ribbons of different lengths. The amount our nation spends for all missionary work was represented by the shortest piece; the green ribbon, which represented the amount spent for chewing gum, being several times longer; and those which represented the cost of war, of tobacco and the liquor traffic, were so long that they presented a startling object lesson. Miss Palmer gave an excellent address, the first evening, and a medal contest was held on the second one.

**The Normal Institute** of Huntington County, held at Markle, March 19 and 20, proved a success in every way. Weather, fair; attendance (both as to White Ribboners and visitors), good; finances satisfactory, and result, as anticipated, a Union of ten

members and an L. T. L. organized. Every Union in the county represented—five in all. Our sweet singer of Huntington, Mrs. Wheeler, added much to the interest of the occasion, especially at the evening meetings, when the Markle people, who turned out in great numbers, were especially pleased. The day sessions were held in the Evangelical Church, where the pastor, Rev. Greiner and his pleasant little wife, made everyone feel more than welcome. Mrs. Hall's address on the "Gospel of Health" was delivered to a large audience on the first evening, in the Christian church, and was highly appreciated, the Pastor, Rev. Long, lending his aid very cheerfully at various times during the Institute. Rev. Semens, of the M. E. Church, also gave a short talk during the free parliament. A silver medal contest with a class of seven ladies from various parts of the county was the closing feature, and Mrs. Eichorn, or Warren, captured the prize.

**The Henry County** W. C. T. U. Institute was held March 26 and 27, at Spiceland, with Mrs. Rose Pearce as leader. While not all of the Unions of the county were represented, the interest was well sustained throughout, and it was certainly one of the events that are "worth while." The program was mostly carried out as arranged by the officers and a contest was held on Thursday night in which Miss Claire Hoover won the medal. In the opening of the Institute, the President, Mrs. Emma Hedges, spoke of the great need of work in the county and especially in New Castle, the county seat. Mrs. Pearce carried out her part of the program with efficiency and the workers were well pleased with the plans as presented by her. She emphasized the idea that each member should take a pride in our organization, read along these lines and attend each meeting, feeling that it is her duty to help make the meeting a success. One of the most helpful and inspiring features of the Institute was the free parliament. How can the church make an aggressive and successful warfare against the saloon? Two or three persons who were appointed to discuss this topic were not present, but our "minute women" filled in the breaches and the time was profitably spent in the discussion. We are encouraged with the thought that the members present from the different Unions received an inspiration that will enable them to encourage the other members of their Unions to more aggressive work throughout the remainder of the year.

**The Wabash County** Institute was held in North Manchester, Mrs. Hadley Hall leader. The work was unusually interesting, and all subjects were discussed at length. Symposium: What we expect to accomplish through this institute, was helpful to all interested, and showed much thought and deep feeling. Literature: Mrs. Haupt presented this subject, and seven names were added as subscribers to *American Mother*. Singing and devotional were a great inspiration throughout the sessions. The illustrated lecture by Mrs. Hadley Hall at 7:45 was listened to by a large audience, and Mrs. Hall held the interest from start to finish. She was invited to return at some future date and give the lecture before the city schools. Mrs. Hadley Hall presented the needs of Hadley Home. Mrs. Unger spoke on "What is the work of the W. C. T. U.?" First, a preventative. Second, a reform; and last, though not least, organized mother love. Mrs. Cynthia Jones talked about Sabbath Observance. She urged more self-sacrifice for the special service of God. Evangelists' hour was led by Mrs. King, of South Wabash. Mrs. Maggie Brown, of Manchester, read a most able paper on Non-Alcoholic Medication. Mrs. Cooper, of Farmers' Union, read an interesting paper on L. T. L. work. Parliamentary drill, by Mrs. Hadley Hall, was highly instructive and much interest manifested.

Free Parliament: How can the church make a successful warfare against the legalized saloon? Discussed by Rev. Shaffer, of the U. B.; Elder Burton, of Elkhart; Rev. Rowand, of the First M. E.; Rev. Frierbarger, of the Lutheran; Rev. Snyder, of South Whitley, and Rev. Thomas, Presiding Elder of the U. B. The subject was most ably handled and points made in a masterly way.

The oratorical contest was successful. Mrs. Zoia Thomas won the medal. Eleven or twelve new members were added to our ranks, including all ministers of the city and one from South Whitley.

### FIELD NOTES.

**At the home** of Mrs. Moore, 1902 North Senate avenue, Indianapolis, March 10, the Frances E. Willard W. C. T. U. held a matrons' oratorical contest. Six matrons participated. Mrs. D. Collins was awarded the medal.

**The Marion Central** W. C. T. U. will have charge of the entire editorial management of one issue of the *News Tribune*, a daily paper of Marion. All persons desiring a copy of this W. C. T. U. issue will please send to Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro, Ind.

**The Mary Hadley** Y. W. C. T. U., of Terre Haute, is adding new members every meeting and the meetings are becoming more interesting and instructive. We are expecting to hold several gospel temperance meetings during the spring and summer and endeavor to get a large number of pledge signers. We have already begun to plan for our part of the great State convention to be held here, and you will hear of us when you attend the convention.

**Boone County** held a medal contest February 2, at Lebanon, to increase the county funds. The class consisted of two young men, seniors in high school, two young ladies, graduates of the high school and two married ladies. It was the strongest class we have ever had and the best contest with great interest manifested. The receipts were \$9.75.

**Broad Ripple Union** held its February meeting in the beautiful new home of Mrs. White, which was in an appropriate and impressive manner dedicated by the officers. Much spiritual power was manifested and all present felt it was a blessed privilege to serve God and to work for humanity. Temperance Sunday was observed and about thirty signers to the pledge were secured.

**The Greencastle Union** will observe May 5 as *Union Signal Day*. Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett, of Chicago, the Managing Editor of the *Union Signal*, will be a guest of the Union at this time. The meeting will be in the evening, after which an informal reception will be held. For the next day a W. C. T. U. pic-nic at Fern Cliffs has been planned. The Cliffs are about nine miles from Greencastle, reached by one of the most picturesque creek roads in this part of the State. It is hoped that the Cliffs will put on their most beautiful attire to greet this brilliant lady from the great, noisy, hustling city.

**Jonesboro Press** Department was profitably observed in a parlor meeting held at Mrs. Maggie Ruley's on March 26. About fifteen members were present, and several guests, among them being the County Press Superintendent, Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, who brightened our prospects by telling us of the convenience and value of the press in our work. A prepared program of papers and music, all instructive and inspiring, was followed by a short season of sociability, enhanced by sherbet and cake, delicately served. The Jonesboro Union is growing in numbers and interest, and we hope to make our influence for good felt.

**The Gas City** W. C. T. U. conducted a union temperance meeting on Easter Sunday evening at the M. E. Church. The program consisted of singing "America," devotional exercises by the Christian minister, S. D. Watts (who joined the Union at the close of the services); an anthem by the choir; reading by Miss Blanche Dill; solo, "Think of What Mother Has Said," by Mrs. Alexander; an address, "Alcohol in Medicine, from a Physician's Standpoint," by Dr. Homer J. Hall, of Franklin, Ind.; reading, "Only Sixteen," by Mrs. Welbourn. The program was well rendered, and the large audience was attentive to the end. Five dollars was received in thank offerings. Mrs. Cammack-Gibson is to deliver an address here soon.

**Bedford Union** wields an immense influence. Through their Mothers' Meetings much interest and enthusiasm has been aroused. Public sentiment has been greatly changed there during the last few years under the able leadership of Mrs. E. R. Braxton and her efficient co-laborers. This Union recently held a very successful parlor meeting, and later a silver medal contest, in the Baptist church. The plan and purpose of the contest department was explained. The contestants were Will McKinley, George Reed, Shirley Sears, Zeno Bailey, Park Denman, Ralph Voyles and Wm. Irvine. Zeno Bailey received the medal. The musical numbers were fine, the audience most appreciative and the entire entertainment a success.

**Six Mile Union**, instead of Bluffton Union, should have had the credit for the splendid revival services held by Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. The editor got her information mixed, hence the mistake. Bluffton Union has for years done such splendid work and wielded such a wonderful influence in Wells County, that it was easy to think great things had been done there. Six Mile Union celebrated its first anniversary. Mrs. Gooden, County President, Mrs. Cora McBride, Mrs. C. W. Hawker, and Mrs. Rieff went out from Bluffton to Mr. and Mrs. Markley's, where they partook of a sumptuous dinner and then attended the anniversary meeting in the afternoon. The Union has done excellent work all during the year. All of the officers and Superintendents made good full reports, showing that much time, money and ability had been given by the members to accomplish the work. Every member realizes that she has a work that no other can do, hence the splendid success of the Union. Work, Six Mile Union! Work on!!

### IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. NANCY BEBOUT**—In the death of Mrs. Nancy Bebout, March 19, the Morocco W. C. T. U. has lost one of its most earnest members, who was at all times a wise counselor. She had been identified with the work in Newton County for many years; first at Mt. Ayr, and then for about twelve years at Morocco. She will be greatly missed in the Union, in the Church, and among a large circle of friends. Suitable resolutions, passed by the Union, were read at the funeral.

**JOHN FERGUSON**—John Ferguson died at his home in Broad Ripple, of pneumonia fever. John Ferguson, husband of Sister Anna Ferguson, a very much beloved and esteemed member of our Union. Our members all sympathize deeply with our bereaved sister and her two daughters.

**MRS. MARTHA J. CONNELLY**—Mrs. Martha J. Connelly, of the Frances Willard Union, of Evansville, has been called to heaven. She was 86 years of age, a beautiful Christian character from her youth, and an earnest White Ribboner, being a pioneer W. C. T. U. worker. Members of her family will carry on the temperance work laid down by her. In death she wore a little white ribbon bow and upon her casket amid the floral tokens was seen an elegant large white ribbon bow, emblematic of the pure, unselfish, white life of our beloved sister and the cause she honored.



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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

I had hoped to meet a large number of County Presidents at our Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting at Franklin and learn more about the condition of our work in the State. I am sorry to say, in this I was very much disappointed, as so few were present. But from a very large majority of letters received from Presidents and workers, I must conclude the work is in fairly good condition over the State.

But for all that a real desire lives in my heart to visit each local Union and meet every woman who wears the white ribbon. But while this privilege remains an impossibility I must content myself with this little greeting going to each one by our faithful little visitor, the MESSAGE.

The reports from the Institute Leaders are encouraging, and I hope many of you have gained knowledge and strength of purpose by attending the Institutes, and meeting our State workers. Only those counties that have dropped out, and those that, for good reason—a poor excuse, or none at all—did not attend the meetings, will fail to receive the benefit that the State hoped to give each one by this especial endeavor.

The coming to our State of our great hearted National President and Vice-President will be to me one of the most grateful remembrances of the year, and I only regret that each one of you did not have the opportunity to see and hear them.

Our dear Mrs. Brand is leaving nothing undone that can be done to build up and strengthen our organization. Our workers are in the field, new Unions are being added, and I am looking hopefully toward the future. Our friends are expecting great things of us. So, also, are our enemies. Let us not disappoint the one or retreat before the other, for our cause is worthy of our best effort. Our country's peril calls for our united prayers, and the danger to our homes by the saloon power demands a full consecration to God of all we are or ever hope to be.

It is in my heart to urge each Superintendent to attend the Superintendents' Board Meeting at Muncie, in June. No one can afford to be absent. "In union there is strength." Tell others how you have been helped in your department and they in return will give you good plans. I have received a very kind invitation from your President to be present, and am expecting to meet with you.

I shall be looking in the MESSAGE very soon for some information from our Superintendent of Transportation about going to the National Convention, to be held in Cincinnati. Because the convention will be held so near by is a good reason for beginning to plan so early for our going. Already quite a number of our friends have been asking about it, and expecting to go. I think a much larger number of both delegates and visitors from our State will attend this convention than any in the past. Mother National may not come so near to meet us soon again, so let every one, including our honoraries, be ready when Mrs. McWhirter says it is time to go. Look for items in the MESSAGE and *Union Signal*.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

In the March issue of a medical journal an article appears under the following heading, "Why do Not the Temperance People Fight the Patent Medicine Enemy?" It says "that this is a question we would like to have any member of the W. C. T. U. or other similar organization to answer. If it is admitted that the army canteen caused drunkards, surely the patent medicine syndicates make a thousand times as many. No one is ignorant of the fact that there are many million dollars worth of these nostrums sold each year, and that multitudes of people are thus secretly and ignorantly turned into drunkards." Dr. Bumgardner (transactions of the Colorado State Medical Society, 1902), says that the following patent medicines contain the percentage given of alcohol:

Green's Nurvura 17.2, Hood's Sarsaparilla 18.8, Schenck's Sea Weed Tonic 19.5, Brown's Iron Bitters 19.7, Kaufman's Sulphur Bitters 20.5, Paine's Celery Compound 21.0, Burdock's Blood Bitters 25.2, Ayer's Sarsaparilla 26.2, Warner's Safe Tonic Bitters 35.7, Parker's Tonic 41.6, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters 44.3. Think of a crusade against beer which contains only from 2% to 5% of alcohol, while allowing a free sale of "bitters" containing ten times as much. The bitters are stronger than whisky, far stronger than sherry, port, etc., and claret and champagne are far behind. It is beyond the truth to say that alcohol causes from one-third to one-half of all the criminals, defectives, insane and dependents which the State is compelled to support. What proportion of these are the products of the patent medicine syndicates, no one can tell. It is surely large. It is only by government protection that the alcoholic nostrum traffic is carried on. This is a profitable business for the syndicates so long as the States will care for their pauperized victims. How long will it continue to do so?—*American Medicine*.

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Long, long ago, some dear heart left this beautiful message for us:

"Flowers are the alphabet of angels, whereby they write on hill and vale beautiful truths of God."

I know not the author's name, but how grand the thought. How it lifts us into a higher and better atmosphere, even into the land where the angels dwell. How fitting the deed to carry this message of love everywhere. Into lowly homes and homes of sadness, prisons and jails, orphans' homes and prison cells take "beautiful truths of God. The woods are aglow with this heavenly message. Let us not forget nor neglect those who may never see the shady groves that were "God's first temples." Those of our L. T. L. workers who live where they cannot get the wild flowers may, perhaps, manage their "green house man" like we have ours, coax him to give or sell at a low price, scrap flowers that may not be put on the market. They bring sunshine to the poor, lonely "shut in" and set one more star in the crown of those who are "not weary in well doing." Decoration Day (day of sad memories) will soon be here. Let us not forget our loved and lost, and let us not forget to go, the day before, with flowers tied with white only, for the graves of those of our very own fallen heroes, those who have helped to carry our temperance truths through the enemies' camps, and those, too, who have helped to "free the slaves," those who are bound with the saloon chain. June 9th is coming on wings of love, with roses, beautiful roses. Visit my home, all of you, and take away your arms full of them, in memory of our "angel leader," and remember to take some to everybody, who cannot get them for themselves.

KIZZIE Z. HOLLOWAY,  
State Secretary Flower Mission.

Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, the Prohibition Representative in the Illinois Legislature from the Hyde Park District, Chicago, says: "I was treated with uniform kindness and courtesy. This was especially apparent in the consideration of what was known as the Local Option Bill, when, by motion of a member, the rules of the House were suspended and I was permitted to explain my vote on that bill. I explained that while the bill was not satisfactory to me and was not one that my party would stand for, and that while the plans of the Anti-Saloon League were not identical with those of my party, yet I was willing to support any measure that proposed to move upon the liquor traffic, even to a small degree, provided it did not ask me to consent to the license of the liquor traffic on the other hand, and for that reason I voted in the affirmative. The bill passed the House by a clear majority, but was killed in committee in the Senate. The Legislature failed to respond to the appeal of the tens of thousands of good citizens of Illinois to enact the Anti-Saloon League bill, just as all party prohibitionists expected it would fail. In my judgment there will be no advance move on the liquor traffic by the Illinois Legislature until a group of prohibitionists are elected to seats in that body. The average legislator is anxious to do what he believes his constituents want him to do. He knows that his saloon constituents are opposed to any action on the saloon question. He is equally sure that the average decent citizen is indifferent on the subject. The result is that it is impossible to make members feel that there is any strong demand that they legislate against the saloon."

The Illinois Legislature adjourned May 8. Altogether it was a very remarkable session. The most striking event during the entire session was the revolt of the "97" against unconstitutional use of the gavel by the Speaker. It occurred in connection with a Chicago traction bill, and many believe marked the end of what is known as "gavel rule" in Illinois. A convict labor bill, with sweeping changes in it, was passed. A child labor law was also passed which puts Illinois well to the front in child labor legislation. The civil service bill, which many hoped to put through, failed on account of the opposition of many of the strong politicians of the State. The compulsory education act was amended in order to make it more effective.

## CINCINNATI.

The next National W. C. T. U. convention will be held in November in Cincinnati. From every county in Indiana visitors will be expected to attend the convention. Special arrangements will be made for our Indiana people to go together. At Cincinnati we expect to have Indiana headquarters. All friends of temperance are invited to attend this great convention. Low rates—wonderful opportunities! Plan now to go to Cincinnati.

LUELLA F. MCWHIRTER,  
Supt. Transportation.

## STATE SUPERINTENDENTS, LECTURERS, ORGANIZERS AND EVANGELISTS.

The dates for our fifth conference are June 19th, 20th and 21st. You remember at our fifth board meeting we decided to try a new plan, holding over Sabbath in order that we might reach more people. It is not necessary that each Superintendent should remain over Sabbath, but it is greatly desired that all who are willing to speak will do so. The Muncie Unions are enthusiastic in regard to the conference and will do all they can to make it a success. Muncie is a convenient location for most of the Superintendents, and, as President of the Board, I urge you to attend, if you can possibly do so. Let us make it the most successful conference we have ever had. Miss Brehm will be our speaker on the first night and a medal contest will be held the second night. You will be on the program. If you cannot attend, delegate some one to fill your place. As we will only have two days for our business session, please be on hand ready to begin promptly at 9 A. M., June 19. Let us pray earnestly that the Holy Spirit may be manifestly present and that our labor may result in arousing a greater interest in our holy cause and real good to ourselves. Please send your names to the committee in ample time, so that they may know how many to prepare for. The programs will be sent you as soon as they are out, which will be about the first of June. The conference is not so much for reporting our work as setting forth the aims of the various departments and exchanging ideas concerning the best way to make them more effectual in advancing the interest in our organization. Come, bringing your best thoughts and plans. We hope to have with us all the State officers.

ELIZABETH M. HAUGHTON,  
President of Board.

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE—Mrs. Amy A. Masters, Chairman, 651 Berlin street, Muncie; Mrs. Jessie Street, 1215 Monroe street, Muncie; Miss Jennie Thorpe, 1215 Monroe street, Muncie.

## NON-ALCOHOLIC MEDICATION BLANKS.

The blanks for the Department of Non-Alcoholic Medication have just been sent out to the Superintendents. Will you kindly fill them out and return to me by the 15th of this month. Dear sister, this is the Lord's work, and it requires haste. Last quarter a blank, together with other literature, was sent to every Union with a request that if no Superintendent of this department had been appointed, that one of the local officers would fill out the blank and return it to me. If a report, be it ever so small, be received from every Union, the State Superintendent's report would be a report of a magnificent work done by you, and I believe Indiana would lead in this department at the next national convention. Last year Indiana received half of the prize offered for best work done. By your kindness in sending in a full report of work done, we may rank first of all. I do not hesitate a moment in saying this is one of the most important departments of our work. Scarcely a family that does not use more or less patent medicines. Peruna, so widely advertised, contains 26.43 per cent alcohol. Vinol contains 16.77 per cent. Jamaica ginger, 90 per cent. Other patent medicines contain a similar amount. This subject is anything but a dry one. Hold a meeting in the near future and report success. Give "The Doctor's Day Off," and you will create much sentiment. Again I kindly ask you to fill out report or blank and return to me by the 15th.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

## HADLEY SCHOOL PICNIC.

Let us all lay everything aside and spend a day, June 18, with our girls at Hadley Industrial School. A silver medal contest will be given by a class of six of the girls, with short talks by many of our State workers. Bring lunch enough with you for yourself and one more, so that the girls may enjoy a real picnic dinner, after which a treat of strawberries and cream will be served free to all. Train leaves Indianapolis at 7:20 A. M. Hadley at 4:41 P. M. Round trip for 75 cents.

Bloomington held a contest and realized \$17 for Hadley School.

Vincennes gave a dinner, and raised \$25 for the school.

Indianapolis Meridian donated \$46, which was used in furnishings.

Mooreville W. C. T. U. and Missionary Society sent \$11, to be applied on new cook stove.

Grant County sends something each month from some of its Unions.

JUNE 9, FLOWER MISSION DAY.



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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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Hereafter the editor will greatly appreciate having condensed reports of the public meetings held. To send the local newspaper clippings, sometimes a half or full column in length, instead of a write-up, is hardly just to the Union, for the editor cannot re-write and condense the article as well as some one who was there.

On July 4th every Union should hold a picnic or a medal contest. We must encourage our young people to be patriotic from a sense of love and responsibility. Let no time be lost in engaging grounds, speakers, musicians, etc. There is no reason why the very best groves in Indiana should not be used for great temperance picnics.

If there are saloons in your community urge remonstrating. Get the voters to work at this. Many saloons are closed as the result of the present law. Many more can be closed. Of course it is tiresome, but it is educative, and our people must be educated to a desire for the entire overthrow of the saloon. When they really are rid of them for awhile and the tax payers count the cost of their maintenance there will be a united effort in Indiana to abolish saloons. This will be successful, just as it has in a large portion of our southern States. Texas, with 142 counties, at this writing has only 17 with open saloons. In all the others the saloon is outlawed. Consider, if you will, what this means to the young people of that great commonwealth. Yes, what it would mean to have the counties of Indiana under such prohibitory law. To have all Indiana under constitutional prohibition is what we must strive for. To this end we must educate and agitate.

## SUPERINTENDENTS. FRANCHISE.

Dear superintendents and friends, I wish to ask you, how are we going to work if no reports are sent in, nor any communication between the workers?

The politician, before election time, knows the situation so surely that bets may be quite safely made upon the probable results. That is work that counts. How can your State Superintendent know what can be done if she is left in ignorance of the situation, or, as bad, to guess at the results of a movement? A good chess player or a good general may close his eyes and see the board or the field; anticipate the moves of his opponent and meet them successfully. Why? Because of his perfect knowledge of every piece on the field.

Let me urge you that if you are doing any work, report it to the State Superintendent. If you are not doing anything, write her a friendly letter telling her your opinion of the work, the situation at your place as you see it, why you have done nothing, how many local Unions in your County, and the way the work is met. A few lines will be appreciated.

Now, will we have our franchise supplement for August? I must know whether you will support the project and how much you or your Union are willing to give toward this. Remember what an important department this is, how much the issue contains.

Frances Power Cobbe says: "I think women are bound to seek the suffrage as a very great means of doing good." This is a step toward the end. Have sent out many personal letters, but have not received replies. I must have a more definite idea of your will and your contributions. Let me hear from you at once.

Shall we have the supplement? How much will you contribute?

PEARL RALL,  
State Superintendent.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I regret that my first letter comes to you so late in the year. But delay of blanket report blanks prevented an earlier communication. I have just received my blanket report blanks, also several hundreds of pledge cards and tracts on Sunday School work. I can readily supply all needs in Sunday School work by return mail and would send them if I knew just who to send to. I want to appeal to you again through the MESSAGE for an awakened interest and renewed diligence along our line of work, of which all must confess there is none of more importance. That nation builds upon a sure foundation whose children are trained in righteousness and purity. Remember, sisters, there are many homes even in this Christian land that know not Jesus, and it must be our duty to carry to those homes through the Sunday School the gospel of love, truth and purity.

Let our watchwords be agitate, educate. Since we know that some mother's boy or girl is being ruined by lust and liquor, it is absolutely necessary that we push this agitation and education. Six months of our year has past. What will we do in the next six months? I wonder what County Superintendent is striving to win the banner this year. The State Sunday School Convention is to be held the last week in June at Winona Park, Warsaw, Ind. Try and have a strong temperance person as delegate from your county. Let us see what we can do in the way of trying to take the temperance department as the home department. Won't you help me in this way? May the dear Lord help us all to do our very best to bring the truth of the gospel home to the hearts of the Sunday School Superintendents and Officers of the State of Indiana.

CYNTHIA M. JONES,  
State Superintendent.

## HEALTH, HEREDITY AND PHYSICAL CULTURE.

I desire to create new interest in this department this year and with this object in view I have sent for more literature bearing on this subject than any year I have been your Superintendent. So all Superintendents will please send to me for literature at once and get it out before your workers. If you can best work this department in connection with mothers' meetings, do so. But whatever you do, get this work before the people. Literature will help you greatly. If you have no Superintendent, will you not hold one meeting, any way? Get health columns in the papers and health books in the libraries. Make improvements in sanitary conditions of the home, school and community. Put the work before societies and clubs. Interest physicians in the work and get them to give talks and discuss the department. Give physical culture drills. Teachers will be glad to assist in this work. Watch the health of your school children. Send for literature even if you belong to any Union, and get every Union interested in the question of health.

CLARA AGNES BOYD,  
State Superintendent.

## MERCY.

L. T. L. Superintendents who have not already done so, should appoint for the Mercy Department local Superintendents, who should endeavor, by holding medal contests, by enlisting the aid of ministers, by having kindness to the lower creation taught in the L. T. L.'s, by the circulation of proper literature (good literature can be obtained from the Humane Education Committee, No. 61 Westminster street, Room 20 (Elevator Exchange street), Providence, R. I., and from C. A. Hamlin, of Syracuse, N. Y.), and by various other means, to create a kindly sentiment toward God's dumb creatures. It is especially requested that each local Superintendent report to me the work which is being done.

College Corner, Ohio.

EARL BOWMAN,  
State Superintendent.

## MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Committee convened in the M. E. Church, Franklin, 2 p. m., Thursday, April 16. Devotions were conducted by Miss Clara Sears. Mrs. Amanda Whitson, Mrs. Sarah Lenfestey, Mrs. Dr. Mary H. Hall, Mrs. Tarlton and Mrs. Hessong were visiting members of the committee.

The Treasurer gave the standing of the office to be about the same as the corresponding quarter of last year. About \$500 had been received at the last quarter, while \$600 is needed to pay the demands. The Corresponding Secretary gave a condensed report of the work of the office.

Mrs. Weed, Mrs. Phelps, Mrs. Stephens and Miss Gordon have made successful trips through the State and many new members have been gained. Mrs. Brand also gave an encouraging report from the 5,000 pledge cards printed. Unions were eager for them.

Mrs. Hessong, Treasurer of the Hadley Industrial School, gave the following report: Unions, \$385.41; individuals, \$456.01; farm products, \$213.91; solicitors, \$123.98; total, \$1,179.31; total expenses, \$1,155.88; balance, \$23.43.

Besides the money turned into the treasury, many useful articles in the way of bedding, table linen, kitchen utensils and other useful articles were contributed.

The farm known as the Cox farm, having been held in trust for the School by Mrs. Maggie Cox, of Westfield, has been recently sold and the proceeds will be placed for an endowment fund.

Mrs. Beauchamp, President of the Kentucky W. C. T. U., was introduced and made a most excellent speech of greeting and urged the wearing of the white ribbon as a silent power for good.

Madison County reported having donated \$5.00 to the Department of Franchise.

The Corresponding Secretary was directed to write a letter to the Superintendent of Franchise recommending her to make an effort to collect sufficient funds to publish a supplement to the MESSAGE in the interest of her department.

On motion of Mrs. Stanley, the committee endorsed the following resolution:

"That we protest against the publication of all papers read before County W. C. T. U. Institutes of the State, the sentiments of which are not in harmony with the convictions of the W. C. T. U. in any Department of its work."

The time for holding the State Convention was fixed for Oct. 16-20.

Owing to sickness of Mrs. McDaniels, of Terre Haute, President of Knox County, the State relieved that place from holding the State Convention, and it was recommended that Richmond be given the preference.

The committee recommended that Miss Ina Coggeshall be chosen to represent Indiana in the grand diamond contest at the National Convention, to be held in Cincinnati in November. Carl Butler and James Gipe were chosen as alternates.

The following delegates to the World's W. C. T. U. Convention, to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, were appointed: Mrs. Dr. Hall, of Franklin; Mrs. Ada B. Leck, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Roberts, of Pendleton; Mrs. Jennie Ridgway, of Amboy, and Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, of Richmond.

The printed annual reports of last year that remain unsold were directed sent to County Presidents who were willing to pay express on them, that they might be distributed as free literature.

It was also recommended that County Presidents come to the next State Convention prepared to give in the number of copies of the annual report desired in her County, so that the State may better understand the number to have printed.

It was moved by Mrs. Brand that the Indiana W. C. T. U. begin a campaign for statutory prohibition. This question was discussed at great length, and most excellent suggestions as to the plan were given. Mrs. Beauchamp encouraged Indiana to go into the fight.

Mrs. McWhirter had previously tendered to the central committee her resignation as editor of our columns in the *Phalanx*, to take effect at the mid-year. It was regretfully received, and Mattie Cammack-Gibson, with Mrs. Brand as assistant, were appointed to take charge of the work.

MATTIE CAMMAK GIBSON,  
Recording Secretary.

## QUESTIONS.

Ten questions on Indiana W. C. T. U. Annual Report, including the Constitution:

1. What constitutes the Board of Trustees of the Indiana W. C. T. U.?

2. What are the officers and solicitors of Indiana W. C. T. U. Hadley Industrial School together called, and what constitutional obligation to this school has each local Union annually?

3. If a premium offered in the State Plan of Work is won by a local Union, when should it be claimed?

4. What prize, etc., has been offered in W. C. T. U. Institute work? How many State Superintendents have offered prizes in their departments?

5. What is the object of the Annual County Convention and the Annual County Institute which each organized county is expected to hold? What are the distinguishing features of each?

6. What part of each active member's dollar dues is retained in her local and in her county Union, and what part of it comes back to her individually and in what way? What becomes of the remainder of it?

7. What is done with the 10 cents each L. T. L. member is asked to contribute annually? How much is each child invited to bring to all regular meetings for local and general expenses?

8. When should a local Treasurer forward dues to the county Treasurer, and what amount per member? When should a county Treasurer forward dues to the State Treasurer, and how much per member? What list should accompany these amounts?

9. To what are honorary Y. W. C. T. U. members eligible in Indiana? Can all honorary members be Superintendents of departments?

10. Do you regard the individual ownership and study of our Annual Report indispensable to the most desirable results in our work?

The aim of Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital, Chicago, is to induce physicians to treat patients wholly without the use of alcoholics, internally or externally administered, and so firmly establish the principle of total abstinence from everything which can intoxicate or awaken a slumbering appetite for liquor.

Prof. Ogg, Superintendent of the Kokomo, Ind., schools, reports that out of 1,300 boys in the city schools, 400 addicted to the cigarette habit, appeared to be about two years behind the non-smokers in their studies.



# THE MESSAGE.

## SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

### I. ORGANIZERS AND LECTURERS.

*Chairman of Organization*—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.  
*Organizers and Lecturers*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
 Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Indianapolis.  
 Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
 Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. Ada L. Squiers, Terre Haute.  
 Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
 Miss Ina Coggeshall, Marion.  
*L. T. L. Organizer*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, R. R. 1.  
*Work Among Colored People*—Miss Susan Clark, Indianapolis.  
*Work Among Foreigners*—Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw.

### II. PREVENTIVE.

*Health and Heredity and Physical Culture*—Miss Clara Boyd, Rockville.  
*Non-Alcoholic Medication*—Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 N. Meridian street, Indianapolis.

### III. EDUCATIONAL.

*W. C. T. U. Normal Institutes*—Miss Mary Hadley, Bloomington.  
*Sunday School Work*—Mrs. Cynthia Jones, 290 W. Maple st., Wabash.  
*Scientific Temperance Instruction*—Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
*Parliamentary Usage*—Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Indianapolis.  
*Medal Contests*—Mrs. Cora Steele, Muncie.  
*Temperance Literature*—Mrs. Quincy Lee Morrow, Indianapolis.  
*School Savings Banks*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*The Press*—Miss Laura Cammack, Converse.  
*Mothers' Meetings and Purity*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Purity in Literature and Art*—Mrs. Susan F. Bailey, Spiceland.  
*Anti-Narcotics*—Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Indianapolis.  
*Peace and Arbitration*—Miss Lavinia Bailey, Richmond.  
*Temperance and Labor*—Miss Cora Wires, Campbellsburg.  
*Law and Statistics*—Mrs. Florence DeLong, Roanoke.  
*Household Economics*—Mrs. Mary Moody, 219 E. 10th street, Indianapolis.  
*Summer Assemblies*—Miss Clara Sears, Anderson.

### IV. EVANGELISTIC.

*Evangelistic*—Mrs. E. M. Haughton, Richmond.  
*Associate Evangelists*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
 Mrs. Kate Leebick, Sims.  
 Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
 Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Rev. Hannah Stanley, Economy.  
 Rev. Cammack-Gibson, Jonesboro.  
 Mrs. Julia A. Trish, Warsaw.  
 Mrs. Anna Eldridge, Irvington.  
*Systematic Giving*—Mrs. Rose Pearce, Terre Haute.  
*Work Among Railroad Employees*—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
*Department of Mercy*—Mrs. Lou Rall, Huntington.  
*Jail and Prison*—Mrs. Ellen Davis, Indianapolis.  
*Work Among Soldiers and Sailors*—Mrs. Julia Overman, Marion.  
*Work Among Miners*—Mrs. Helen Sherfey, Brazil.  
*Unfermented Communion Wine*—Mrs. J. R. Wood, Indianapolis.  
*Sabbath Observance*—Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
*Associate*—Mrs. Daisy D. Shontz, South Bend.  
*Lectures*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Richmond, R. R. 1.

### V. SOCIAL.

*Flower Mission*—Miss Mabel Jefferies, South Bend.  
*State and County Fairs*—Mrs. Ada B. Leck, 1801 N. Capitol ave., Indianapolis.

### VI. LEGAL.

*Franchise*—Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Associate*—Miss Pearl Rall, Huntington.  
*Christian Citizenship*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Police Matron*—Mrs. M. B. Gorsline, Fort Wayne.  
*Petition and Legislation*—Mrs. Florence Gresham, Fredericksburg.

### STANDING COMMITTEES.

#### STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer.  
 Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand. Miss Mary Hadley.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Mrs. Sarah Lenfestey.  
 Mrs. Cammack-Gibson.

#### APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, Franklin.  
 Mrs. Sarah Lenfestey, Marion.  
 Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
 Rev. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
 Mrs. May Lindley, Bloomington.

#### PLAN OF WORK COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Lida Outland. Mrs. E. M. Haughton.  
 Mrs. Retta Jones. Mrs. Rose Pearce.  
 Mrs. May Lindley. Mrs. Culla Vayhinger.  
 Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand.

### COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

*Adams County*—Mrs. Dr. Holloway, Decatur.  
*Allen County*—Mrs. Emily McIntosh, Hoagland.  
*Bartholomew County*—Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope.  
*Benton County*—Mrs. Amanda Smith, Oxford.  
*Blackford County*—Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Hartford City.  
*Boone County*—Mrs. Mary Hendricks, Lebanon.  
*Carroll County*—Mrs. Anna Voorhees, Flora.  
*Cass County*—Mrs. Dr. Neff, Logansport.  
*Clarke County*—Mrs. Kate Lee, Jeffersonville.  
*Clanburg County*—Mrs. Emma Saylor, 604 W. Walnut St., Frankfort.  
*Crawford County*—Miss Cora J. Parr, Alton.  
*Daviess County*—Mrs. Alice Beaver, Elmore.  
*Dearborn County*—Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, Moore's Hill.  
*Decatur County*—Mrs. Ella B. Wright, Greensburg.  
*DeKalb County*—Mrs. Ida Wise, Auburn.  
*Delaware County*—Mrs. Ella Bond, Muncie.  
*Dubois County*—Mrs. M. L. Hobbs, Ireland.  
*Elkhart County*—Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Elkhart.  
*Floyd County*—Mrs. Dr. Jones, 921 Pearl St., New Albany.  
*Franklin County*—Mrs. Maggie Smith, Brookville.  
*Fulton County*—Mrs. Jessie Toner, Kewanna.  
*Gibson County*—Mrs. J. E. Jenkins, Princeton.  
*Grant County*—Mrs. Gula Shugart, Jonesboro.  
*Hancock County*—Mrs. Ada New, Greenfield.  
*Hendricks County*—Mrs. Caroline M. Hicks, Danville.  
*Henry County*—Mrs. Susanna Bailey, Spiceland.

*Howard County*—Mrs. Lida Outland, Sycamore.  
*Huntington County*—Mrs. Lou E. Rall, 32 Salamonie avenue, Huntington.  
*Jay County*—Mrs. Lizzie Grisell, Pennville.  
*Jennings Co.*—Mrs. Sadie Eves, North Vernon.  
*Knox County*—Mrs. Nellie V. Chambers, Westphalia.  
*Lake County*—  
*LaPorte County*—Mrs. Mary F. Fargher, LaPorte.  
*Madison County*—Mrs. Retta Jones, Alexander.  
*Marshall County*—Mrs. Jennie Erwin, Bourbon.  
*Marion County*—Mrs. Mary A. Evertson, 1403 Ashland avenue, Indianapolis.  
*Martin County*—Miss Susie Majors, Loogootee.  
*Miami County*—Mrs. Dr. Baldwin, Amboy.  
*Morgan County*—Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville.  
*Newton County*—Mrs. E. D. Hardy, Goodland.  
*Noble County*—Mrs. Nora Knowells, Carroll.  
*Parke County*—Miss May L. Lindley, Bloomington.  
*Porter County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Rice, Hobart.  
*Perry County*—Mrs. — Shank, Rome.  
*Pulaski County*—Mrs. Ellen Patten, Oak.  
*Putnam County*—Mrs. Mary G. Webb, Greencastle.  
*Randolph County*—Mrs. Lizette McCormack, Modoc.  
*Ripley County*—Mrs. J. Thacker, Sunman.  
*Rush County*—Mrs. India Smith, Milroy.  
*Spencer County*—Mrs. E. C. Graham, Rockport.  
*Shelby County*—Mrs. Zerilda Kimberling, Winterrowd.  
*Steuben County*—  
*St. Joseph County*—Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, South Bend.  
*Tippecanoe County*—Miss Addie Borum, Attica (R. R. No. 1).  
*Union County*—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Liberty.  
*Vanderburg County*—Mrs. Davidson, Evansville.  
*Vigo County*—Mrs. Alice McDaniels, Terre Haute.  
*Wabash County*—Mrs. Mary Unger, Wabash.  
*Washington County*—Mrs. Mary N. Overman, Salem.  
*Wayne County*—Mrs. Hannah W. Stanley, Economy.  
*Wells County*—Mrs. Goodin, Bluffton.  
*Whitley County*—Mrs. Clara A. Remington, S. Whitley.  
*White County*—Mrs. Etta White, Chalmers.  
*Warrick County*—Mrs. Fannie Hopkins, Petersburg.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Quarter including January, February and March.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Bal. from last quarter...	\$110 16	State Treas., expenses	
Dues for 1,139 members		work on MESSAGE	
at 40 cents.....	455 60	list.....	1 50
Received for MESSAGE.....	256 53	Past Treas., back salary	14 00
Thank offering from		State Sec. L. T. L., ap-	20 00
Morgan County.....	2 68	propriation.....	20 00
Receipts on Pledge		State Sec. Y. W. C. T. U.	
Cards.....	4 00	dues 13 members.....	2 60
Memorial Fund.....	12 00	Phalanx Co., for print-	
		ing office supplies.....	37 82
		Anna Gordon, memo-	
		rial picture.....	2 00
		Other expenses central	
		committee.....	4 90
		Mrs. Hessong, Hadley	
		School.....	3 50
		Wabash County, pre-	
		mium lecture.....	2 50
		Vice-Pres., expenses to	
		com., express on	
		stationery.....	2 45
		Mrs. Beauchamp's ex-	
		penses ex. com.....	18 70
		National Treas., liter-	
		ature.....	6 15
		National Treas., memo-	
		rial fund.....	14 00
		National treas., dues	
		for 1,139 members.....	113 90
		Appropriation to State	
		Superintendents.....	137 00
		Total.....	\$834 02
		Balance.....	\$12 60

### REPORT OF ANNUAL MINUTES.

For printing Minutes.....\$257 80  
 Paid on bill for printing Minutes.....89 42  
 Balance due.....\$168 38

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Will you kindly observe that, comparing the money received for the MESSAGE with the membership of the State, one hundred and twelve and four fifths women who have paid State dues have not paid for the MESSAGE. If every regular member had had her dues paid correctly, sixty-five cents at the end of the quarter sent from her County or local Treasurer to the State Treasurer, this sum would have been augmented from \$256 53 to \$284.75. Some of these papers are extra subscriptions, so the disparity is even greater than appears in the report. Are you reading this? Does it mean anything to you? Do you know if your name and address and money has correctly reached the County and State Treasurers? Do you know if your post office or mail delivery is not at fault if you do not receive your paper promptly? Treasurers, please note this. If the Treasurer would kindly send to me the list of members, with correct post office address, who are entitled to the paper, and the date when subscription expires, I could make corrections easily and surely with a great saving of time and postage. This is now constitutionally a part of the Treasurer's work. ALICE RUTH PALMER, 398 Kentucky St., Franklin, Ind.

## IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

"Too bad we have lost Vermont," the temperance people are saying to each other all over the country. "The real reason for that majority against prohibition is the love of liquor," said a gentleman, a

close observer, who has spoken several times against license in that State during the late campaign.

"How does it happen that the people of Vermont, the first State to enact a Scientific Temperance Instruction Law, had not learned better than to vote for liquor?" I am asked.

It is true that Vermont, in 1882, passed the first law ever enacted requiring the public school study of the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics as a part of physiology and hygiene, but it was a very weak law, which practically resulted in putting the study into the high schools only, thus reaching a fraction of the pupils, the voters of to-day.

Four years later, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of that State, led by their President, Mrs. A. J. Perkins, realizing that the scientific temperance education of only about five per cent of the coming voters (the number reached by the high schools) would not educate a majority of Vermont's future voters to personal prohibition and thus strengthen legal prohibition in that State, petitioned for and secured, in 1886, a stronger scientific temperance instruction law. This new law required the branch in question to be taught orally to all pupils unable to read and with graded text-books in the hands of all pupils who had books on other subjects, with a penalty for non-enforcement. The same forces that were then and always have been working against Vermont's prohibitory law, opposed with utmost venom the passage of this strong temperance education law. The opponents evidently foresaw that it meant prohibition for the State forever. Nevertheless, the law passed.

Two years later the defeat of this measure, which open opposition could not accomplish, was secured by accident, mistake, or —. The legislative bill for the consolidation of the school laws of the State, through a mistake, or otherwise failing to enumerate the new scientific temperance instruction law with those to be retained with the other codified laws, at the end of the bill specially cited the number of this new law as one of those which "are hereby repealed." Not a member of the legislature heard from nor the governor who signed the bill knew that the new temperance education law was thus repealed until months after, so it is said.

The next legislature restored the first old law, with no requirements of the study in the lower grades, of text-books for pupils' use, and no penalty for non-enforcement. The sequel to all this recorded itself on the ballots that were cast on February 3, 1903, which made the Green Mountain State a commonwealth that gives its towns and cities the right, if they so choose, to make "a covenant with sin and death" in licensing the sale of the greatest of all causes of degeneracy and crime.

Blackstone says, "law is embodied sentiment." Prohibitory law is embodied sentiment against alcohol. Such sentiment must be made by education before it can be embodied into statutes, and when once secured, if prohibitory statutes are to be perpetuated, the same sentiment must be maintained by education that will teach each succeeding generation that alcohol is by nature an outlaw that should be outlawed. The chief source for anti-alcohol sentiment in the 20th century is the schoolhouse. States that year after year are teaching their public school children, especially in lower grades, where alone the larger cities can be reached, the physiological reasons for obeying the laws of health, including those that teach total abstinence, are the nearest to the overthrow of the awful dominion of alcohol within their borders.

MARY H. HUNT.

## INSTITUTES.

At Hartford City the Blackford County Spring Institute was held April 28 and 29 with most gratifying results. It began with a matron's contest Tuesday evening, which was well attended and very interesting. The recitations were fine and were listened to by an appreciative audience. Mrs. Roberts gave a selection entitled, "Who will Roll Away the Stone," which won her the medal. The music by the Presbyterian choir, at which church the evening services were held, was greatly appreciated, as was also the mandolin club. Much advertising was done through the papers, in the churches and by letters throughout the county. This cost us no money except the postage, but it did take quite a little time to advertise. Our efforts brought success and our hearts were cheered by the presence of a large audience. We discussed the subjects of fees at the door, tickets, etc., at our Local Union, but as there is much honest opposition in this city to either method, we finally concluded to have open doors and depend on our collection, which we did, with the result—overran our expectation. Let us endeavor to keep peace and harmony within all our borders. We might have pressed the matter, sold tickets or charged admission, thereby causing dissension, but I am sure all who submitted their own wish, yielding to the opinion of the other side, felt well rewarded by the success of the Institute.

Wednesday morning we met at the Grand street church with the Frances Willard Union. The attendance was good at the day sessions, which were lively and interesting throughout. "What is the Work of the W. C. T. U.?" was ably handled by Mrs. Stahl, and "The Plan for Dealing with the Saloon," by Rev. Woodruff. "Alcohol in the Home as a Medicine" was discussed by the Institute, led by Mrs. Shannon. Mrs. Stahl's lesson on parliamentary rules caused some amusement, as a matter of course. Papers on "Why Annually Observe a Memorial for Miss



Willard?" by Mrs. Lee, and "The Boy and the Cigarette," by Mrs. Inman, and "Our National Sin," by Mrs. Likely, were well received. Rev. Durfey spoke enthusiastically on "What Part should the Church take in Moral and Social Reform?" in which he placed the church as a soul saving institution and the W. C. T. U. as a means to an end.

In the evening Rev. Watkins, of Montpelier, lectured on "Christian Citizenship," which was pronounced very fine. Thus closed a most successful Institute and we are encouraged by the statement of those who are in a position to know, they just get better and better.

**Howard County W. C. T. U. Convention** was very interesting and instructive. The subject of "Sabbath Observance" was discussed in all its phases. Miss Sears spoke on "Whither Are the Young People Drifting?" Miss Edith Hillis read an excellent paper on "The Possibilities of the L. T. L." This is the young people and children's branch of the work. Mrs. Ida Hopkins, who, in former years, was President of the Kokomo Union, had charge of the devotional exercises. Miss Rebecca Street read an able paper on "Alcohol in the Home as a Medicine or Used in Food." The subject was discussed in a very interesting manner by Dr. Harrison and others. One of the best papers during the day was by Mrs. Nora T. Gause. Subject, "Benefits to be Derived from the Full Enfranchisement of Woman." This subject was fully and freely discussed. We think if any doubting Thomas was in attendance who might be uncertain about women wanting to vote, he must have been convinced that there was no doubt about it, but that the whole convention was unanimous in claiming the right to citizenship. The subject, "How Can Christians Make an Aggressive and Successful Warfare Against the Saloon?" was ably handled by Mrs. Allen, of Sycamore; Rev. Murray Kenworthy and Hon. A. B. Kirkpatrick. After the adjournment Miss Sears addressed a meeting of the young ladies of the high school.

**St. Joseph County Institute** was held at the Christian Church in South Bend. Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer, leader. Mrs. Shoutz and Mrs. Holler added much by their presence and helpfulness. Mr. Bassett spoke with enthusiasm on "Literature in the Home." A paper on "The Possibilities and Educational Advantages of the L. T. L.," by Mrs. Weld, was greatly appreciated. Papers by Mesdames Bernbard, Baxter, Fasnacht and Miss Haines were of great interest. On the first evening there was an excellent address by Miss Palmer. On the second evening, an oratorical contest was held, Miss Ethel Ruth Barker winning the medal. The musical program was fine. While the judges were out, Miss Palmer gave a chart talk which was very interesting. During the Institute Miss Palmer won many friends for herself and the cause.

**Elkhart County Institute** closed last Friday night with a very successful Gold Medal contest, at which Miss Pansy Kantz, of Nappanee, was winner. The Institute was held at Elkhart by Mrs. A. P. Daub, County President, assisted by Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, of South Bend, and was a success throughout. Ministers, doctors and teachers of the County were on the program and took an active part, and the music was fine.

**Delaware County Institute** was held at Muncie, in the new M. E. Church at Eaton, with Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall as Leader. Although it rained almost continuously on both days, the attendance was fair and the enthusiasm greater than usual. We all enjoyed Mrs. Hall very much. The church was beautifully decorated with flowers and palms, and the pastor did everything to make it pleasant for all. A Loyal Temperance Legion was organized with 86 members, with Mrs. Lydia Carmichael as Leader. The week following we had the pleasure of entertaining and listening to our beloved National President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, the Vice-President, Mrs. Anna Gordon, and Mrs. Brand. To Mrs. Brand we owe our most sincere thanks for bringing the national officers to us. Miss Gordon spoke in the afternoon to the children, and from the enthusiasm she created a Loyal Temperance Legion was organized, which meets every two weeks and is doing good work.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Tippecanoe County Normal Convention** was held in the Free Methodist Church at LaFayette. Attendance good. The County President, Miss Eliza Baker, and the Presidents of the three Unions of LaFayette were present, and the County Superintendents of the various departments. The topics presented brought forth some interesting discussions, and each subject was ably defended by the party presenting it. The subject of intemperance has been greatly agitated in our city in the past year, therefore gave a broad opening for all interested therein, and it was encouraging indeed to the W. C. T. U. to note how many who heretofore had seemed so indifferent to the work take a deep interest. Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, after heating a spoonful of lemon extract, allowed the audience to watch how long it took the alcohol to burn out. It is surprising how many are ignorant as to this fact. She spoke earnestly on the subject of giving children the various "patent medicines," supposed by many mothers to be a necessary article for the infant; how the "soothing syrups," etc., with their morphine and other poisonous substances, were resorted to, thereby bringing the child up to the morphine and whisky habit, as it had been instilled into it from infancy.

This was one of the most interesting conventions ever held in LaFayette, and besides the added membership, it strengthened the members of the W. C. T. U., and each one concluded to work more diligently the coming year in the great cause. The only drawback to the perfect day was the lack of time, and each felt that if the day had been as much longer it could have been improved. Mrs. Wm. Vaughn, President of the Central W. C. T. U., gave an interesting talk on the way to treat the liquor traffic. There was only one way of treating the saloon, and that was "a death dealing blow at the beginning." There were too many talking against the saloon and then voting for it. Her recitation was along this line also, and received applause. It was decided to accept the 22d and 23d of July for work at the Battle Ground camp meeting, also the evening of the 22d, and we hope to make the time occupied as interesting and helpful as possible. A committee was appointed to look after the same. Rev. F. B. Lutz, of the Free Methodist Church, who is heart and soul in this great work, gave some interesting and beneficial talks along the different lines. In the evening Rev. Rippetoe held a temperance meeting at the Congress M. E. Church. He, too, is an earnest worker in this cause, and his sermon was deep, educational and to the point. The pulpit and press are among the W. C. T. U.'s greatest workers. The day was glorious. Likewise the work of the convention.

**Indianapolis Mapleton Union** held a fathers' and mothers' meeting Friday evening, April 24th, at Mrs. Sarah Rodman's, corner of Thirty-fourth and Salem streets. Despite the heavy downpour of rain at half past seven, and the continued threatening weather, a company of more than twenty-five persons gathered to listen to an address by Rev. Beck, of the M. E. church, on "The Attendance of Children at Churches," and to an address by Mrs. Kate Carr on "The Moral Training of Children." Both subjects were ably handled. The discussions following the presentation of each were exceedingly interesting and enjoyed by all. Light refreshments and a social hour followed. Every one felt repaid for coming out, even though it was dark, muddy and rainy.

**Saturday, May 16,** was a day of unusual interest on the subject of Temperance at Princeton. The Union arranged to have Mrs. Hattie Brand and Miss Carrie Lee Carter, National Organizer. Most heartily did the ministers of the city co-operate and the entire day was given over to these workers. In the morning they occupied the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church. In the afternoon Miss Carter addressed a mass meeting in the M. E. church, and at the same hour Mrs. Brand spoke in the colored M. E. church. At night there were two union meetings, one in the U. B. church (a down-town church), and the other in a distant part of the city. Both churches were crowded and 49 members added to the Union. The speakers were invited to appear before the ministerial association Monday morning. The people of Gibson County are actively at work against the saloon. They have been banished from several towns and we hope to see the county seat free from the curse.

**Franklin Union** held a non-alcoholic medication meeting May 19th at the home of one of its members. Dr. H. J. Hall, Superintendent of this department, had charge of the meeting and during his talk brought out many facts beneficial to those present. Many questions were asked by the members along the line of non-alcoholic stimulants. The meeting proved to be one of the most interesting and profitable held for some time. One member was added to the Union at the close of the meeting.

**As a result** of the Institute in Huntington County, a little Union and a flourishing L. T. L. was left as a reminder of the occasion in Markle. Huntington local Union now comes forward in the proper spirit of helpfulness and has engaged Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley to give Markle the benefit of her forceful thought.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** spent a week at Moore's Hill and several days at Greensburg and Huntington. Great results followed.

**South Kokomo Union** is to be congratulated on having secured Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley's services for Sunday, May 17. Mrs. Stanley spoke earnestly both morning and evening and addressed the Sunday School at Markland avenue M. E. church in the afternoon. Ten new members were added to the Union.

**At Owensville** Mrs. Brand and Miss Carter held meetings on May 15th. Five new members were added to the organization. Owensville has put away the saloons and the people are alive to the interest of the home and church.

**The Minnehaha** sailed May 16 with the national officers and delegates to attend the world's W. C. T. U. convention, which meets in Geneva, Switzerland, June 9th. Mrs. Ada B. Leck, of Indianapolis, our Indiana delegate, was in the party and we will expect to learn from her much in regard to the great convention.

**Picnic at Hadley Home June 18.** Be sure and arrange to attend and bring plenty of lunch. Everybody must plan to go who is interested in our Hadley Home. Be sure and take some present with you from yourself and neighbors for the Home or for one of the dear little girls.

**In Texas** the wave of local option still rolls on. Four more counties have called for elections and it is prophesied that they will vote for prohibition.

**Shugart Union,** Marion, mourns because death entered two of its homes. Mrs. Haines, mother of Henry Haines, an honorary member, died April 26, and Gerard Cunningham, son of E. B. and Ida Cunningham, went home April 23. Mrs. Cunningham is Superintendent of the Loyal Temperance Legion, and Gerard was a devoted member. His bright, sunny face will be sadly missed. The most pathetic scene in the funeral service was the marching of the Loyal Temperance Legion past the open casket and a white carnation being dropped in by each member. Tears were in every eye and a wound in every heart for their dearly beloved playmate. The floral offerings were the most beautiful ever seen at any child's funeral in the city. Both the family of Mr. Haines and Mr. Cunningham have the heartfelt sympathy of Shugart W. C. T. U. We commend them to our Heavenly Father, who alone is able to heal broken hearts.

**The Novel Entertainment,** "The Doctor's Day Off," was given to a full house by the Indianapolis Mapleton Union, in the University Place Baptist Church, on North Meridian street, on the evening of May 19. The entertainment was quite pleasing and instructive, which was quite manifested by the frequent applause. This is a happy way of presenting this subject and has made quite a bit. It has fixed the truths of the great harmfulness of medicines containing alcohol, and other dangerous drugs, upon the minds of the people in a way that nothing else has done. An original story on this subject by Mrs. McDermid, two recitations and good music by three little tots and a quartet completed this most interesting entertainment. No one who attended this meeting will say that the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication is a dry subject. The door receipts, as well as the entertainment, was quite pleasing to the ladies of the Union.

**The South Bend Frances Willard Union** held a very interesting meeting recently at the home of Mrs. F. L. Axtell. The entire meeting was given over to the department of parliamentary usage. A parlor play entitled, "A Business Meeting," was presented by ten members, portraying in a very amusing way a business meeting where parliamentary laws are not observed. A drill was also given, after which there was a general discussion on the work of this department. The County President and all the local Presidents were present. Some time was spent hearing what is being done along the line of this department in the different Unions. So much enthusiasm and interest was shown that it was decided to hold a similar meeting in two weeks, to which all Unions in the county are invited.

**Fredericksburg Willard Union** held Frances Willard Memorial Services in the M. E. Church. "America" was sung, followed by members reading Scripture texts in response to roll call. Prayer by Mrs. Royce; Readings and recitations by Maggie Williams, Annie Moore, Edith Denrees, Mamie Brown; also by Wilson Gresham, a beautiful recitation, "It is God's Battle and He Calls You." (If every Christian would respond to God's call, what an army he would have in the battle against King Alcohol.) H. L. Sieg spoke of the origin of great events, especially of the W. C. T. U. Mr. Sieg is an able talker and we hope to see him afire in the temperance work in the near future. After a few remarks by the President concerning our work, a collection was taken amounting to about \$3.00, which was forwarded to the National Treasurer for the Willard memorial fund.

**In Boston, Mass.,** the Prohibitionists of the city have endorsed the plan of Mr. Fred. E. Britten to have preaching services Sunday afternoons in Tremont Temple. A strong committee on preliminary organization has been appointed. Mr. Britten expects to hold his first service the last Sunday in May and to continue indefinitely after that.

**At Fairmount Union,** in a recent meeting, Hadley Home and its needs were discussed, and it was decided that all who wished to contribute anything that would be useful might do so. As a result, a box valued at \$18.00 and \$10.00 in cash were contributed and forwarded, with more to follow.

**Moore's Hill W. C. T. U.** had the pleasure of having with them Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens and Miss Anna A. Gordon. They lectured on the evening of March 26th in the Methodist Church to a large and appreciative audience. The church was beautifully decorated by committees from each of the college societies. A collection was taken amounting to \$24.42.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton** will be at Nevada, in Tipton County, on Saturday and Sunday, the 13th and 14th of June, and can fill any appointments in that part of the State just prior to those dates or between them and the 18th.

**The Huntington L. T. L.** gave a most interesting Mercy contest at the Christian Church in April. Miss Hilda Deighton won the silver medal and Miss Fern Spangler the second prize. All the contestants did well. This for the Hadley Home offering.

## IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. LYDIA E. MOORMAN, of Phlox Union, was called home on April 8, aged 75 years. She was a faithful, earnest Christian, a member of the Friends Church, and a loyal White Ribboner. As Superintendent of Mothers' Meetings she was most helpful to the Union and to the cause. Loved by all who knew her, although we miss her, still her influence lingers with us.



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## SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

### ISLAND PARK—ROME CITY, IND.

Every White Ribboner who can do so should spend a week at Island Park. Our temperance clans will gather there. July 30, lecture by Col. Geo. W. Bain; July 31, W. C. T. U. entertainment; August 4, W. C. T. U. Day; August 5, Temperance Day—Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, orator, and Miss Eva Marshall Shoutz and Miss Maud Baker, readers; August 6, Mrs. Ormiston Chant. In the parlor of the W. C. T. U. House mothers' meetings and a W. C. T. U. council will be held daily. Prohibition sentiment fills the air at Island Park.

### BETHANY PARK.

Bethany Park is beautifully situated and of easy access for Indianapolis people. The cool breezes and fine water make it a delightful place. Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, Oliver W. Stewart and Mrs. Carrie Nation will speak on July 27. Plan now to go to Bethany Park. Our temperance forces will be there. Dr. and Mrs. Homer J. Hall and the splendid committee will welcome all who go. Railroad rates very low. Morgan County White Ribboners and their families will be there and give all who go a cordial greeting. Spend several days at Bethany Park. If this is impossible, take your lunch basket well filled and spend W. C. T. U. Day. Let the white ribbons be as numerous there as the snowflakes that helped defeat Napoleon at Moscow.

### BATTLE GROUND—LAFAYETTE.

W. C. T. U. Days July 22 and 23. The temperance people of this part of the State are urged to attend. See program elsewhere. These days will be provided with speakers who pay their own expenses and work for the cause. Please rally to their support.

## SHAME!

Dr. Francis E. Clark, President of the great Christian Endeavor organization, has lately been traveling in India, and in conversation with a party of Brahmins on the subject of intemperance, the following statement was made to him by one of the party: "We Brahmins are teetotalers by religion, custom, birth and tradition; but the government under which we live, Great Britain, is forcing the liquor curse upon us against our will. Even when we struggle to free ourselves it is no use. Our rulers think more of revenue than they do of our souls and bodies. They would send us all to perdition for the sake of raising the taxes more easily! We are trying to get a law passed prohibiting the sale of liquor in any district where three-fourths of the people of the district or city ward petition against it. But even that the officials will not allow, and our country will be cursed by liquor, we fear, in spite of all."

The recent reports of increased liquor sales in Manila under the beneficent rule of our own enlightened government point in the same direction.

## DO YOU KNOW

That 50 per cent of every dollar tax you pay is because of the liquor traffic?

That we have 1,250,000 drunkards with will, mind, character and hopes for this life and that of the future gone?

That we have another army equally as large approaching drunkenness, swelling the whole army to 2,500,000?

Who is responsible for these appalling facts?

License is not intended to stop the liquor traffic, but to perpetuate it.

If you vote with the liquor dealers, you vote for their business.

The saloon curse will not be destroyed until the government and the people dissolve partnership with it.

The battle must be desperately fought and the field of battle is the field of politics, and the foes of the saloon must unite against its friends.

There is but one power in the land stronger than the saloon and that is the church. In some of the States the State Boards of Statistics show that 81 per cent of criminals, 80 per cent of paupers, 55 per cent of insane and 44 per cent of idiots and feeble minded are traceable to the use of intoxicating liquors. Besides the drunkards who perish annually, multitudes of the innocent lose their lives by accident and women and children without number are heartbroken and homeless.

Is it not time for a union of forces against this giant of all evils? Are YOU for or against it?—*Ex.*

The saloon keepers of Bedford organized a lodge of Knights of Fidelity last night—a secret order composed exclusively of liquor dealers. The lodge from Seymour came over and started things going. It is said the K. of F. will make it hot for the Nicholson law and the W. C. T. U. when the next Legislature convenes.—*Bedford Daily Mail, June 16.*

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

The month of roses will be past and gone before this little message of my love and remembrance shall have reached you. The pleasant June days! What have they brought to us? A more deeply settled conviction that our cause is right. That our plans have been tried and found practicable. That the womanhood of our country will not keep silent while the work of death committed by the saloon goes on. This, and much more, has helped me to seek to give my best to the work of the W. C. T. U., and I have been glad many times since joining the White Ribbon army that we should not be held responsible so much for great results growing out of our efforts to serve home and country, but rather for our faithfulness in little duties near at hand.

Many new women have joined our ranks this year, and their help will be much appreciated in the State, especially so now when some of our tried and true workers feel that they must have a little vacation in the hot summer months. I hope, however, that very many of our workers may find at least a few days of rest and recreation at our summer assemblies and at the same time keep the temperance work before the people.

I think it is not too soon to commence planning for our annual day of prayer and thank-offering in August. A suggestive program, with envelopes containing a note of explanation, will be sent out in time for the meetings, but let us be talking about it, and get our friends interested so that all our preparations will not have to be made in the last few days. I sincerely believe if this day of prayer and thank-offering is observed in our organized counties we will receive in return a great revival of spiritual life in our local Unions, as well as the wherewithal to carry on our work.

I can hardly realize we are now in the last quarter of this year's work. How much it suggests to all of us so much to be done in the time left to do it. But I know every loyal heart beats in unison with mine that this year may be our best year "for God and home and native land."

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## LIGHT FROM A LAYMAN.

The *British Medical Journal* contains some striking prohibition arguments. This is the leading British medical journal; it is in no sense a teetotal publication; it is not written for nor addressed to abstainers; indeed, few of the readers take any interest in the total abstinence movement. In a leading article, which is not the work of an abstainer, nor is it written in the interest of the teetotal party, nor intended to promote total abstinence, the following statements are given prominence as quotations from leading medical authorities:

"Were it not for alcohol, we might close nearly all our hospitals, prisons, orphanages and asylums, as there would be practically nothing for any doctors to do."

"Alcohol is a deadly poison, only to be classed with arsenic, strychnine, belladonna and henbane."

"If you cut off the moderate supply of alcohol entirely, you diminish the death and sick rates one-half, and abolish crime and poverty."

## Y. W. C. T. U.

On May 24th Miss Sears organized a most promising "Somerset Y" at Indianapolis at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Fox, with Miss Burris as President and Miss Holliday as Vice-President. The home of Miss Mabel Benson, the county Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary, is near this Y., and we know she will help to guide them. They have gone to work in earnest. Let us pray for these noble girls, and that their brothers may come and help. Saturday, June 20, they held their social at the home of the Vice-President, Miss Holliday.

On June 13, at Phlox, Howard County, a splendid Y. was organized, with fourteen active and three honorary members. Miss Bessie Fox, President; Miss Adah Overman, Vice-President; Katherine Hinshaw, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Nellie Howard, Recording Secretary; Miss Maude Miller, Treasurer. We hope they will name their Y. the Ellis Y., of Phlox, for one of the grandest Christian characters any community can be blessed with. This Y. will plan a grand gold medal contest and ice cream social to be held on the lawn of Mr. Shockney. Everything is in their favor for splendid work. Pray for them, dear Ys., in this State.

Otterbein Y. reports 20 active and 9 honorary members. They are filled with enthusiasm, for, at their county seat, Fowler, Benton County, recently was witnessed a wonderful demonstration when the people carried banners into the auditor's office, which read, "We signed it, and we are going to stay with it," "Yes, we are willing to go to Fowler," etc. License

was refused three men in Bolivar. Just to think, in this large crowd no liquor taint on their breath. In that crowd were young men, white haired men, some who fought for our country. They went there for a purpose. God bless Benton County.

Oxford Y., organized in March during the County Institute, held an ice cream social, and has plenty of money in its treasury to pay its dues this third quarter. We expect great things from it.

Fredericksburg Y. is doing good work, five active members paying dues for the third quarter. Miss Palmer was the leader of the County Convention, which met on the 11th and 12th of May, and the instruction given by her was considered a great help by the Ys.

Goshen Y. reports 16 paid members on the active list and two honoraries. The organization is in splendid condition under the faithful leadership of its Secretary, Mrs. Amanda S. Kauffman.

Anderson Y. will have a demonstration in Health Dress at the home of Superintendent of Physical Culture, Mrs. Dr. Bush. Seventy-five invitations were issued to Anderson ladies. The event will prove one of the most helpful of any afternoon which has been given in the city for a long time.

Anderson Y. has had the pleasure of sending one of its members to Muncie for the gold medal contest held in connection with the State Superintendent's meeting. Miss Janet Fenimore is wonderfully gifted, and Anderson Y. is very proud of her.

Indiana Ys., hold up your hands. Come to our help. We need your best talent, brains and strength. Give it to the Lord in this branch of his work and you will be blessed. Pray for your Secretary and for one another. Try to double your membership by next quarter, September 15, the last of the year.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## AN INDIANA WOMAN HONORED.

Floy Gilmore, of Indiana, has been appointed assistant attorney-general of the Philippines. She is the first woman to be honored with so high an office in the islands. She is a native of Indiana, and for several years was private secretary to Prof. E. Finley Johnson, instructor in law at the University of Michigan. During that time she showed an aptitude for law, and took a course in the university under the direction of Professor Johnson.

When Professor Johnson was appointed judge of the Court of the First Instance in the Philippines, Miss Gilmore accompanied him to Manila, and remained in his employ as private secretary. She learned Spanish and took the examination for stenographer and typewriter in the civil service in the islands. Miss Gilmore was assigned to the office of the attorney-general in September, 1901, and showed such aptitude for the work in connection with the office that she has now been made assistant to the attorney-general.—*Washington Dispatch.*

Floy Gilmore is a Greensburg product. She was born in Greensburg, educated in our city schools and graduated from our high school. As a school girl her ability in declaiming attracted attention, and on several occasions the public was entertained and instructed at prohibition rallies by her when competing for medals. It is my recollection that she was universally successful over all competition. She won a gold medal at a rally in Court House Park in 1892 on the occasion of a speech by Indiana's "grand old man," Aaron Worth. This was a Congressional District contest, several counties contesting. Subsequently she won another gold medal, and as at that time there was no chance for a diamond one in the State, her efforts in the medal line ceased. She removed with her mother, who was a very earnest, active W. C. T. U. member, to Elwood, where, with her mother's assistance in part, but principally by her own efforts, she became an expert stenographer and typewriter, reporting for the court and press, and finally successfully taking a law course at Ann Arbor, paying her way by her own efforts. Miss Gilmore is about twenty-five years old now, and I believe her career is without precedent in the nation. It is remarkable what a woman can accomplish in the present day and age, as this imperfect sketch of Miss Gilmore proves.

S. V. WRIGHT.

Greensburg, Ind.

Chancellor Day, of Syracuse University, declares the greatness of the cause of prohibition is apace with organized opposition. In a letter to Mr. Woolley he says: "The cause of prohibition is greater than ever before, because our country is greater and because the tremendous forces of organized brewers and rum-sellers are greater, and because the sophistries put forth by a secular press, which confuse the issue, never were greater. God bless you with great wisdom. You could not have greater devotion and courage."



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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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The desperate efforts of the saloon element is shown in its splendid organization. Our people must think and they must act.

If you know of a loyal White Ribboner who will move to another city, please send such item to the MESSAGE. All the Unions need the inspiration and help that comes from those who have worked elsewhere. Send a postal with such information and it will be gladly received.

Perhaps your Union is not holding contests because the dear faithful workers cannot do the work. If so, why not regularly appoint some young woman as Superintendent of the Contest Department? If wisely selected, a young woman will succeed wonderfully well in getting young people interested. Try this plan.

A copy of the Union Signal should be on the library of sitting room table in every temperance woman's house in our country. Because she needs the news it contains. Because those in her home will read it. Because no Christian temperance woman can afford to be ignorant of the temperance work carried on by the women of the world.

Now is the time for agitation for a prohibitory law for Indiana. You can do much to arouse your household to thinking along this line if you will show them the results of the prohibitory law (local option) in the Southern States. Read up on these. It means much to have 17,000,000 of people and more in the Southland, out of 27,000,000 population, under prohibitory law.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held just across our border line this year—at Cincinnati. Headquarters will be secured. We expect that hundreds of Indiana people will attend this convention. Now is the time to plan for the trip. Arrange to take your son or daughter with you with the understanding that it is to attend the convention and not to spend the time sight seeing.

Oliver W. Stewart, National Chairman, made a fine record as a member of the Illinois Legislature. He is a highly educated and cultured Christian gentleman who lives above the clouds in moral thinking—a sun crowned man. As an orator Mr. Stewart has few equals. His services are in such demand that but few dates for the entire summer are open. We are to have him in Indiana, at Bethany Park, July 26 and 27, Island Park (Rome City) August 5, Remington August 9 and 10. The temperance people should not fail to arrange for large delegations from their towns to go to hear him. Plan now for this.

## MRS. NEFF'S ANTI-CRUELTY PRIZE.

To the boys and girls of Cass County under sixteen years of age, I hereby offer three prizes—five dollars to the first, three dollars to the second and two dollars to the third—for the best eight-line rhyme incorporating three reasons why one should not ride or drive a docked horse. The manuscripts must be written in ink, come by mail and be ready for the judges by July 1, 1903.

MRS. FLORA T. NEFF,  
Logansport, Ind.

Since the above announcement, Mrs. C. L. Berry offers two hand-painted plates as fourth and fifth prizes. Who's next?

A nice picnic with luncheon is promised those who participate in this mercy contest.

Dr. Chambers, physician to the Prince of Wales, says that "with the common wine treatment in typhoid fever, the deaths are one in five; without wine, one in forty."

## KNIGHTS OF FIDELITY.

The liquor dealers are organizing. They have laid plans for aggressive work by forming a secret organization, the Knights of Fidelity, limited to members of the trade. They have their official organ. Consider what this means.

Every Christian is needed now in the ranks of temperance organization. The crisis is coming when it will no longer be safe or practicable to stay on the fence. Every man will be expected to get into a congenial camp, if it is with the temperance people or with the saloon element. He will have to take sides. Christian men and women, get information, buckle on the armor of God and throw yourselves into this warfare until you die or the saloon dies.

## THE NEW MOVEMENT.

A year ago liquor dealers established a protective bureau. The work accomplished shows the determination, plan and effectiveness of this new movement. It has reached into 22 States, with actual participation in 181 local contests where local option was at issue. It has collected names of voters at such places and distributed 2,515,000 tracts and other forms of literature, and at the recent session of the National Association it proposed to cover all sections with literature which shall "lay the prohibitory idea at rest." "A model license law" is to be devised within the next year, which is pronounced to be one of the most important undertakings before the bureau.

A claim is made that the literature campaign has defeated temperance in 125 local contests and has "thrown off the yoke of prohibition from Vermont and New Hampshire." The report further contains this significant paragraph:

"Where possible a representative of the bureau has visited troubled States, ascertained definitely and fully the situation and consulted with the local people as to the best means of procedure. This has brought the bureau in touch with our people throughout the country, resulting in the establishment of mutually advantageous relations."

From all this the impending crisis seems to be rapidly approaching. Very soon every man and intelligent woman who loves temperance and whose opposition counts for God and home and native land must take up the battle and meet this formidable enemy.

## A DAY WITH OUR GIRLS.

On June 18 the annual picnic was held at the Hadley Industrial School. Among the Unions represented were the following: Westfield, Indianapolis Central, Indianapolis Palmer, Indianapolis Tarlton, Broad Ripple, Monrovia, Mooresville, Danville, Plainfield, Greencastle, Brazil, Campbellsburg, Bedford, Franklin, Avon. The program in the morning consisted of vocal and instrumental duets, songs, choruses and recitations by our girls and an address by Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, of Franklin. In the afternoon a silver medal contest was held and Katie Collins won the medal. All the speakers did well.

While the judges were out Miss Ida Kurney, of Taylor University, at Upland, recited "Patsy." She is one of our Hadley girls, who has finished the work of our school and now is a student at Taylor, with bright prospects. Ida has unusual ability as an elocutionist.

After the contest Mrs. McWhirter made a short address, closing with an appeal for furnishings for the beautiful Home.

The visitors brought well supplied lunch baskets and shared the contents with the girls. At noon groups of picnickers were everywhere to be seen in the beautiful grounds, enjoying the rare day in June under such favorable circumstances. In every group could be seen sweet faced girls who were eating with guests.

The weather was ideal, and everything possible for the convenience and enjoyment of the guests was provided by our splendid Superintendent, Mrs. Randolph, and the faithful trustees, Miss Hobart, Mrs. Tarlton and Mrs. Hessong.

## MEMORY GEMS.

A wineglass is never right side up until it is upside down.

The abuse of alcohol begins with its use.—Dr. R. Koppe.

The only safe way of drinking is to leave off before you begin.—Canon Farrar.

Only a clear brain can think God's thoughts after Him. Only a steady hand can glorify the Divine Carpenter.—Frances E. Willard.

He who would keep himself to himself should imitate dumb animals and drink water.—Bulwer-Lytton.

There is no place on the railroad for the young man who drinks; in fact, I may say there is no place for him anywhere in the business world.—Andrew Carnegie.

Temperance puts wood on the fire, meat in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, clothes on the children, contentment in the house and vigor in the body.—Benjamin Franklin.

Temperance brings blessings in both hands—blessings for time and blessings for eternity.—Father Mathew.

The convictions of the boy are represented in the ballot of the man.—Mary H. Hunt.—*School Physiology Journal*.

## SUPERINTENDENTS.

### JAIL AND PRISON WORK.

Mrs. Ellen Davis, of Indianapolis, State Superintendent of Jail and Prison Work, is a tireless worker in her department. She is a member of the Indianapolis Central Union. At the last meeting of the Union her report as local Superintendent was as follows: Meetings at the work house for men, 10; meetings at the work house for women, 9; meetings at State prison for women, 5; Home of the Friendless, 5; Door of Hope, 12; 1,900 pages of literature distributed; 1,500 tracts; 100 Bible texts; 2 Bibles; 2 Testaments; wrote one letter for prisoner, and secured 82 signatures to the pledge. Mrs. Davis is a welcome visitor at all of these places, and her work and words are much appreciated.

### ANTI-NARCOTICS.

Dear Sisters—I received only three reports for the quarter ending March 15. All County Superintendents of this department were sent supplies of report blanks, sufficient for three quarters, in February. I know much work is being done in the State. Will not each Anti Narcotic Superintendent endeavor to send me a report for the nine months ending June 15? If it is only to tell of a few signatures to the anti-narcotic pledge. Those reports, if sent in, might cause Indiana to be the Banner State in this most important department. I wish each local superintendent would send to Miss Palmer for the "Tobacco Laws of Indiana," which she furnishes in card form for twenty-five cents a dozen cards. Try to place these placards in public school corridors, in drug stores and all public places. So many of our boys try hard to overcome the tobacco habit only to fall, and fall again. We must help them by making it impossible to procure either cigarettes, cigarette paper or tobacco or our efforts will be futile; not because the boys want to continue smoking, but because the habit is too strong for their weakened will power. Let us work for the boys in the time of their greatest temptation, the long, idle summer days. Do help me to have a good report at the next State Convention. Remember that every little helps.

ELIZABETH SMITH.

1917 Highland Place, Indianapolis.

### MERCY.

I have not sent out report blanks quarterly this year, but will send them to each Superintendent the latter part of July, and trust there will be prompt returns from each. Enough time still remains to do much work, and let us each one try to improve it to the best of our ability. Remember the two prizes offered, and try to win them. You can win one at least if you try, and what a help that will be for next year's work. One dozen copies of "Black Beauty" for the most sermons preached on kindness to dumb animals, and six copies of "Dickey Downy" for the largest number of signatures to the Bird Pledge. If any one will send to me at once I will supply copies of the pledge. If names of ministers who will preach a sermon are sent to me I will mail them roll of leaflets as helps. Please try, dear sisters. You never know what you can do till you have tried, and every effort we put forth in behalf of humanity repays us a hundred fold in the thought of duty done.

"It is not the thing we do, dear,  
But the thing we leave undone,  
That gives us a bit of a heart ache  
At the setting of the sun."

So, if we have idled till now, let us up and be doing, and we may yet have a record we may be proud of at the close of this year. Write me for helps.

LOU E. RALL,  
State Superintendent.

### MEDAL CONTEST.

Mrs. Cora Steele, of Muncie, is our State Superintendent of Medal Contest Work. Medals and supplies should be ordered from her. Mrs. Steele reports the work as encouraging, and we hope to bring the contest banner to Indiana next fall. Too much cannot be said in regard to the value of these contests. They teach both speaker and hearer. Let us have a regular contest campaign during the next three months.

### PARLIAMENTARY USAGE.

The State Superintendent, Mrs. Hattie Brand, has a class of sixty-five members which she conducts by correspondence, sending out one lesson each month. A number of the students are in turn forming classes, and some are reporting most satisfactory results.

### WORK AMONG COLORED PEOPLE.

Miss Susan Clark, State Superintendent of Work Among Colored People, has published a leaflet entitled, "Some Facts About This Great Organization—An Appeal to Colored Women," which is very fine. We hope that all who feel interested in this department will supply themselves with these valuable leaflets and distribute them among the colored people. Send to Miss Susan Clark, 706 E. 11th street, Indianapolis, for sample copy. Remember that the blanks for Department Superintendents' reports are in the hands of the State Superintendents.

The Physician in charge of the Washingtonian Home, Boston, said he had patients all the time who were ginger-curse victims to alcoholism from the use of Jamaica ginger. Ginger requires the strongest alcohol to hold it in solution, and quickly destroys the tone of the stomach.



## ORGANIZATION NOTES.

"In union there is strength," and because united effort will most speedily bring victory over the rum curse, we are banded together in the great white ribbon army. The Department of Organization seeks to increase our numbers by building up old Unions and adding new ones.

Our conditions of membership are, signing the pledge and paying one dollar a year dues. No one can be counted a member who fails to do this. Let no one who was a member last year weaken the organization by dropping out now. The conflict was never more fierce, the prospect of success never more bright, and we urge every member to stand loyally by our standard.

The Greencastle Union is the largest in Indiana. Last year they paid for 22 members; now they are nearing 150. Greencastle is not a large town and conditions are not more favorable there than elsewhere, but our beloved ex-President, Mrs. McWhirter, lives there and has been a source of inspiration and help to the Union. As State President or as a local worker, her loyalty to the cause is the same.

Grant County has at last reached her long-sought goal and has 500 members. They will send their own delegate to the National convention. They have organized three new Unions since the State convention and we would not be surprised if they were now working toward a thousand members.

Dearborn County has also reported three new Unions. They are all large Unions and very promising. The talented County President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger, is giving much time to the work. She has been of great assistance to the State Superintendent of Organization in her effort to reach unorganized counties near Dearborn.

The following counties have reported new Unions since the State convention: Marion County, Y. at Indianapolis; St. Joseph County, Frances E. Willard Union at South Bend; Huntington County, a Union at Huntington and one at Markle; Randolph County, a Union at Farmland; Allen County, a Union near Hoagland, called Crescent Union; Grant County, Y. at Jonesboro and Unions at Linwood and Fowlerton; Dearborn County, Unions at Aurora, Lawrenceburg and Bright; Marshall County, a Union at Culver; Benton County, Y. at Oxford; Vigo County, a Union at Terre Haute.

Miss Carrie Lee Carter, a National organizer and lecturer, was in Indiana from May 15th to 28th. Her route was in the extreme southern part of the State. She was accompanied by your chairman of organization, and together we held meetings in Owensville, Princeton, Oakland City, Rockport, Petersburg, Loo-gootee, Salem, Osgood, Milan and Versailles. The meetings were well attended, good interest was manifested and in most of the places the results were gratifying. The Owensville Union, which numbered only five, was doubled in membership. Last year Princeton paid for four members. Through our meetings 25 active and 24 honorary members were secured. Five members were added to the Rockport Union and a large number of names given for membership in the towns where there were no Unions. Only one meeting was interfered with in any way. At Versailles a terrific rain and hail storm spoiled the meeting. A dozen people ventured out and we held a little meeting with them. Aside from these meetings we arranged to spend several hours in Washington and North Vernon, where our work seems practically dead. I called upon some of the old members and in each case came away somewhat encouraged. Also succeeded in seeing a number of our members at Jeffersonville. The conditions generally in the southern part of the State are most encouraging. Miss Carter is one of the younger National workers. She is well informed in our work, is a good speaker and gave satisfaction wherever she went. She will rejoice with Indiana if we come up to Mother National with a large gain in membership.

Miss Alice Palmer, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley and Mrs. S. M. Stahl were all working in the southern part of the State the latter part of May.

Miss Marie Brehm, President of Illinois, began a lecturing tour of Indiana, June 14. Her dates were as follows: Crown Point, June 14; Nappanee, June 15; North Manchester, June 16; Rochester, June 17; Kokomo, June 18; Muncie, June 19; Winchester, June 21; Decatur, June 22; Eaton, June 23; Auburn, June 24; Ashley, June 25; Logansport, June 27; LaFayette, June 28. From Indiana Miss Brehm went to Kentucky to attend a summer assembly.

A County President is chairman of organization for her county. Every organized county ought to add at least one Union each year until there are no towns in the county left to organize. Let "organization" be the motto for the month of July.

HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,  
State Chairman of Organization.

Public sentiment against the saloon is growing so rapidly throughout Indiana, and the entire United States, that the liquor men are beginning to "hedge." In some places they are closing on the Sabbath day, thinking in this way to stem the tide of public disapproval. We rejoice over every saloon so closed, but the tide will go rushing on until the saloon is swept away root and branch.

## OFFICIAL.

## I.

**The President of Vigo County, Mrs. Alice McDaniels**, has won the two dollars in cash, a prize for organizing a Union of ten paid-up members. Eleven women joined and eleven dollars were at once paid into the treasury, and the report, with State and county dues and correct list of the members, forwarded to the County Treasurer. It will be remembered that last year Mrs. McDaniels took a premium for neatness, completeness and accuracy in reporting her County Institute.

## II.

**Mrs. Rose Pearce** delivered the premium lecture before the Indianapolis East Side Union for a clear gain of ten paid-up members in one quarter. Two other Unions in the State came very near getting the required ten, but not quite. Huntington shows nine. They have an actual gain in membership of twenty-six within a year, but not quite ten in any one quarter.

## III.

**In regard to the gains in membership**, will the County Treasurers and Local Treasurers please study the explanation given in full by the Plan of Work Committee, as found in our Annual Report for 1901? Here is an example: "Try-Again" Union, in "Come-to-Stay" County, is organized the first quarter of 1902, Dec. 1, 1901, with 12 members. On the 16th of that month the new Treasurer sends the County Treasurer dues for ten members—eighty cents per member. Two have not yet paid. The second quarter the Treasurer collects from those two, and nine more have joined the Union, giving an actual membership of 21. March 16 this Union pays dues for eleven members to the County Treasurer, who always promptly forwards to the State. "Try-Again" Union is entitled to a premium lecture, although one of the original ten members has died and two have transferred to another Union. Their money was paid into your Union and has been sent to the State, and they are counted to the "Try-Again" Union. There is no other basis on which to compute, though you are actually left with but eighteen working members. Here is where your trial will come next year. Now, in the third quarter (June 16) you forward dues for four members and in September for seven. You are credited with a membership of forty-two and go up to the State convention with three delegates and your President. You return home greatly encouraged. You have a nice meeting of "Convention Echoes" and obtain ten new members, who pay dues on the spot, besides honoraries, but they cannot be counted for the State. You go about to collect from your ten charter members, but one is translated and two are paying in a neighboring State. Of the seven left, two say, "I don't see that you are doing much," and refuse or delay payment. You send the County Treasurer on Dec. 16, 1902, dues for fifteen members. This is an actual gain of ten members, but you paid for seven members in September, and the books of both County and State Treasurers will show that fifteen is not a gain of ten over seven. You would have had to gain twelve to earn the premium.

Beloved, if you had only paid for five members the last quarter of 1902, you would have won the prize lecture. But you would rather have those two living exponents of the principles of your Union, your additional delegate to the convention and the consciousness of the power of effort among yourselves, than all that the most eloquent prize lecture could do for you.

**"The reward of work is more work."** Sometimes a premium may be awarded as a kind of happy "good luck," the result of a combination of circumstances that no man could foresee, but as a general thing a premium is the result of honest effort, even though it cannot be given at another time where an even greater effort has been put forth. It is well for us to remember in such a case that the greatest prize given is that which the One who never misjudges will bestow when all earthly judgments are laid down.

**There is just one more quarter** of this year. Let us all try for a growth in membership that will win so many premiums that our force of available speakers shall be taxed from September 25th to December 15th.

## IV.

## INDIANA FREE-WILL OFFERING.

**When we have reached** the last analysis, the Indiana plan for procuring funds, State and local, to push our battle to the enemy's camp, is the sensible and Christian plan. "The silver and gold is mine," saith the Lord. It remains for us to exercise wisdom in applying it.

First. "Let him that lacketh wisdom ask of God who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not." That means us all. We want to push plans, but certainly we want them to be His plans. Hence the all day of prayer and praise and waiting before God.

Second. "Let each of you lay by him in store as he may prosper you." "Honor the Lord with thy substance." This does not mean alone your gift of money. If you have given your neighbor an opportunity to make a gift for His service, if you have won your neighbor to meet with you for a blessing and to bless another by his offering, you are honoring God.

**Each Local Treasurer** in the State will receive from the State Treasurer by the middle of this month (July) envelopes and calls to a consecration and thank-offering meeting. These the Treasurers are to

send out to members of the Unions and their friends, filled out with the time and place of meeting and any local information advisable. These meetings are to be held in August or within the first two weeks in September. The funds collected will be equally divided between State and Local Union treasuries, except in cases especially mentioned in plan of work for 1903.

**Presidents of Local Unions**, please appoint committees at once to co-operate with the Treasurer in making these meetings a success, and the God of all truth be with you.

**If your Union** requires more envelopes and circular letters than you receive, please apply promptly to

ALICE PALMER,  
398 Kentucky St., Franklin, Ind. State Treasurer.

## BATTLE GROUND W. C. T. U. DAYS—PROGRAM.

## JULY 22—AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Praise Service.
- 2:00. Organization of Summer Assembly Union.
- 2:30. Review of Frances E. Willard's Life—Mrs. Amanda Smith, President Benton County W. C. T. U.
- 2:45. Address—Rev. W. P. McKinsey.
- 3:15.

## EVENING.

- 7:30. Devotional—Mrs. Rev. W. E. McKenzie.
- Lecture—Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, or a State Officer.

## JULY 23—FORENOON.

- 9:00. Devotional.
- 9:15. W. C. T. U. Department of Work, led by Miss Clara Sears, State Superintendent Summer Assembly Work, Anderson.
- 10:00. Open Parliament.
- 11:00. L. T. L. Work—Mrs. K. T. A. Straw, La Fayette.

## AFTERNOON.

- 1:30. Devotional—Mrs. Newhouse, Battle Ground.
- 1:45. Address—Rev. Bowers, LaFayette.
- Address—W. H. Levering, LaFayette.
- 3:30. Address—Rev. Henry Ostrom, Greencastle.

"Wanted—Boys! Boys! Boys! for the Saloon!" is an excellent campaign leaflet. Send 10 cents for 100 to Mrs. Georgiana White, 1517 North Tejon Street, Colorado Springs, Col.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Mrs. Culla Vayhinger** will speak at Dillaboro, July 4.

**Brazil Union** does much work that counts in the great reform movement.

**The Mary F. Thomas Union** held its thirtieth anniversary meeting May 26.

**We regret** to know of the death of infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spoul, of Bedford.

**Monrovia Union** is doing excellent work. Mrs. Rhoda Wilhite is pushing the contest work.

**Wayne County** convention was held in May at headquarters of Frances E. Willard Union.

**Kokomo** has the wisdom to seek out the young girls and win them for definite, aggressive work.

**Mrs. Hattie Brand** will be one of the speakers at a Fourth of July celebration in Elkhart County.

**Franklin Union** has encouraged the good citizens to push the remonstrance work. Success has been achieved through the combined efforts of the good people.

**Lebanon W. C. T. U.** observed flower mission day, June 9th, distributing flowers with text cards to all the sick in the city and to Orphans' Home and County infirmary.

**Many of the members** are subscribers to the *Union Signal* and *American Mother*. Mrs. Florence Martin is always working for these important things as well as many others.

**Mr. C. E. Newlin**, prohibition State Chairman, will give a temperance address before the Bible School Conference of Western Yearly Meeting, to be held at Earlham College, Richmond, in July.

**A dozen copies** of the State Minutes will be sent to any one who will pay the express and use them to advantage. This offer is good as long as the Minutes last. Order of Mrs. Brand at once if you desire them.

**Mrs. A. T. Whitson**, as a member of the temperance committee of the Western Yearly Meeting of the Friends' Church, has sent out about 50,000 pages of strong temperance literature during the last month. As ye sow so shall ye also reap.

**Mrs. Clara Balch** will represent Kentucky in the Grand Diamond Contest at the National Convention. Mrs. Balch is following in the footsteps of Mother Balch and is devoting all her time to contest work.

**Hon. Oliver W. Stewart** gave the commencement address at Penn College, Oskaloosa, Iowa. He is engaged to give the temperance address at the Plainfield Yearly Meeting of Friends on the evening of September 21, temperance evening. He will also address the Indiana Yearly Meeting to be held in Marion in the early part of October.



**Mrs. Mary E. Evertson**, who is well known in Indiana, has returned from California and is now in Louisville. She has been made a State Organizer in Kentucky and is meeting with success. Indiana's loss is again Kentucky's gain.

**Indianapolis Palmer W. C. T. U.** observed Flower Mission Day at the State Women's Reformatory. A literary and musical program was given and 248 bouquets were distributed. Twenty members and several visitors constituted the delegation.

**Auburn Union** held an open meeting at the home of Mrs. Bertha Werrick. "The Doctor's Day Off" was given by the Union and music by the Hoosier Quartet. Refreshments were served to seventy invited guests, and a very enjoyable evening was spent by all.

**Sedalia Union** held a Flower Mission meeting at the home of Mrs. Sarah Magart, Superintendent of the Flower Mission, June 3. The room was tastefully decorated with house plants and roses. The program consisted of songs and select readings. Three beautiful bouquets were given.

**June 9** was observed by a committee from the Mary F. Thomas and Frances E. Willard Local Unions as annual Flower Mission Day. Lovely bouquets, with scripture texts attached, were given to each inmate of Old Ladies' Home, Home for the Friendless, City Hospital and County Jail.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** visited Willard Memorial Union, at Bath, May 23 and 24. She delivered two addresses, in the form of readings, in the M. E. Church. On Saturday evening her subject was: "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" and on Sunday morning, "At the Mercy of the State." A large and appreciative audience listened attentively to both lectures.

**On May 26 and 27** very interesting and instructive meetings were held by Miss Clara Sears under the auspices of Palmer Union. On Wednesday evening, May 27, a Y. of ten members was organized. Miss Retta Burroughs, President; Miss Edith Holliday, Vice-President; Clarice Metz, Recording Secretary; Cecil Toner, Corresponding Secretary; Daisy Ramsey Treasurer.

**Miss Marie C. Brehm** spoke on the evening of June 15, at Napanee, to a very appreciative audience. She also addressed about fifty ladies at a parlor meeting in the afternoon. As a result of her visit ten new members were added to our Union. The localities which have secured her services during this tour of our State are surely greatly favored, and those who miss hearing her will suffer great loss.

**Flower Mission Day** was appropriately observed by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. at Crown Point, Ind., by holding an all day's session at the home of Mrs. J. P. Merrill. One hundred and fifty bouquets of flowers were distributed among the sick and afflicted ones. Mrs. E. Mudge, our County President, of Hammond, gave an interesting talk in the afternoon. Much of the success of this meeting was due to Mrs. Merrill, who entertained so hospitably.

**Burlington W. C. T. U.** held a matron's contest for silver medal on the 16th inst. There was a class of 8, which did well. Mrs. Edith Johnson, wife of Dr. Johnson, of Burlington, was the winner of the medal. Ten cents admittance was charged and \$6.60 was taken at the door. We hope to have another in the near future. Success to the contest work and the MESSAGE. Our Union meets the first Thursday in each month. Anyone wishing to visit us is cordially welcome.

**Mrs. White**, of Broad Ripple, writes: "Our W. C. T. U. met at the country home of Sister Hessong for an all-day meeting. After partaking of a very sumptuous dinner the meeting was opened in due form. There were twelve members who responded to roll call and about twenty or twenty-five visitors. A very interesting meeting was held and we passed a day that will long be remembered by all who were there. The next meeting will be held at Broad Ripple Park, in the pavilion, with our President, Mrs. Kelso. A very delightful day is anticipated."

**At Roll, Purity Union** met in public session in the M. E. Church one evening recently. Woman Suffrage was the subject. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. Lillian B. Palmer, and was a decided success. Much interest was manifested. A complete program was carried out in full. An enjoyable feature of the program was the music rendered by the ladies' quartette. At the close of the meeting four men joined the Union. So you see our meeting was not in vain. I say hail to the day when women, knowing their rights, will dare maintain them.

**Mrs. Dr. Jones**, of New Albany, writes: We had with us last week Miss Alice Ruth Palmer, our State Treasurer. On Sunday, May 17th, she spoke for us at Y. M. C. A. hall. We enjoyed her helpful talk very much. Every one went away with more courage and determination to do more, rekindled by her sweet spirit. On May 20th, Mrs. S. M. Stahl spoke at Galena, adding 21 members, at New Albany 5 members. Our women felt she was a mighty woman wielding the power born of God. We feel our sisters have done much good in this part of the State.

**Auburn Union** held an open meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Warrick one evening recently. About 75 persons were present. Mrs. Lewis presided and a beautiful program was rendered. The musical numbers were fine and the Hoosier Quartette was especially appreciated. Recitations by lit-

tle Miss Florence Buss were enjoyed. This little lady won much praise for herself. The "Doctor's Day Off" was given by members of the W. C. T. U., much to the amusement and edification of those present. A social time followed and refreshments were served to all.

**Every member** of every Union cannot afford a year's subscription to the *American Mother* (\$1.00.) The publishers have, therefore, made a special mid-summer offer of six months for 25 cents to all new subscribers, and will send two yearly subscriptions free to any address who will secure ten trial subscriptions at the above rate. If every Union would circulate the *American Mother* this summer, as stated above, there would be a decided increase in attendance and interest in mothers' meetings when this important work is taken up after vacation. Send subscriptions to the American Mother Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

**Miss Susan Clark** says: "I will speak of a plan that we tried in our Union. If well carried out I think it good. I suggested that the Superintendents bring an envelope to each Union meeting. During the intervening time let every member cut out and preserve any article bearing upon our work which she might find in print and bring what she has gathered to the meeting. In two minutes every Superintendent can have in her possession what relates to her department. These clippings, carefully preserved in a scrapbook, will give each Superintendent a fund of knowledge and will become tools in her hands to work with."

**Greencastle Union** observed Flower Mission Day at the home of the much loved Superintendent of the Department, Mrs. Hattie Moore. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and plants. A very interesting program was rendered; at the close, a beautiful Flower Exercise was given by fifteen little girls wearing wreaths of flowers on their heads. After the collection, ice cream and cake was served to the company present. This Union is active in Evangelistic work, Jail and Prison and Flower Mission, besides doing much along the line of literature. At the poor farm, six meetings have been held, also several at the South Mission.

**Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Chaffee** have done much in the Flower Mission work. During this quarter they have distributed 100 growing plants and 200 bouquets. Have secured 200 signatures to the pledge; sent out seven pieces of furniture; taken thirty-five out riding, and spent seven hours reading to the sick.

Through the efforts of Mrs. Masten, the work in the Evangelistic Department is carried on faithfully. Miss Mattie Harleman, Superintendent of Jail and Prison, has held eleven evangelistic services the past quarter. About seventeen men have heard the gospel message. Some have signified their desire for better things and have promised to try to attain to better lives. Two Sundays during the past quarter the jail has been empty; a very unusual occurrence in Putnam County. Our needs are many and we need the prayers and help of the whole Union.

**The Eunice Wilson Union**, of Upland, enjoyed a delightful outing at the home of Miss Jennie McVicker, June 11. It being the regular meeting day, a very interesting program was rendered, after which, we were permitted to partake of a most sumptuous feast spread for us by our hostess. It was a great pleasure to meet in the home of this sister and her dear old mother and their kindness will not soon be forgotten. The Union recently sent fifty yards of carpet to Hadley Industrial School. We are delighted to have Mrs. Outland, County President of Howard County, with us in our work. She has already been a great blessing to our Union.

**North Kokomo Loyal Temperance Legion** held a silver medal contest on the evening of June 9, in connection with a Flower Mission service held in honor of the birthday of Jennie Casseday. Because of various and unforeseen hindrances only four contestants were present, but they did well indeed. There has been no contest work done in Kokomo for years, and we are glad to notice an interested awakening along this line as the result of our little contest. The contestants were Lloyd Thomas, Lewis Terrell, Kenyon Gregg and Frank Logan. The medal was won by Frank Logan. The L. T. L. book was used in selecting the pieces. We are expecting to hold other contests during the summer.

**The W. C. T. U.** of Bedford celebrated its annual Flower Mission day, June 14, by visiting the county asylum, where they were kindly welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Dodd in their usual hospitable manner. A short service of Bible reading, gospel songs and prayer was conducted by Mrs. Wm. Holcombe. A social half hour followed, where each one was taken by the hand and words of loving cheer given them, leaving little tokens of flowers, literature and scripture cards tied with our badge, a bow of white ribbon, with each one. Miss Adie Smith, of Campbellsburg, solicitor for Hadley Industrial School, was in the city and kindly assisted. We are sure all who were present realized the truth of the Savior's words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive, and inasmuch as you do it unto the least of my little ones, you do it unto me."

**The Union Signal** is making a very special offer which interests all our readers. The paper will be sent from the time your subscription is received until November 26 for fifty cents. This includes the convention number this fall, which will be by far the best number ever issued. Send your subscription at

once and read about the World's Convention in Geneva, Switzerland. Every Union in the United States which, under this offer, brings its subscription list up equal to its membership will be listed, with its President, in a Roll of Honor in the *Union Signal*. We hope many Unions in our State will be on the roll to greet Mrs. Stevens, our National President and Editor-in-Chief of the *Union Signal*, when she returns from Europe, July 1. Of course you know of this offer, for it has been sent to the president of every Union in our State.

**Friday evening, June 12**, under the auspices of the Indianapolis Mapleton Union, seven of the High School students participated in a very interesting silver medal contest. The members of the class acquitted themselves well and merited the enthusiastic applause given them. The musical numbers by the McDermid brothers, the duets by Miss Jocelyn and Mr. Wells, and the solo by Mr. Wells were well rendered and greatly enjoyed. While the judges were out, Miss Maud Baker, of the Blood's School of Oratory, Chicago, who had trained the class, recited, "That Brown Baby" with very fine effect. A loud and prolonged applause brought her back to the platform, when she gave "I Won't Cry Any More." The continued applause showed how very much the audience appreciated the recitals. By decision of the judges Miss Florence Moates was awarded the medal. The door receipts were fine. Many people pronounced this the best contest yet held.

**At Howell** was held the County Institute, in April, with Miss Palmer present. On the Sabbath she spoke in the G. B. Church in the morning and the M. E. Church at night to a full house. The Institute was held on Monday, with a fair attendance. We feel as though good was accomplished. Four new members were added to the Union. The Loyal Legion, with seventy-five members enrolled, is doing fine. It meets every Sabbath afternoon. We have held six contests since March, the following persons receiving medals: Helen Gymer, Golden Gymer, Flora Sutter, Clyde Burns, Leslie Brown, Elsie Barrett. These will soon form a class for a gold contest. The Union has decided to pay for a window in the M. E. Church in memory of Frances Willard. The Senior and Junior Legion each has a window in the church, and paid for; also one in the G. B. Church. Mrs. Asbury Cox, one of the W. C. T. U. members, has secured a nice list of subscribers for the *Phalanx*. We expect to have Mrs. Balch with us June 29th.

**Two applications** for saloon license at Thorn town were defeated in the Boone County Commissioners' Court recently. Something like four hundred citizens of Thorntown and Sugar Creek Township went over to serve as witnesses and to attend the trial. Most of the delegation went on morning train. Both day coaches were crowded to their utmost capacity, every foot of standing room being taken. The baggage coach was also used to accommodate the passengers, and it also was crowded. Two ministers, Rev. A. H. DeLong, pastor of the Methodist Church, and Rev. U. L. Montgomery, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of Thorntown, rode in the engine cab. Quite a number of people could not even find standing room in the coaches, and were forced to wait for the afternoon train. Many people made the trip overland in vehicles of every description. It was the largest delegation that has ever appeared in the Commissioners' Court. It was an enthusiastic crowd, confident of victory in its fight against the saloon. The court room was crowded to the doors, and when the announcement was made that the remonstrance had been sustained and that the applicants were barred from making application for license in Thorntown for two years the whole audience arose and sang the doxology.

**Each meeting** of the Indianapolis Mapleton Union increases in interest and attendance. The last meeting was held May 22 at Mrs. Dr. Magel's, 3311 North Capitol avenue, and was a great inspiration to all present. The double parlors were well filled with members and visitors. Rev. Beck, of the Mapleton M. E. Church, conducted the devotionals, Mrs. Waddle, of the Friends' Church, offering prayer. A piano solo by Miss Jordan and a vocal solo, "The Holy City," by Miss Irene Thompson, were well rendered and highly appreciated. Rev. Hannah Pratt Jessup, of the Friends' Church, presented the subject, "Sunday Picnics and Their Attendant Evils," and Rev. C. E. Foreman, of the Grace Presbyterian Church, "The Sunday Drug Business." Both presentations were excellent, showed deep thought and earnestness, and were listened to with deep interest. The discussions following each presentation were animated and very helpful, nearly every one present taking part in them. The presence and helpfulness of several young girls and one boy called forth many compliments from our visitors. We love to have them come. Their bright active lives affect our own. Mr. Will Beck and Mrs. Josie (Lewis) Jones favored us with some beautiful solos, which were very appropriate for the occasion. Cream and cake were served by our genial hostess during the social hour. Although it was a busy time of the year, no one regrets the laying aside of work and attending this meeting.

The Fort Worth Brewing Company fears to stay in Texas because of the advance of temperance. A Paris, Texas, dealer offers to sell his interest in a whisky business which has no rivalry within 290 miles from north to south or for 80 miles from east to west.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## FROM STATE PRESIDENT.

The year of 1903 has been one of vigorous campaign and self denial of the members of the different temperance organizations. But looking over the field from a human standpoint, one might conclude that our enemy is gaining ground. To an organization like our own, born of faith and prayer, with God as leader, the safety of the home our watch-word, down with the saloon our battle-cry, defeat is not to be considered. Reforms are not born in a day, neither do they grow up in a night. It takes the slow, persistent effort of a dauntless spirit to bring about results that count for anything.

I do not know what disaster may be permitted to come upon us as a nation before her people shall arise in their might and divorce her from the saloon, or how the church can be awakened out of sleep, or how or what will be needed to electrify the W. C. T. U. to greater energy, but it must and will be brought about.

So much depends upon our individual faithfulness that I feel sure each one of you will try very hard to give your best to the cause so near your heart. So long as the liquor dealers' associations resolve that the W. C. T. U. is their avowed enemy and one to be feared, we should take courage and "press the battle to the gate."

I am still hopeful that our State will make good gains this year if we each one enter the contest for new members.

Let each Local Treasurer see to it that dues are collected on time and forwarded to the State Treasurer before the books are closed. The loss of but one member in each Local Union would be an incalculable one to the State.

Let each Local President keep her forces together and the good and faithful work done well reported. Then I feel sure that He that sees a sparrow fall will help us direct each effort aright.

Then, when we meet in our annual convention next October in the beautiful little city of Hartford and gain new enthusiasm by the heroism of so small a county to undertake at this late date to entertain our State Convention, I know it must make us feel that whatever needs to be done we can and will do it.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

**Election of Officers**—According to the local constitution in the State Minutes, officers of Local Unions should be elected the first or second week in September. This should be prior to the County Convention. We trust that no county will fail to hold its convention and election of officers prior to the State Convention, and that both Local and County Unions will immediately send the names of the Officers and Superintendents to the State Corresponding Secretary. The directory for 1904 ought to be complete before the State Convention convenes.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Please send the names of the members of your Y who are ready, either for a grand gold or diamond medal, as your State Y Secretary is arranging for her program on Y night, Saturday, at Hartford City.

It was the pleasure of your Y Secretary to visit the Mary Hadley Y at Terre Haute the 23d of June, returning home on the 27th. The four days were most delightful, and if any lack enthusiasm we would advise you to visit this Y and catch the spirit they have. On Friday afternoon we held the most delightful meeting with the colored Y's and believe they have a bright future. Let us remember those consecrated young men and women in our prayers.

To the Local Treasurers. Collect dues. Begin now, because many of our girls, if their attention was called to the fact that their dues must be paid by the 15th of September, could meet their obligation. The

United States received the world's Y banner for having the largest gain of paid members over any other country, so let us do all we can to keep it in our country.

Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright was elected World's Y Secretary. Our beloved Mrs. Frances Y. Barnes' health was too poor to serve us longer.

Girls, plan to go to the National W. C. T. U. convention at Cincinnati, Ohio, in November. It will help you to be a better worker.

The new Indianapolis Y is doing well and very encouraging reports come from the other Unions. Again I urge you to work and pray. Let this be our very best year.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y Secretary.

## THE MILLENNIUM NOT HERE.

Notwithstanding the assertion that this is the "woman's age"—and it probably is by comparison—we have yet a long way to go before we find our millennium. We still receive far less compensation than men for the same work; we are not permitted a voice in making the laws that affect the welfare of our families; and in the church itself matters are not much better. In the great Christian Endeavor Society, which claims over 4,000,000 members, and has its organizations in every country on the globe, women, young and old, form two-thirds of this mighty host; but they have no official voice in the administration of its affairs. In fact, the sex is scarcely recognized in the roll of 150 trustees representing the various churches and organizations of which it is composed.—*Exchange.*

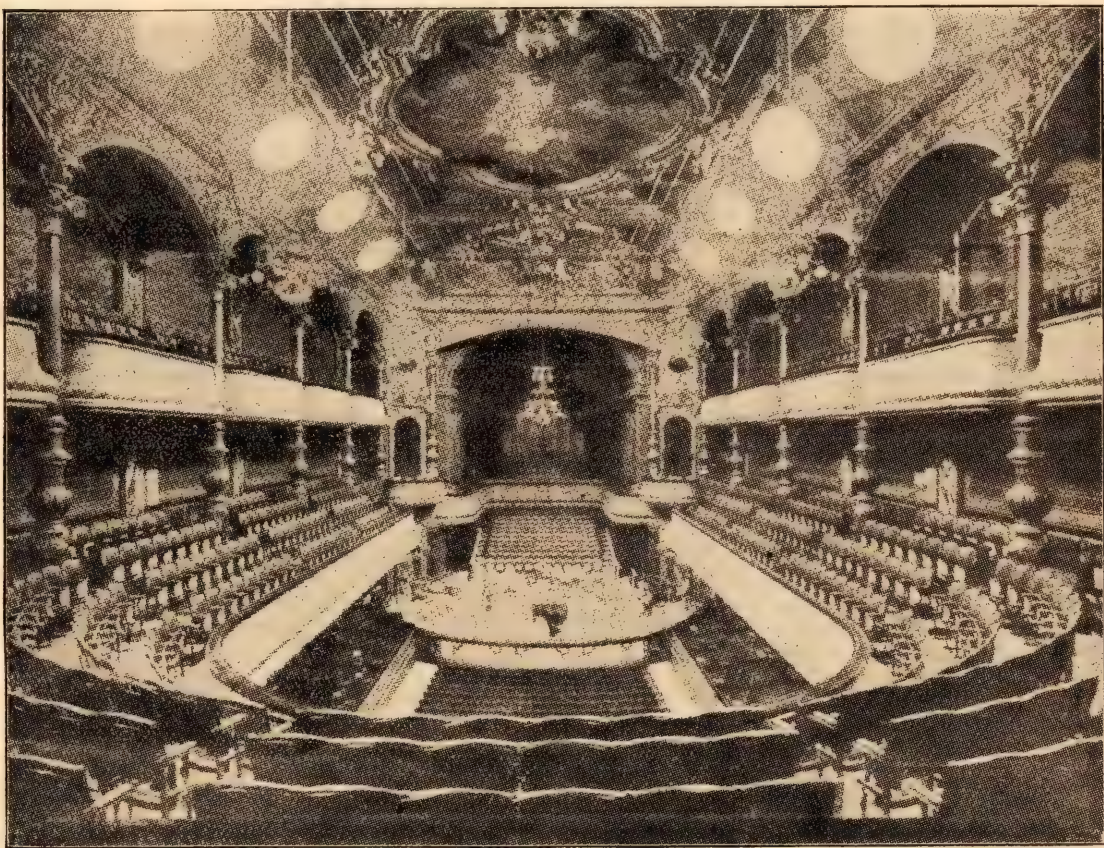
## INVOKING THE PRESS.

At the annual State convention of the W. C. T. U. Superintendents and Organizers at Muncie, Indiana, Miss Laura G. Cammack, speaking on "The Press," said that if the Woman's Christian Temperance Union expects to win a victory over the liquor interests or to advance its own cause, it will be only through an alliance with the newspapers, which, Miss Cammack declared, "are the most powerful influence in existence upon the public mind."—*American Press.*

Lady Henry Somerset felt it necessary to resign the leadership of the British White Ribbon Host if she acceded to the wishes of the world's W. C. T. U. workers to serve as the World's President. The Countess of Carlisle, Naworth Castle, Carlisle, England, a valiant, earnest temperance worker, has been chosen as Lady Henry's successor. Success to our English sister organization.

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VICTORIA HALL, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, WHERE WORLD'S CONVENTION WAS HELD.



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The MESSAGE readers of this issue are introduced to Miss Pearl Rall, our State Superintendent of Franchise, not only to greet her sweet young face, but to be interested and enlightened by her splendid ability as editor of this Supplement. Miss Rall is the only daughter of our Mrs. Lou Rall and our friend, Mr. Rall, of Huntington. She has been reared in a W. C. T. U. home, with unusual opportunity for culture and refinement. For years Mrs. Rall has been officially connected with our State organization as Superintendent of the Mercy Department and as President of Huntington County. Miss Rall has rare qualifications of mind and heart. To a good education she has added a *pro merito* degree from the Indianapolis Law School, being the only lady in the graduating class. Her scholarly attainments and energetic enthusiasm are enlisted for God and home and every land.

### CALL.

The annual convention of the Indiana Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Hartford City, Grace M. E. church, corner Washington and Walnut streets, October 16 to 20, inclusive, 1903.

EUNICE P. WILSON,  
President.

### CINCINNATI, NOVEMBER 13-18.

Many hundreds of Indiana temperance people will attend our National W. C. T. U. convention at Cincinnati, November 13-18. The railroads are expected to announce very low rates from Indiana points to Cincinnati. Now is the time to make your plans to take advantage of this rare opportunity of attending a great National Convention.

### NEWSPAPERS.

To be informed upon the needs of the temperance cause a man must read a temperance paper. If you really want your husband, sons and brothers to be interested in temperance, subscribe for our State or National paper for them. The *Patriot Phalanx* is ably edited and will wonderfully interest every man who has not too deep-seated prejudices. Send for it. Address, Mr. Wm. F. Clark, 119 W. Maryland St., Indianapolis.

For our National Prohibition organ, *The New Voice*, send subscriptions to the New Voice Publishing Co., Hyde Park, Chicago, Ill.

Every White Ribboner should read the *Union Signal*. You simply cannot afford to be without it. In your home you need the influence it will bring. For 2 or 2½ cents a week you cannot do without it.

Of course we all take so many papers, magazines, etc., almost every one of which contain liquor and tobacco advertisements. Even root beer ads. get into our church papers.

For the young women and young men of your home, temperance newspapers are greatly needed if you expect them to be fortified with temperance information.

### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Cannot Indiana have 20,000 Sabbath Observance pledges distributed and signed this year? Several cities and towns have already made an excellent start. Many good reports come from the districts visited by our faithful and energetic Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie W. Brand, who never fails to urge the department work of the W. C. T. U. Greencastle Union will district the city and distribute Sabbath Observance literature from door to door. Their most excellent plan is to make several distributions and to use a different leaflet each time. Central Union, of Indianapolis, has had 10,000 pledges printed for distribution in the eighth ward.

The wise plans of these women must be fruitful in results and other Unions, we know, will catch the inspiration to move forward and advance the much needed Sabbath Observance work. Is your Union in line with this advanced movement?

South Bend.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

### THE PRESS.

Indiana stands a fair chance of winning the "Press Star" again if all Unions will promptly report all work done. Every report should be in by September 15, Local Presidents, if you do not have a Superintendent, will you please gather up reports of press work done by your Union and send in to me. I am so anxious for information concerning all the work done.

MISS LAURA GENEVA CAMMACK,  
Converse, Ind.

### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

The time is now ripe for the beginning of the harvest, and as soon as a Superintendent's eyes fall upon this article, let her begin to cast about her for the work done in her locality and get it in hand ready for the County Superintendent, and let every County Superintendent hastily compile her report and send it on to the State, and now, dear State Superintendents, the constitution says reports shall be in the care of the Recording Secretary five days before State convention. Now five days is not enough to have advance sheets printed, which we hope to have this year. So send in your report as soon after the 15th of September as possible.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON,  
State Recording Secretary.

During a recent meeting of bankers at Topeka, Kan., Captain Joe Waters said: "Between the business exactions of great employers and the prohibitory law, I care not which or both, or when or where or whom, the habit of drinking whiskey in Kansas has been degraded. When a man on tip-toes goes after dark, down a dark alley, in a stable, closes the door, locks it, put the key in his pocket, then moseys up the ladder, pulls the ladder up after him, closes the trap door, goes to the darkest corner of the hay mow and takes his nip from behind a pile of hay, education beyond the kindergarten period or primary class has got its work in on that man."



MRS. ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

### IF WOMEN COULD VOTE, WOULD CONDITIONS CHANGE?

The above question seems to be the only thing in way of the immediate enfranchisement of women, at least that is what they tell us, but the truth is that if the politicians of this country were perfectly sure that conditions would remain the same and ballots could still be bought and sold, like misfit garments at a

rummage sale, they would at once grant us the ballot. We are sure they want somebody to share the responsibility for the crime and lawlessness and corruption in high places, and anarchy in low places, that threatens our national life to-day, and they realize that no woman has figured in this business which heretofore has been considered the exclusive right of man, yet they fully realize that with the ballot in woman's hand the day of machine politics and rum-soaked politicians is at an end. They say we are not to be trusted; by this they mean that they cannot depend on us to swallow a whole gin mill in order to carry a few good men into lucrative positions.

The history of Colorado and every other State and nation where women have full suffrage fills their souls with terror, for even now many politicians, minus the rare quality of patriotism to fit them for service, are out of a job and have nothing better in sight than to deal out beer and boodle in an effort to purchase places for their friends who follow after. It is this class of officials (?) who declare woman's enfranchisement a failure.

I happened to be in Denver on the eve of election during the campaign of 1900, and there I saw for the first time the practical workings of equal suffrage, and I am glad to say that I found the homes of Colorado all standing and to all appearances they were objects of just as much love and care as the homes of Indiana or any other slave State. I saw the candidates of the various parties in church and Sunday School, and the gallant manhood of that proud young commonwealth out for drives and social outings with their lady friends and I failed to see that woman's broader sphere had in any way lowered man's respect and admiration and love for her—indeed, she held a higher place on the plane of his intellectual reverence, for he realized that her opinions were worth something and her convictions will regulate her ballot on election day and she dare not be ignored.

I also failed to find loafers and bums on the streets of Denver; and on the eve of the battle when all the saloons of Indiana, New York and the rest were given over to political caucuses, the citizens of Denver were holding a social in their great city hall and the various candidates were present, making pledges to the people of loyalty and fidelity in regard to enforcement of law in the event of their elections. A lady of Denver, who had been many years connected with city schools, said to me, "Some of our women, like the men, are too busy to vote to-day, but the very fact that they have the ballot is a safe-guard to clean citizenship in our State, for politicians of all parties know better than to pad a ticket on any sort of a platform with corrupt men. They know their candidates must be acceptable to the women."

The brightest omen of victory I see now lies in the fact that good men everywhere realize the impending perils of our civilization, and they are ready for the enfranchisement of intelligence in this country, regardless of sex. Let us try a crusade for a restricted ballot. I believe too many people vote already, but let us draw the line on character and intelligence, instead of sex. And again, we would recommend a uniform federal franchise law in this country that would forbid anybody voting upon our shores until he has been duly naturalized, after a residence of at least five years under the flag. Then let naturalization depend on his reverence for that flag and intellectual attainments in regard to our republican institutions. Make the ballot something to strive for, a badge of honor from the State, and above all disfranchise every man who would offer to buy or sell a vote. This done, the day of our redemption draweth nigh. If our own boys must live twenty-one years in America and spend fifteen years in school before they can be trusted with the ballot, it is the climax of injustice to match their intelligence and patriotism against the ignorant horde of southern Europe, that swarm like flies around the foul pool of beer and boodle used to purchase votes in every election.

We will never get prohibition until we get good men everywhere up to this standard of justice, and the sooner we face the problem and win, the sooner will dawn the glad day of universal peace and sobriety and prohibition for which we pray. On to victory.

ELIZABETH T. STANLEY.

**Get your reports ready.** We know that much good department work has been done this year, and we urge every Local President to look after the reports of her Union, and every Local Superintendent to finish up the work of the year and send her report to the County or State Superintendent promptly. Remember each State Superintendent sends out her own blanks. If you do not receive one, write early, that there may be no delay. If you want Indiana to have the best report for the department you are interested in and have been working for, don't fail to report what you have done.

**The State Convention** will be held this year at Hartford City, Blackford County, October 16-20. It promises to be one of the most enthusiastic conventions we ever had, for it will mark the close of a year during which the temperance cause in Indiana has made great advances, and the beginning of a year of great opportunities. We trust that each Union in the State will send its full quota of delegates—the Local President, one delegate-at-large and one delegate for every twenty paid members. The President of Blackford County, Mrs. E. A. Willis, together with her co-workers, is busily at work planning for our comfort and pleasure.



INDIANAPOLIS, IND., AUGUST, 1903.

## INTRODUCTORY LETTER.

When we look about us in this beautiful yet curiously awry world of ours and think of all there is to be done to improve conditions, not looking for perfection even, and then sense our own only too small power to help to bring about those conditions most desirable, we are abashed and feel it is scarce worth while to try. The situation looks so hopeless; the tangled ends lie matted; the pattern seems beyond restoration.

But we know, when we look at the past and note that conditions have, to a great extent, brightened; that numerous wrongs are gradually being righted; that some one's great love and sympathy for the human race has set each idea in motion, has given of his best life blood for the truth, and dying, left the praise and pleasure of victory, mayhap, to others. These are nature's true nobility.

I scarce need to mention the numberless grand souls whose lives and thoughts, to a degree, lie open that our wondering, admiring eyes may read. These lives of real men and women are far more fascinating than any work of fiction, and give us all strength and comfort. And, while we may not all be able to leave as great names or as wonderful records, we may at least do the little things that lie about us. Who knows but that the finer clay may be there discovered? If not, it may said she hath done the best she knew.

The greatest discovery of any time is the discovery of woman by herself. Woman is generally beginning to awaken to a sense of her true womanself—that she is not properly the pedestalled creature of the past. She hath taken sterner, more womanly duties upon her, sharing in the world's work, the world's hopes and fears. To day she is becoming aware of her new hope, enfranchisement, and senses its not far distant fruition. Indeed, there is strong reason for the hope that is within her. "He who runs may read." Woman's broader sphere and her ability to fill it with grace and honor is being recognized daily. It has been said you may read the history of a nation in its words. Such is the case, as, undoubtedly, even words show the direction modern thought is taking. Professional women are no longer distinguished from professional men by a suffix, and a great many examples might show this tendency. Speaking of language, I have no doubt that much misunderstanding has arisen because the masculine word "man" has been used in speaking of both men and women collectively, there being no general word exactly designating such a group. Much trouble has arisen out of the use of this word, and a distorted idea of it by narrow minds. I, for one, object to the idea of antagonism frequently set forth. No such idea was in the minds of those first using the word. But this wrong interpretation is giving way to a higher and nobler one, and we stand on the threshold of an era, the which there has been no equal. Let us step forward and hasten the glad day.

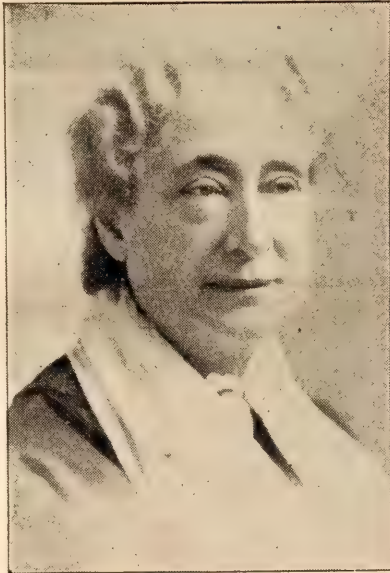
In conclusion, let me add that in sending forth this little paper I am not expecting to give the great tide of public thought a marvelous, far-reaching impetus, but merely to greet you and ask that you keep the ball of thought rolling for the uplifting of womanhood, the broadening of humanity. I will doubtless say things you have seen and read and heard oftentimes. It is rather difficult to be original about a subject upon which so many able minds have expressed an opinion. It were quite impossible to secure productions you had never seen, and after all, a good opinion, well expressed, improves with age and re-reading, just as we read, and re-read some books and find pleasure and profit in each perusal. He who in giving a thought awakens one or more new ideas or combinations of ideas has not spoken in vain. And if I do this much, and you pass these ideas along, I shall count this edition highly successful—beyond my highest expectations.

PEARL RALL,  
State Supt. of Franchise.

Huntington, Ind.

The experience we have had in Colorado ought to demonstrate to every one that woman suffrage is not only right but practical. It tends to elevate. There is not a caucus but is better attended, and by better people, and held in a better place. I have seen the time when a political convention without a disturbance and the drawing of weapons was rare. That time is past in Colorado, and it is due to the presence of women. Every man now shows that civility which makes him take off his hat and not swear, and deport himself decently when ladies are present. Instead of women's going to the polls corrupting women, it has purified the polls.—*U. S. Representative Shafroth.*

The improvement that women's presence has made in the localities of primary meetings and polling booths is characteristic of western chivalry. In many precincts where formerly they were held in stables or drinking saloons, primaries are now convened in home parlors, and polling booths are arranged in respectable buildings, and voting is invariably conducted with decorum.—*Mrs. Susan M. Hall, Denver, Col.*



MRS. ZERELDA WALLACE.

## ZERELDA WALLACE.

Not only among Indians does Zerelda Wallace take her place among the noted, but with the world's noblest and best.

In Millersburg, Kentucky, on August 6, 1817, this gentle spirit first had being, and while little is to be learned of her parentage aside from the fact that her father, Dr. Saunders, was a prominent physician of Indianapolis, it is safe to conclude that it must have been of the finest extraction.

Her father removed to Indianapolis in 1830, while she was yet a slip of a maiden. A good practical education was given her, fitting her to assume the prominence which was to be hers later in life. Possessing rare grace of mind and manner, she became the helpful wife of David Wallace, then Lieutenant Governor of the State, and later the Governor. He proved one of the State's greatest chief executives. Although but nineteen years old, she assumed the responsibility of rearing and training three lads, the sons of her husband by a former marriage, and an ideal companion she made. From her father she inherited a great love for books and literature, and, while eminently fitted for leadership in the gay society circles of the capital, she preferred rather to devote her time to her family. She was a most devoted mother, sharing with them the richness of a fine intellect, studying the books they studied. In fact, she completed law with them, interested in the things which interested them, in all things one of them, thereby winning a deathless love and admiration. Her step son, Gen. Lew Wallace, has made for himself a noble name and left the highest tribute to her beautiful character in Ben-Hur's mother, one of the sweetest and noblest types of motherhood in life or fiction.

Her union with Gov. Wallace brought her into close contact with the brightest and most distinguished minds in the State, and she imbibed a wide knowledge on all the great questions of the day—religious, political, social and scientific. Being a fine conversationalist, her company was delightful to all who knew her, and evidenced the broadness and liberality of a great mind.

She was of a deeply religious nature, and in 1833 she became a charter member of the first Christian or Disciple Church established in Indianapolis, remaining a devoted member to the time of her death.

Up to 1874 her life was of a more or less retired character, but with the organization of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in September of that year Mrs. Wallace stepped before the public as the moving spirit and its first president. For seven years she retained the presidency, organizing and inspiring her comrades, then but untrained workers with little or no financial backing. By her judicial and sweet motherly character she received the name of "Deborah" of the State Union. Under her leadership to a great extent its thought was guided by her matchless brain, and her heart beats measured its pulse, and when she laid down the gavel she left it in healthy growth and action. While not an advocate of equal suffrage at the opening of her temperance work, she learned the lesson that all such workers must learn sooner or later, that without the ballot woman's effort is almost futile. While the constant dropping of water on a stone may wear it away, it is a long and tedious process and exceedingly trying on the nerves. She served as president of the Equal Suffrage Association for a time and became one of the ablest champions of its cause.

Having a talent as a lecturer, by her keen logic she won many politicians and statesmen of the country to the cause of temperance and equality of the sexes. Of her conversion to the latter view it is told that, believing that woman's voice and hand ruled the

world—that pretty little blind so long held out by man to his sister, that she had occasion to test his chivalry and have her ideals shattered. The petition which she had labored for she was shocked to find crushed in the legislative waste basket much besmirched with the juice of the filthy weed. Such treatment worked a speedy turn of thought.

For several years she lectured extensively in many States in the Union on topics of social reform, and during this time gave much time and thought to equal suffrage, pleading earnestly for its adoption. Unmoved by public opinion, she held to her course, strong in her sense of right, waging "her peaceful battle with the eloquence of a Phillips, the resolution of a Sherman, and the suavity of a Sumner."

She was the first to introduce a resolution in the W. C. T. U. convention favoring giving the ballot to women; also a resolution against the use of fermented wine at the communion table.

On March 19, 1901, she was called to the other shore to take up a higher work, full of honors, full of years. This message she sent to the sisters on June 19, 1896:

"We all should rejoice at the advance and the present outlook for woman's progress, as it means human progress. Her freedom lies at the base of all true racial growth and development. If it be true, as Gladstone and many other wise men have said, that America is become the world's educator in free institutions, it is time the ballot should be put in the hands of all citizens without regard to sex limitations. Let it be the determined and persistent purpose of all women to work to this end."

This language is unequivocal. Her position was pronounced, as is that of nearly every great mind, in favor of the whole equality.

Again she has said: "The moral forces of the race are in the hands of the women; the lack of moral force is what makes weakness in government. Your first great duty as good citizens is to govern yourselves. Women are born governors by virtue of their motherhood."

Not without humor does she comment on the common objection that "politics are too dirty for women to mingle in."

"But this is no argument against woman suffrage; it is one against male suffrage. Men have always had control of politics; if they allowed them to become dirty it is time women came to the rescue and cleaned things up; just the work in which they are adepts."

Right to the point is the following: "Consider the developing power of the ballot; look at the men of this nation—descended from a long line of voting ancestry; the world shows no nobler specimens of mankind. Compare them with the thousands landed every month at Castle Garden, coming from the disfranchised classes of Europe, and you can form some idea of the developing power of suffrage. You cannot develop a slave. Development comes only with freedom, and keeps pace with it. Our wildest dreams have not pictured what God intends to do for this nation when all its people, instead of half of them, are really free."

To read and ponder over these lines, then look at that calm, cultured face, the silver hair rippling back from a broad noble forehead, and then condemn them as the "wild dream of a crank" is rankst folly. Mother Wallace, as she has been lovingly denominated, was, above all things, womanly and generous, yet keen and highly and truly patriotic.

## WYOMING SPEAKS FOR HERSELF.

The Wyoming House of Representatives of 1893, just before adjournment, passed by a unanimous vote the following concurrent resolution:

*Be it resolved by the Second Legislature of the State of Wyoming, That the possession and exercise of suffrage by the women in Wyoming for the past quarter of a century has wrought no harm and has done great good in many ways; that it has largely aided in banishing crime, pauperism and vice from the State, and that without any violent or oppressive legislation; that it has secured a peaceful and orderly elections, good government and a remarkable degree of civilization and public order; and we point with pride to the facts that after nearly twenty-five years of woman suffrage not one county in Wyoming has a poor-house, that our jails are almost empty, and crime, except that committed by strangers in the State, almost unknown; and as a result of experience we urge every civilized community on earth to enfranchise its women without delay.*

*Resolved, That an authenticated copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Governor of the State to the Legislature of every State and Territory in this country, and to every legislative body in the world; and that we request the press throughout the civilized world to call the attention of their readers to these resolutions.*

The advocates of woman suffrage have often publicly challenged its opponents to find two persons in all Wyoming who will assert over their own names and addresses that woman suffrage there has had any bad results. The opponents have failed to respond.



### THE VINE THEORY DISPROVED.

My husband is very fond of beans, and as I was out one day putting up the poles I thought how often he had compared women to vines and men to the supports on which they climb. As he is very fond of poetry, too, and the next day was our wedding anniversary, I thought how nice it would be to surprise him with a pretty little poem about it. But I want to tell you what trouble I got into before I finished. Here is what I wrote:

As the vine unto the tree is,  
So unto the man is woman;  
He the strength which doth support her,  
She the beauty which adorns him.

In the gentle blushing springtime,  
See the tender vine uprising  
From the warm, protecting bosom  
Of the earth, her gentle mother.  
Timidly she rises upward—  
Suddenly she feels her weakness,  
Throws aloft her clinging tendrils,  
Stretches out her tiny fingers,  
Till she finds some sturdy oak tree,  
And her gentle arms entwine it.

Now, here came my first difficulty. I was writing to please John, and of course I had us in my mind all the time, and you cannot imagine how funny and shocking it seemed when I began to tell about John standing there like a tree, and of my going to him first and stretching out my arms instead of—well—it was so funny that I laughed till the tears rolled down my cheeks. But I never saw a tree go out of its way after a vine, so I had to let it go.

Straightway then she rises upwards,  
Seeks the heights he has attained to.  
In a few short weeks she reaches  
Heights he has been years in gaining.  
Twines about his topmost branches—  
Throws her long clinging tendrils;  
Finds—that her support has failed her;  
Finds—that if she mounts still higher  
She must leave him far behind her.  
Then, with gentle woman's pity,  
Seeing that he cannot follow,  
Leaves the goal of her ambition  
Unattained, and backward turning,  
Falls again to seek his level.

I did not like the sound of those last lines, but they were true of the vine, and I couldn't help it. So I thought I would make up for them by some really pretty lines about him supporting her in the rude blast of affliction. There was a strong wind blowing about this time, so I thought I would go out and look at the bean vines, and the poles would figure as the trees, and perhaps I could get an inspiration from them. There were two rows, one in which the vines were twined all about the poles, and another in which the poles had just been set out and the vines had not yet begun to cling. Well they were struggling beautifully with the wind, and the harder it blew the tighter the vines seemed to cling to the poles, and I had just begun to feel the inspiration creeping over me when there came a sudden gust of wind and blew over every single one of the poles which didn't have vines on them and left the others standing as straight as ever. They had spoiled it all, for, after that, no matter how I looked at them, those vines always would seem to be holding up the poles instead of the poles holding up the vines. I went into the house disgusted, and made up my mind that there was no use in trying to write a poem about it, and that there must be something wrong with the vine theory, though I wouldn't have John know it for the world; he is so fond of it, you know, and I don't suppose I should ever have discovered it if I hadn't tried to write a poem about it.

—Arabella Smith, in *Contest Journal*.

An interesting meeting may be made after the plan of medal contests, with recitations taken from the *National Educator*. Another plan is to have a contest in which speakers are limited in time. Have the contest open to all women who will enter. Advise the topic, "The Reason Why" women want to vote. Have each woman give her reason for wanting the ballot in a speech from three to ten minutes, according to the number of speakers; appoint a time-keeper, who taps a bell at the expiration of time. Allow the audience to vote, awarding a prize to the best speaker. A small admission fee will cover all expenses. Work up a debate in the young people's literary and debating societies, in the Y. M. C. A. and in the lyceums. See that persons appointed to take the affirmative are well supplied with literature. Offer a five dollar prize for the best essay in favor of woman's ballot by any of the high school students, or by any young person in the town or village under the age of twenty-one. Let the jury of award consist of the president of the Union, the ministers, the master of the high school and the mayor, or any of the local magistrates who are willing to serve. Have the successful essay read at a public meeting and published afterward in the local papers.

Parlor meetings are often more valuable than public meetings, inasmuch as conservative people who would hesitate to attend the latter are willing guests at the former. The lawyer, the clergyman, the teacher, or some cultivated woman in the community, may be secured to prepare a biographical essay on any one of the conspicuous advocates of human rights, and thus educate in a social way and win workers to the cause.

All meetings of the Union devoted to this department should be announced in advance, and reported afterwards. Make reports short and newsy. These two words—"short" and "newsy"—are the "open sesame" to the columns of the American press.



MRS. ELLA W. STEWART,  
Supt. Dept. of Franchise, Nat'l W. C. T. U.

### THE JUSTICE OF WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

The W. C. T. U. asks for the enfranchisement of women on the unanswerable ground of simple justice. It is right. It is just. It is in harmony with the spirit of our government.

I believe that the colonists who laid the foundation of this representative republic were inspired. But, like all inspired characters—prophets, apostles, poets and statesmen—the idea which they projected was too great for even them to comprehend.

The truth was universal. Their application was particular. They said, "All men are created free and equal," but they owned slaves, and it took years for humanity to gain the proper perspective and apply that maxim to the colored man. They said "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed," and then, by the insertion of one adjective in the constitution they denied to one-half their citizenship the cherished right of official consent or dissent.

Like the famous general who gave orders to be reminded daily that Carthage must be destroyed, these prophets of freedom saluted each other with the stirring reminders that "Taxation without representation is tyranny," and "No man can be justly taxed by, or is bound in conscience to obey any law to which he has not given his consent, either in person or by his representative," yet they imposed this injustice upon women.

But some one will say, "Women are protected by society—their lives and property—and they ought to pay for this protection, so their taxation is legitimate, although they are not represented."

But our forefathers saw through this very nonsense and fallacy, when they objected to the Stamp Act, which was passed solely to raise money to protect them and was to be used entirely for their benefit. They declared this act, if unresisted, would establish the fact that the colonists were the slaves of the Britons. They preferred to decide for themselves what protection they needed and what they were willing to pay for. And why should not women be allowed the same right?

Then those strenuous advocates of liberty not only felt that they would be degraded and enslaved by this act, but that they would also be robbed. Lord Camden said, "Whatever is a man's own is absolutely his own. No man has a right to take it from him without his consent, expressed either by himself or his representative."

The women of Indiana bear a large burden of the taxation. They have paid millions of dollars into the coffers of the State. Their money helps support the public schools—the bulwark of our civilization. It goes to the institutions of charity—those features of the State whose spirit embodies the feminine qualities and the management of which to-day needs woman's counsel. They help build streets and highways and public buildings. Their money goes to defray the expenses of Legislatures, pays the salaries of the Governor and public officials, and all the expensive machinery of the State.

Is this fair? That is the only question of weight. Any hypothetical objections as to precedent, inconvenience, cost, speculations as to whether all women would avail themselves of the privilege, etc., should count for nothing.

With so great a principle at stake, if only one woman in Indiana asked for this privilege, twentieth century chivalry should burst into bloom and her appeal should not be denied. However, not one, but thousands of women, are asking. On no other subject have so many petitions been submitted to Congress and Legislatures as this. And in all reform movements those who actively work are only a small fractional part of those who believe, but are passive, but who enjoy the fruits of the victories.

When we remember that all moral reforms move slowly we are amazed at the progress of this movement, which at first had arrayed against it the prejudice of nearly all the people and the custom of ages.

Forty years ago woman suffrage was a joke. Now it is one of the most prominent subjects of discussion.

Daily papers have numerous editorials on the various aspects of the case. The leading magazines publish articles on this subject.

Twenty-eight States and Territories in the United States have given women some sort of suffrage. Four States have given them full suffrage.

These victories will beget new ones, for they are practical object lessons. This is the great question of the age. It looks all others out of countenance. It involves the liberty of millions. No fairminded thinker should hesitate to give allegiance to it. Remember that justice is always expedient, and the denial of a right is tyranny.

Indiana white ribboners should spend more time developing sentiment for this department.

The ballot is at the root of every tax, every law, every choice of officials. Women cannot protect their interests and their homes without it. There is only one power that can shake the Gibraltar of the legalized liquor traffic, and that is the ballot of an American citizen. Let us help our nation to take the next two steps in civilization—the enfranchisement of its women citizens and the destruction of the saloon.

ELLA S. STEWART,  
Supt. Franchise Dept., Nat. W. C. T. U.

### A PLEA FOR JUSTICE.

It is very generally conceded that if woman is to be taxed to support the government, the same as man, that it would be only common justice to give her the same right as man, to vote how the tax money is to be expended. And, if women are held amenable to the laws the same as man, it is only just to allow them to vote for those who make the laws and administer them the same as men. All fair minded persons will agree to these propositions. What shall we say then to the conditions which confront us to-day? Women go down to the gates of death and experience the Gethsemane of suffering to give the State a child. That same State gives governmental consent to the liquor traffic to set in the pathway of the child traps and snares to lure it to destruction. The mother desires to express her opinion at the ballot box, the only place where government hears prayers or counts opinions, and she is denied, because she is a woman, and to vote is a privilege granted to men only in the State of Indiana!

Men may protect the liquor traffic by all the power the Constitution gives them. Women may carry remonstrances for men to sign for many weary miles and put in their best persuasions for many weary hours, but may not have their own names counted on the remonstrance to keep the saloon away from their loved ones. What ought women to do under such circumstances, keep silence in the churches? Nay, verily, let their protest go up from every hamlet and every town and city, in the churches and out of them, until the combined forces of woman's cry shall penetrate the walls of legislative halls and men shall grant to them the "inalienable" right of every human being—the right of self-defense.

If I lived in Indiana I would set in motion a *Woman's Remonstrance* against every saloon in the State. The moral effect upon men of such remonstrance would justify all the effort required to make it a success. Its effect upon women would awaken them to an active campaign for their own enfranchisement. A generous scattering of woman's suffrage leaflets in every home canvassed would result in such a change of public sentiment on the question, that if turned toward the State Constitution, would wipe out the word "male," as a qualification for voting, from that time honored document. When we think how men fought and bled and died to secure the right of self-government, and how they would fight to-day to defend that right were it in danger, surely we ought to be able to convince them that women ought to be permitted to give their consent to be governed.

The Fourth of July is come and gone. The din has ceased and the smoke of the fire cracker, toy pistol and cannon has cleared away. Nothing remains but a few reflections. Not even the foreigner newly landed, the Chinaman, the Jew or the colored man, has been able to out-do us in patriotism on the glorious Fourth. They may have made more noise and disturbed the peace to a greater extent, but as for hours of service over a hot cook stove and the monuments of lemon pies, cakes and ice cream we manufactured to help in the celebration, to say nothing of the boy and girl orators we trained, they have not been able to hold a candle to the blazing efforts put forth by women. Yet woman's citizenship is nil, except for taxes, their opinions on public questions are scorned, their right to vote denied. Oh, for the day to come when a new declaration of independence shall enable women to put to rout King Alcohol, whose tyranny in one year was not outdone by King George in all his lifetime. Rally for the home cause and declare for independence for its queen.

MARIE C. BREHM.

To secure a Woman's Edition of the local paper is another way to make this department prominent and make money for the work. Every local Union should, if possible, have at least one franchise lecture in the town every year, and as many more as practicable.

Good meetings may also be held with local talent. Get your minister to preach on "Woman's Work," or "Women of the Bible," or "Women in the Church," and persuade him to put in a strong plea for the enfranchisement of women.



### Why Women Should Vote—And Why They Should Be Well Educated.

When the editor of a powerful daily newspaper so widely read as the *Chicago American* speaks in so fearless a tone, it is well to note the fact. The following editorial appeared in *Hearst's Chicago American*, October 9, 1902. Straws show which way the wind blows:

Every year in this country and throughout the world women progress toward the full possession of the ballot and toward equality with men in educational facilities. In one State after another women are beginning to practice law; they are obtaining new suffrage rights; they are flocking to newly opened schools and colleges.

In England and Scotland, but a few years ago, only a few men in the population were allowed to vote—money was the requisite quality. To-day, in those countries, women vote at county elections, and in many cases at municipal elections. In Utah, Colorado and Idaho women, as voters, have the same right as men. They have certain rights as voters in nine other States. In the great commonwealth of Australia, so far ahead of all the rest of the world in humanity and social progress, the wife votes absolutely as her husband does.

The woman who votes becomes an important factor in life, for double reasons. In the first place, when a woman votes, the candidate must take care that his conduct and record meet with a good woman's approval, and this makes better men of the candidates.

In the second place, and far more important, is this reason:

When women shall vote, the political influence of the good men in the community will be greatly increased. There is no doubt whatever that women, in their voting, will be influenced by the men whom they know. But there is also no doubt that they will be influenced by the good men whom they know.

Men can deceive each other much more easily than they can deceive women—the latter being providentially provided with the X-ray of intuitional perception.

The blustering politician, preaching what he does not practice, may hold forth on the street corner or in a saloon, and influence the votes of others as worthless as himself. But his home life will more than offset his political influence among women.

The bad husband may occasionally get the vote of a deluded or frightened wife. But he will surely lose the votes of the wives and daughters next door.

Voting by women will improve humanity, because IT WILL COMPEL MEN TO SEEK AND EARN THE APPROVAL OF WOMEN.

Our social system improves in proportion as the men in it are influenced by its good women.

As for the education of women, it would seem unnecessary to urge its value upon even the stupidest of creatures. Yet it is a fact that the importance of thorough education of girls is still doubted—usually, of course, by men with deficient education of their own and an elaborate sense of their own importance and superiority.

Mary Lyon, whose noble efforts established Mount Holyoke College, and spread the idea of higher education for women throughout the world, put the case of women's education in a nutshell. She said:

"I think it less essential that the farmers and mechanics should be educated than that their wives, the mothers of their children, should be."

The education of a girl is important chiefly because it means the education of a future mother.

Whose brain but the mother's inspires and directs the son in the early years when knowledge is most easily absorbed and permanently retained?

If you find in history a man whose success is based on intellectual equipment, you find almost invariably that his mother was exceptionally fortunate in her opportunities for education.

Well educated women are essential to humanity. They insure abler men in the future, and incidentally they make the ignorant man feel ashamed of himself in the present.

### WOMEN IN THE PROFESSIONS.

Less than a century ago there was not a woman in any of the professions; and, truth to say, many of the so-called professions were not known to man a century since.

Liberty, perching on America's banner for a hundred years, has produced not only new professions but a wondrous change in the legal status of women.

The first woman to graduate in medicine was Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, at Geneva, New York—the first graduated woman physician in the world. Upon her application for admission to Oberlin College the faculty agreed to leave the matter to the students, fully expecting and hoping they would say "No." But they voted unanimously to admit her, greatly to the chagrin of the faculty. About this time, 1840, Harriet Martineau visited the United States, and reported seven occupations only open to women—teaching, needle work, keeping boarders, working in cotton factories, type setting, book binding and household service.

Rev. Antoinette Brown Blackwell was the first woman who had the temerity to graduate in theology. This was in 1850 at Oberlin. The pulpit at this time gave frequent expositions of the necessary subordi-

nation of women. "Let women keep silence in the churches," was often quoted, and the cruel persecution of Ann Hutchinson, a godly woman who had dared to preach the gospel to men, was brought forward as a reason why women should keep silence. So universally was this movement against her approved that the voices of women were silenced everywhere.

Woman's sphere has enlarged vastly within a recent period. Her success in spheres analogous to the pulpit may be fairly quoted as an indication of her fitness for many branches of the sacred profession. No one thinks of denying woman's right to preach in print. Why may it not be that some women have a divine call to preach in the pulpit? Woman as lecturer has won a high place in great reformatory movements. If the womanliness and queenliness of a Frances E. Willard, a Mrs. Leavitt, a Mrs. Hunt or a Mrs. Livermore have not been diminished but rather ennobled and glorified by their prolonged and varied work on the platform, why should it be by the work of the pulpit?

What Scriptural authority can be quoted of greater weight than the divine command not to keep a light under a bushel, or a talent in a napkin? Antoinette Brown began and closed her theological course with the disapproval of both faculty and trustees. After she had graduated (with honor) the charter of the college was amended so as to prevent other women from entering the theological department. Miss Brown's name was not printed in the list of graduates for forty years after her graduation. But of what avail? To-day there are some eighteen denominations which permit women to preach. Several hundred women are occupying pulpits with credit to their sex and denomination. But those churches whose policy is determined by large representative bodies, such as the Methodist Episcopal and Presbyterian, still refuse to ordain women, and while there are Baptist women ministers, as a whole, the church is extremely conservative upon the general question.

Permission to practice law in nearly all countries can only be obtained by decree of a court. In several States the courts threw off the responsibility of passing upon the application of women candidates by the decision that a special act from the Legislature must first be secured, making women eligible to the profession of law. In 1864 Belle Mansfield was admitted to the bar in Iowa. That same year Myra Bradwell made application for admission to the bar in Illinois, and was refused. To-day over eighty women are practicing law in Illinois, having been admitted to the bar one after another, notwithstanding the first applicant was refused. Several hundred women have graduated at law schools, and many are engaged in honorable and lucrative employment.

Women have been in the schools as teachers since 1789. As late as 1840 one dollar a week with "board-ing around" was accounted good wages for a woman. In some States four-fifths of the teachers are women, and for the whole United States over half the teachers are women. The highest grades of positions are usually reserved for men, and there is still unequal pay for equal work in most States. Many professorships in colleges and universities, representing every phase of scholarship, are held by women. The universities of Sweden, Italy and Switzerland have employed women in responsible positions as instructors.

In journalism, women are as numerous as men. Every city newspaper has its coterie of women reporters and its department superintendents. Magazines and papers are owned and edited by women, and some of the best paid contributors are women. A woman with talent is as free as a man to make a reputation and to secure satisfactory remuneration.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century higher learning for women was quite as bitterly condemned as developed in later days against political rights, but popular opinion was not vested with authority to grant or refuse the right of education. The entering wedge was a brave woman who established a school for girls on the new lines and a few parents with good common sense to support it.

Individual women, anxious for an education, knocking at college doors, drove the wedge further in, while the teaching, and speaking, and writing of women being educated by their own efforts effectually opened the way to the schools, colleges and professions, one by one, until, at the close of the nineteenth century, women have perfect freedom to achieve in any direction for which they are able.

So a few women, great enough and courageous enough to bear the humiliation of popular disapproval, fitted themselves for medicine, law, the ministry, and a few liberal minded people patronized them, and lo! the professions were opened to women.

But the popular will must be obtained in the United States in order for women to gain political privileges, consequently the department of rights presents the greatest resistance, but we see the shadows melting before the sunlight of Christian equality, and it doesn't matter how hot the battle. It did not matter in the long run that the doctors boycotted the women physicians, that the pulpit denounced the women ministers, that the judges frowned upon the women lawyers, that the newspapers condemned such undertakings, and that the average man and woman shared these opinions. God is behind the movement, and "that which was lost" to women in the Garden of Eden will finally be restored. Perfect equality in the home, in the church, in the state. How will it be in the moral and spiritual? Behind the swinging gates of this swift passing century there comes to my

vision the dawn of the "thousand years" of universal brotherhood and sisterhood, when every one's prosperity will be every other person's desire.

M. A. TOMPKINS.

### SWEET CICELY FAVORS SUFFRAGE.

But Josiah was more sot than usual that mornin' aginst wimin's votin' and he begun himself on the subject to Cicely—had talked pow'ful aginst it, but gentle; he loved Cicely as he did his eyes. He had been to a lecture the night before, to Toad Holler, a little place between Jonesville and Lovetown. He and Uncle Nate Burpy went up to hear a speech aginst wimin suffrage, in a Democrat.

Josiah said it was a pow'ful speech. He said Uncle Nate said, "The feller that delivered that ort to be President of the United States. That mind ort to be in the chair."

I said I persumed, from what I hearn of it, that his mind was tired out and ort to set down and rest. I spoke light because Josiah Allen acted so high-headed about it; but I do s'pose it was a pow'ful effort, from what I hearn. He talked dretful smart, they say, and used big words. The young feller that give the lecture and his sister was left orphans and poor; and she was a good deal the oldest and she sot her eyes by him. She had took care of the old folks, supported 'em and lifted 'em 'round herself and took all the care of 'em in every way till they died. Then this boy didn't seem to have much faculty for gittin' 'long, so she educated him—sewed for tailor shops and got money and sent him to school and college, so he could talk big.

And it was sich a comfort to that sister to sort o' rest off for an evenin' from makin' vests and pantaloon cheap to furnish him money. It was so sort o' restful to her to set and hear him talk large aginst wimmen suffrage and the weakness and inefficiency of wimmen. He said, this young chap did, and proved it right out, so they said, that the franchise was too tuckerin' a job fur wimmen to tackle, and that wimmen hadn't the earnestness and persistency and deep forethought to make her valuable as a franchiser—or safe! You see he had his hull strength, the young chap had, for his sister had clothed him, as well as boarded him and educated him; so he talked pow'ful. He could use up quantities of wind and not miss it, havin' all his strength.

His speech made a deep impression on men and wimmen. His sister, bein' so wore out workin' so hard, wept fur joy. It was so beautiful and affected her so pow'ful! She said she never realized till that minit how weak and useless wimmen really was and how strong and pow'ful men was.

It was a great effort and she got an extra good supper for him that night, I hearn, wantin' to repair the waste in his system caused by eloquence. She was supportin' him till he got a client. He was stud-yin' law.

Wall, Josiah was jes' full o' his arguments and he talked 'em over to Cicely that mornin'. But she said, after hearin' 'em all, that she was willin' to vote on the temperance question, and she had thought it all over, she said—thought how that race of slaves were freed, and she believed that when wimmen, who were now in legal bondage, were free to act as their heart and reason dictated, they who suffered from intemperance, would be the ones to strike the blow that would free the land from the curse. Curious that she should feel so, but you couldn't get the idee out o' her head. She had pondered over it day and night, she said—pondered over it and prayed over it.

And, come to think it over, I don't know as it was curius after all, when I thought how Paul had ruined himself, and broke her heart, and how her money was bein' used now to keep grog-shops open, four of her buildin's rented to liquor dealers, and she couldn't help herself.

Cicely owned lots of other landed property in the village where she lived, and so, of course, her property was all taxed accordin' to its worth. And it bein' the biggest property there, of course it helped more than anything else did to keep the streets smooth and even before the saloon doors, so drunkards could get there easy; and to get new street lamps in front of the saloons and billiard rooms, so as to make a real bright light to draw 'em in and ruin 'em.

There was a few—the doctor who knew rum ruined men's bodies; and the minister, he knew how it ruined men's souls—they two and a few others, worked awful hard to get the saloons shut up.

But the executor, who wanted the town to go license, so's he could make money, and thinking it would be for her interest in the end, hired votes with her money. Her money used to hire liquor votes! The idee!

So her money, and his influence and the influence of low appetites, carried the day; and the liquor traffic won. The men who rented her houses voted for license to a man. She labored with these men with tears in her eyes. And they liked her.

They listened to her respectful, stood with their hats in their hands answerin' her soft and went soft out of her presence—and voted license to a man. You see they was all willin' to give her love and courtesy and kindness, but not the right to do as her heaven-learned sense of right and wrong wanted her to.

Wall, Cicely didn't think it was right. Curius she should think so, some folks thought, but she did. But all this was as nothin' to what she felt about the



boy—her fears for his future. "What could she do—what could she do for the boy, to make it safer for him in the future?"

And I had jest this one answer, that I'd say over and over agin to her:

"Cicely, you can pray! That is all that wimmen can do, and try to influence him right now. God can take care of the boy."

"But I can't keep him with me always, and other influences will come and beat mine down. And I have prayed, but God don't hear my prayers."

And I'd say, calm and soothin', "How do you know, Cicely?" And she says, "Why how I prayed for help when my poor Paul went down to ruin through the open door of a grog shop! If the women of the land had it in their power to do what their hearts dictate—what the poorest, lowest man has the right to do—every saloon, every low grog shop would be closed."

She said this to Josiah the mornin' after the lecture I speak of. He sot there seemin'ly perusin' the almanac, but he spoke up then and says:

"You can't shet up human nater, Cicely, that will jump out anyway. As the poet says, 'Nater will caper.'"

But Cicely went right on, with her eyes a shinin', and a red spot in her white cheeks that I didn't like to see. "A thousand temptations that surround my boy now could be removed, a thousand low influences changed into better, helpful ones. There are drunkards who long, who pray, to have temptations removed out of their way—those who are trying to reform, and who dare not pass the door of a saloon; the very smell of the liquor crazing them with the desire for drink. They want help; they pray to be saved, and we who are praying to help them are powerless. What, if in the future, my boy should be like one of them; weak, tempted, longing for help and getting nothing but help towards vice and ruin? Haven't mothers a right to help those they love in every way—by prayer, by influence, by legal right and might?"

"It would be a dangerous experiment, Cicely," says Josiah, crossin' his right leg over his left and turnin' the almanac to another month, "It seems to me sumthin' unwomanly; sumthin' aginst nater. It is turnin' the laws of nater right 'round. It is perilus to the domestic nature of wimmin."

"Good land! I never heard of a old hen called out of her spear and unhenly because she would fly out at a hawk and cackle loud and cluck to try to lead her chickens off into safety. And while the rooster is a steppin' high and struttin' 'round and lookin' surprised and injured, it is the old hen that saves the chicks nine times out of ten."

"It is aginst the evil hawks—men hawks—that are ready to settle down and tear the young and innocent out of the home nest that wimmin are tryin' to defend their children from. And men may talk about wimmin's gettin' too excited and zealous, but they don't cluck and cackle half so loud as the old hen does, or flutter 'round half so earnest and fierce."

"And the chicken hawk hain't to be compared for danger to the men hawks Cicely is tryin' to save her boy from. And I say it is domestic love in her to want to protect him, and tenderness, and nature, and—and—everything."

I was wrought up and felt deeply and couldn't express half what I felt, and didn't care much if I couldn't. I was roused up; I felt fairly reckless about carin' whether Josiah or anybody understood me or not. I knew the Lord understood me, and I knew what I felt in my own mind, and I didn't care much for anything else. Women do have such spells! They get fairly wore out at tryin' to express what they feel in their souls to a gainsayin' world, and have that world yell out at 'em "Unwomanly! Unwomanly!"

I say Cicely wusn't unwomanly. I say from the very depths of her lovin' little soul, she was pure womanly, affectionate, earnest, tender-hearted, good. And if anybody tells me she wusn't, I'll know the reason why.

JOSIAH ALLEN'S WIFE.

### SOME REASONS WHY THE W. C. T. U. STANDS FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Because God created humanity free and equal.

Because "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed."

Because in a representative republic the ballot is the only direct, orderly and effective method of expressing the views of the people on governmental questions.

Because "taxation without representation is tyranny," therefore those who financially support a government and are amenable to its laws, should have a voice in their making.

Because the mere accident of sex is an unfair qualification for citizenship.

Because women possess the proper qualifications for citizenship, i. e., average intelligence, patriotism and loyalty to the best interests of the country.

Because an enfranchised womanhood would reach a higher plane of mental and moral power, since responsibility educates.

Because women have interests which need special representation. Men cannot fitly represent women. Women need the ballot to protect property, person and children.

Because the State needs the woman element. Government is now one-sided. The State should be an enlarged family.

Because the ballot is the only weapon that can kill the saloon, the chief enemy of the home. Prayers, moral suasion, social agencies and all other influences directed against the saloon are, in the last analysis, triumphant only as they crystalize in the ballot box.

#### SCOPE OF DEPARTMENT.

The object of this department is to educate and arouse public sentiment as to the justice of the enfranchisement of women. It aims to aid the various States to use any limited suffrage that has been conferred, to join in movements in the various States to secure any advance ground in enfranchisement, and finally to obtain the universal right of women to vote on equal terms with men.

#### METHODS—ORGANIZATION.

The department must be thoroughly organized, with a Superintendent in each State, district, county and local Union.

#### EDUCATION.

There are four principal ways of educating public sentiment: (1) Through the press; (2) by lectures and public meetings; (3) by franchise literature; (4) by personal influence.

#### PRESS WORK.

Press work is mentioned first because "the press is the university of the people," and in no way can we reach so many people at so small expense as through the newspapers. If there is one man above all others whom it is important to convert in every community, it is the editor of the local paper. If he is friendly, he may be induced to give the use of a column or part of a column weekly or monthly. Then fill it promptly with short, bright, readable paragraphs and articles. Bear in mind that editors are more ready to publish original communications than the best selected matter, and unless already strong believers they will be more ready to publish news than to commit themselves personally.

#### PAPERS.

The following papers are published in advocacy of equal suffrage:

*The Woman's Journal*, Boston, Mass. Regular price per year, \$2.50. First year to new subscribers, \$1.50. To libraries and reading rooms, \$1.25.

*The Woman's Column*, Boston, Mass.; fortnightly; per year, 25 cents.

*The Woman's Tribune*, Washington, D. C.; weekly; per year, \$1.00.

*The Woman's Standard*, Sutherland, Iowa.

*Kansas Suffrage Reveille*, Eureka, Kan.

*Western Womanhood*, Fargo, N. D.

*A True Republic*, Cleveland, Ohio.

*National Suffrage Bulletin*, No. 107 World Building, New York.

A cash premium of twenty dollars will be given to any Union or individual getting up a club of twenty-five new subscribers to the *Woman's Journal* at \$1.50 per year. The paper to be sent to any address.

A series of useful leaflets is issued at the office of the *Woman's Journal*. They are by Frances E. Willard, Mary A. Livermore, Lucy Stone, Mrs. Wallace, Henry Ward Beecher, U. S. Senator Hoar, George William Curtis and other able writers. The prices vary from 10 to 80 cents per hundred. A full set of these leaflets, including forty different kinds, may be ordered for 10 cents from the *Woman's Journal*, at 3 Park street, Boston, Mass.

The Franchise Superintendent should study her subject, inform herself thoroughly as to the reasons why women should vote and the results where they do vote and be prepared for answers to the common objections, "keeping sweet" and good natured all the while.

One of the secrets of keeping an interest in the department is to give every one something to do. Get as many members of the Union to help you as possible. Make demands for your department. Remember that this is the reason that you were appointed to superintend.

Every Franchise Superintendent should communicate freely with her superior superintendent. Report your work to her frequently and never fail to answer a letter.

Put your wits to work, devise ways and means and pass them down the line.

Work cheerfully, persistently, enthusiastically, confidently.

ELLA S. STEWART  
National Superintendent.  
MARIE C. BREHM,  
Associate Superintendent.

1. How many Franchise Papers taken?
  2. How many Franchise Articles published in the local papers?
  3. How many pages Franchise Literature distributed?
  4. How many Franchise Lectures?
  5. How many Franchise Contests?
  6. How many Sermons by Ministers?
  7. How many Franchise Parlor Meetings?
  8. How many Books on Political Economy read in the Union?
  9. How many Names secured for the Permanent Enrollment?
  10. How many Women Voted at School Elections?
- Report any other work done, such as circulating petitions, writing letters to legislators, etc.
- Name of Superintendent .....

### EMINENT OPINIONS.

When you were weak and I was strong, I toiled for you. Now you are strong and I am weak. Because of my work for you, I ask your aid. I ask the ballot for myself and my sex. As I stood for you, I pray you stand by me and mine.—*Clara Barton to the soldiers.*

Voting would increase the intelligence of women, and be a powerful stimulus to female education. It would enable women to protect their own industrial, social, moral and educational rights. . . . Woman's vote would be to the vices of our great cities what the lightning is to the oak. . . . I believe that this reform is coming, and that it will come to stay.—*Joseph Cook.*

I leave it to others to speak of suffrage as a right or a privilege; I speak of it as a duty. . . . What right have you women to leave all this work of caring for the country with men? Is it not your country as well as theirs? Are not your children to live in it after you are gone? Are you not bound to contribute whatever faculty God has given you to make it and keep it a pure, safe and happy land?—*James Freeman Clarke.*

One principal cause of the failure of so many magnificent schemes, social, political, religious, which have followed each other age after age, has been this: that in almost every case they have ignored the rights and powers of one-half the human race, viz., women. I believe that politics will not go right, that society will not go right, that religion will not go right, that nothing human will ever go right, except in so far as woman goes right; and to make woman go right she must be put in her place and she must have her rights.—*Charles Kingsley.*

I think women are bound to seek the suffrage as a very great means of doing good.—*Frances Power Cobbe.*

I take it America never gave any better principle to the world than the safety of letting every human being have the power of protection in its own hands. I claim it for woman. The moment she has the ballot, I shall think the cause is won.—*Wendell Phillips.*

You ask my reason for believing in women's suffrage. It seems to me almost self-evident, an axiom, that every house-holder and tax-payer ought to have a voice in the expenditure of the money we pay, including, as this does, interests the most vital to a human being.—*Florence Nightingale.*

To have a voice in choosing those by whom one is governed is a means of self-protection due to every one. Under whatever conditions, and within whatever limits, men are admitted to the suffrage, there is not a shadow of justification for not admitting women under the same.—*John Stuart Mill.*

I am in favor of woman suffrage.—*Phillips Brooks.*

With all my head and with all my heart I believe in woman suffrage.—*Elizabeth Stuart Phelps.*

It is very cheap wit that finds it so droll that a woman should vote. . . . If the wants, the passions, the vices, are allowed a full vote, through the hands of a half brutal, intemperate population, I think it but fair that the virtues, the aspirations, should be allowed a full voice as an offset, through the purest of the people.—*Ralph Waldo Emerson.*

If the principle on which we founded our government is true, that taxation must not be without representation, and if women hold property and are taxed, it follows that women should be represented in the State by their votes. . . . I think the State can no more afford to dispense with the votes of women in its affairs than the family.—*Harriet Beecher Stowe.*

Those who still deny to woman the right to the ballot upon the basis that she is now a protected class and not exposed to the hardships with which men have to contend, should read and mark well such utterances as this of United States Representative Thomas W. Phillips, of Pennsylvania, when in speaking on the Labor Commission, he said: "The rights of woman must be more fully recognized in the future than they have been in the past. She is constantly entering new industrial fields and meeting their requirements with fidelity and ability. Her advancement in intellectual and moral pursuits is without a parallel in history. She is beginning to dominate along all the lines that lead to the betterment of the race. She has built and endowed more institutions of benevolence and charity for the relief of want and suffering in the past fifty years than were established by both sexes in all preceding time. Yet, notwithstanding all this, many of her sex still toil in sweat shops, fighting an uneven battle for child and home with avarice and greed. This blot upon civilization must be removed, and woman's rights and influence be recognized in any future movement for the betterment of our industrial system."—*Rachel Avery Foster.*

Woman suffrage does not mean revolution, but evolution. It is the next step in the progress of the race.

In Wisconsin, New Jersey, Washington, Kansas, Oregon and Michigan women vote on matters concerning school expenditures.

In four States—Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho—women have full suffrage and vote on all matters and for all officers.

New occasions teach new duties; Time makes Ancient good uncouth.  
They must upward still, and onward, who  
Would keep abreast of truth.

—Lowell.



The World's W. C. T. U. convention was held in Geneva, Switzerland, June 9. On account of the severe illness of Lady Henry Somerset, the President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, of Portland, Maine, the Vice-President of the world's organization and our National President, presided. There were present delegates from Sweden, Norway, Belgium, Iceland, India, Victoria, Queensland, West Australia, New Zealand, Cape Colony, Syria, Maderia, Chili, Canada, Great Britain and the United States; also representatives of the work in Egypt and Japan. The meetings were held in Victoria Hall, which is commodious and richly furnished in gilt and crimson velvet. The banners and flags of all lands, suspended above and around the large platform, have been telling the people of Geneva that we are working "for God and home and every land," and that we want "purity in the home," "Peace between all nations," and that the Loyal Temperance Legion is saying, "we'll help lift the world to the light."

Frances Willard prophesied that "woman will bless and brighten every place she enters and she will enter every place upon the round earth." The strong women of other lands here present, representing so many phases of work and occupying places of influence, show that this prophecy is being fulfilled; also, that they are bearing in mind that "womanliness must come first, afterwards what will."

Among the beautiful and cordial welcomes expressed was that of Madam Hyacinthe Loyson, President of the Alliance of Oriental and Occidental Women. She said in part:

"What came ye here for to see? Not reeds shaken by the wind, and not alone this sublime environing Nature!

"Ah, no! a higher aim than these majestic mountains, a purer vision than their crowning snows, an incentive of beauty, peace and holiness, more powerful than these verdant valleys of limpid lakes have brought you hither.

"But you! what came you here for to do, strange women of distant lands and younger races? Under the leadership of the Divine Captain, who owes his human life and earthly mission to a woman, you have incorporated His sisters and her daughters, from the different parts of the world, into a grand marching army of rescue to protect, not only our women and children and all helpless people, but to protect our God-ordained protectors and governors—convincing them that to protect self against selfishness and to govern appetite is more difficult and more necessary than protecting frontiers or governing empires. And for them all you have started on one of the noblest crusades that mark Christian effort.

"You have established outposts throughout the world, beginning with Boston, Chicago, Washington, London, Edinburgh, and now you have chosen Geneva for an advance post; less, it may be, for recruits than for its splendid strategic position, it being a high radiating center of Light, Learning and Liberty.

"And you have come here not only to teach, but to learn.

"Behold her temples of science at the foot of her grand cathedral, for here, thank God, science and religion are wedded in holy union. And to the doors of these temples of learning flock the youth of all nations and all religions, young men and young women, for Geneva gives to the children of other lands what it gives to its native-born sons and daughters, what it gives to you ladies, a sincere and affectionate welcome.

"And also give you welcome the fair, blue waters of Lemane, gushing from the heart of the Swiss Mountains—reflecting alike the blue firmament, sunlight and storm-cloud, as does the genius of this happy land reflects the march of human events, carrying out into the the great sea of humanity something of its own for the welfare, peace and progress of all nations. And, as we believe, that in spite of the lust of empire, the future is for smaller States in federation (as in our beloved America, composed of all races and religions under the sun) and hearts must follow, no, they must take the lead. So this little democracy of Geneva was founded as was the greater republic of the other hemisphere, by valiant, believing foreigners, who esteemed conscience of greater worth than home or native land. And we believe that this commonwealth founded by stalwart Christians exiled from their homes, is chosen by the Supreme Ruler of nations to stand for an example of higher civilization in larger States—and a model for the future universal federation. And you, Christian women of the dawn of the twentieth century, are the forerunners of that Federation, as were those other women to announce to the Brotherhood and to the world the Risen Humanity in the Man Jesus—the Christ."

M. Bude, the Christ host, spoke for himself, and Mme. De Bude, the hostess, who is a most charming, cultivated, intelligent lady of Geneva, said in part:

"In the Epistle to the Hebrews it is written that through hospitality some have received angels without knowing them. But we to-day, to our great privilege, receive in our home a shining angel, under whose wings you are working—the Angel of Temperance. Welcome to Switzerland, to Geneva! Your faith will strengthen ours; your counsels will instruct us; and when you leave us to go over the seas, back to your homes, do not forget our old city which had the honor to receive you. Once more welcome!"

The Swiss people are radiantly responsive. Many of them attended all the sessions day and evening and the leaders were presented to the convention. We made it a business to become acquainted with one an-

other and between the sessions many delegates were invited to partake of the *dejeuner* served in the aristocratic homes of the old part of the town, formerly the palaces of the nobility.

Each morning conferences on purity were led by Mrs. Bullock, who represented Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, and Miss Anna Gordon, assisted by Miss Tinling, with the leaders of the L. T. L. Miss Mary Gorham, of England, had charge of the Devotional Day and the devotional meetings of the convention and gave some most helpful Bible readings. Miss Christine Tingling was most untiring in her efforts to assist the World's officers. She is one who can do the humblest service and crown it with an excellent speech.

The people of Geneva were deeply touched and impressed with the memorial service. The convention reverently stood while the names of our promoted comrades and friends were read. The white silk star-spangled banner that had rested on the casket containing the form of our beloved leader, Frances Willard, was placed on the platform. Mrs. Stevenson led in prayer and Sarah Monroe Hall sang most sympathetically the beautiful song, "Face to Face."

The election resulted in an overwhelming vote for Lady Henry Somerset for President, Mrs. Stevens for Vice-President, Miss Slack and Miss Anna Gordon for Secretaries and Mrs. Sanderson for Treasurer. Cablegrams of hearty congratulations were sent Lady Henry and Mrs. Stevens' husband and daughter.

The mass meetings in the evening were of great interest and well attended, especially when "one hundred women made one hundred speeches in one hundred minutes," as Miss Willard once said, and sagely concluded that men would think "woman was made out of the jaw bone of Adam." Your correspondent had made her little speech in the afternoon, when she was introduced with her two sisters, Anna and Alice (Mrs. Gulick, of Spain), so she had the pleasure of witnessing from the floor the brilliant spectacle that the spacious platform presented.

Mrs. Stevens was happy in her presiding. It was a real treat. Your correspondent was proud she was a woman. Nearly 200 delegates filled the platform, dressed in their most becoming attire, and got off, one after another, sparkling, appropriate little speeches that kept the great audience in a constant state of applause. Miss Anna Gordon touched the bell at the end of a minute. It was an interesting study of human nature—that of the women people. Some in dignified composure utterly disregarded the warning signal until Mrs. Stevens arose. Others stopped short in a manner that amused the audience. Many countries were represented on the floor, as well as on the platform, and each one heard in her own tongue the gospel for which the white ribbon stands. There were minute speeches in French, English, Swedish and Norwegian. Mrs. Mary G. Stuckenberg spoke in German. Mrs. Stevenson and Miss Slack selected the speakers, bringing them forward rapidly one after another, so that not a moment was lost. One of the most dignified and representative of the English delegates caused a burst of laughter, for when she found herself facing the audience she was so utterly overwhelmed with the impossibility of telling all that was in her heart that she turned to Mrs. Stevens and exclaimed, "How can I ever do it in a minute!"

In front of the platform were the delegates, who were arrayed in the bright costumes of their countries: Olafia Johanasdottir, of Iceland, who has been so greatly enjoyed; Franken Jeistrup, of Norway, and Miss Olive Maltery, of India, the young and rarely gifted reciter and writer, who will soon go to the United States for a professional tour. She is a Y. and added much to the enjoyment of our meetings. When her name was called she gracefully presented to Mrs. Stevens \$25, the proceeds of a recital she had given that afternoon. Mrs. Harrison Lee, of Australasia, a sweet-spirited and gifted lecturer, wore a white silk dress, over which was a broad blue sash bearing the inscription, "Advance, Australia. One People, one Destiny." The skirt was uniquely decorated in front with an artistic grouping in water colors of the typical products and emblems of that country, tied with the white ribbon. India was well represented by its energetic organizer, Miss Dunhill, who pleaded for help. "Three hundred million people in all and 80,000,000 taken to drink! New liquor shops are being opened in large numbers under British rule. In the central provinces the increase in the excise revenue is fifteen per cent."

Fru Helenius, of Finland, could not leave home, but sent this message: "I am sitting here having the crying ready, in my trouble that I cannot go to Geneva." Sweden was represented by its President, Frau Wretland, of Stockholm, who was accompanied by her young daughter, and by Miss Schroeder, Vice-President, and Miss Rogberg. Frau Hoffman, of Germany, gifted and gracious, has done splendid service and was of great help to Mrs. Mary H. Hunt in opening the way for a strong scientific temperance instruction law in the schools of Germany. Mrs. Hunt's most hopeful utterance about the congress at Bremen was in regard to the position that scientists took that alcohol is a poison, even in small quantities. Mrs. Sanderson and Miss Dougall represented Canada, which has so strongly stood for prohibition by its plebiscite. Japan was represented by Mrs. Mitchell, Chile by Mrs. Arms, Natal by Miss McGregor, Madeira Islands by Mrs. Smart, Belgium by Madame Keel-hoof, Ireland by Mrs. Richard Booth, Syria by Mrs. A. A. Hawley, France by Mrs. Armfield, and Madagascar by Mlle. Du Common. Nineteen of the fifty

countries federated in the World's Union were represented. We wish it were possible to aggregate the number of miles traveled by the delegates.

The magnitude of such a convention made this occasion one of extraordinary interest. "I wonder how far she came," one could not help thinking. It made those minute speeches seem extremely valuable when one thought, not only of the financial cost, but of the expenditure of time and strength in the thousands of miles traveled. Many World's Superintendents were present. Mrs. S. L. Oberholtzer, Miss Bley, Miss Grayson, Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Lile. Mrs. Lile, of London, was introduced as a life member, made so by the payment of \$100. Sixty-two of the delegates were from England, 35 from the United States, 21 from Scotland, 8 from Canada, 7 each from Sweden and Australia, 1 from Norway, 1 from Spain, and 1 from Cape Colony. There were not minutes enough to go around, so the remaining delegates from Great Britain sang their greeting, all joining with them in the national air. The Americans waving their flags, sang no less enthusiastically, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," to the same air. It was like an electric spark to the great audience. These friends of a sister republic were at once on their feet and gave us a genuine surprise by singing their stirring national anthem to the same familiar and well-beloved tune.

Amy Swankie-Cameron made an earnest and beautiful plea for Y. recruits. She did this throughout the convention at the early morning conferences. Miss Marian Ferguson, of Scotland, who has 1,400 Y's in Glasgow alone, said there were many girls wishing to belong. The only trouble was to provide leaders. What can I say of Sarah Monroe Hall, of Maine, and her magnificent rendering of the splendid song, "Victory?" "Yes, yes, we march, we march to victory!" Clasp hands with one another and with our Geneva friends who came to the platform, we sang "God be with us till we meet again," closing with the benediction, "The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace."

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

Our year's work is almost completed, and before long the summing up and reporting time. I will send out the report blanks by the first of August to all the County Secretaries that I have the names of, and if there is one of you that does not receive them by the 15th of August, please notify me by postal and I will send them to you. When sending blanks to your locals urge them to report all work done for the year and forward to me by the 20th of September. In counties where there is no L. T. L. Secretary and the Leader does not receive a blank, notify me and I will send you one. Let us have all the work reported this year. Urge the payment of dues. Remember the Legions paying 10 cents dues to the W. C. T. U. State Treasurer on all pledged members will be entered on the roll of honor and taken to Hartford City to the State Convention. You will all want to see your Legion enrolled. Then the graduates send 25 cents dues to our Senior State Treasurer, Nathan Lenfestey, at Marion. Remember the banners for the largest graduates' class, the Legion paying the most dues and the county organizing the most Legions. Work for them. Those having foundation blocks for the State L. T. L. quilt, get them done and bring them to the convention.

IDA M. MIX,  
L. T. L. Secretary.

What have you done this year in the department of Anti-Gambling? I hope you have all done something. Of all the many forms of vice and sin which spring from a misuse of money, gambling is the worst and is the most destructive of personal manliness and national integrity and honor. To get money without working is always a perilous thing. I wait anxiously your reports. JAMES E. MIX,  
State Supt. Anti-Gambling.

Medal Contest—I am glad to see some L. T. L. contests reported in the MESSAGE and hope there will be many more to report by the end of the year. Let each local L. T. L. Superintendent of Medal Contests report by the 15th of September.

MYRTLE COX LEE,  
State L. T. L. Superintendent.

## SENIOR LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

From every Senior Legion in the State I am hoping for a report of work done. These reports should be sent in by September 10. Presidents of the W. C. T. U. will confer a great favor if they will kindly attend to this for me. SUSIE McWHIRTER,  
State Cor. Sec'y L. T. L., Greencastle, Ind.

## TEMPERANCE IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Through the influence and efforts of Mrs. Cynthia Jones, our State Superintendent of Sunday School Work, a resolution to create a Temperance Department was considered by the executive committee of the State Sunday School convention, and according to all such business action it was deferred until the next annual meeting. Prof. R. A. Ogg, of Kokomo, was chairman of the committee and helped to push it through. Mrs. Jones has kept her department workers doing aggressive work.



## THE MILL THAT JACK BUILT.

This is the mill that Jack built—  
'Tis a mill that pays ten per cent,  
For 'tis founded, forsooth, on the labor of youth,  
Where mules cost a heap, but where children are cheap;  
And the stockholders' purses are both long and deep  
Because of this mill that Jack built!

This is the mill that Jack built—  
The spindles are calling within;  
The weak and the small must answer the call,  
And babyhood's chatter can't live in the clatter;  
But the profits are big, so what else can matter?  
In the wonderful mill that Jack built!

This is the mill that Jack built,  
And Jack's a New England man.  
He's fair, fat and forty and pious—not sporty—  
And will give you, quite grave, rules on how to behave,  
For of course he can't know that each child is a slave  
In the wonderful mill that Jack built.

This is the mill that Jack built—  
And it prisons the children all day;  
And the wan-faced poor white slouches homeward at night  
With its tiny strength spent, and with puny form bent,  
For the stockholders must have that next ten per cent  
From the wonderful mill that Jack built.

—Arthur Chapman.

## ANNUAL FREE WILL OFFERING FOR INDIANA W. C. T. U.

Meetings to be held by the Local Unions any time from now on to the 25th of September.

Preparation—Read the suggestions in the MESSAGE for July. Follow them.

Program—This program is very flexible. The President or Evangelistic Superintendent may lead and by calling on some one to read the text under each topic, which shall be followed by one or two prayers, the service may be completed in an hour's time. But if the Union so desires, both a morning and afternoon service may be profitably held, a lecture or paper being given upon each scripture topic, followed by a prayer and song service. Leaders should then be appointed for different hours. It might be well to hold a social service in the evening, at which gentlemen and others who could not be present during the day could bring their offerings and increase their knowledge of the work of the Union at large.

We offer the following suggestive program:

Crusade hymn, "Give to the winds thy fears."

First season of prayer—Scripture text, Prov. xxviii, 4; Matt. xi, 24, 25, 38, 39; Joel iii, 3; Jer. xi, 17; Lev. xvi, 32-35. Pray that God will open up our understanding as to the sinful conditions in our State and community.

Second season of prayer—Scripture texts, 1 Kings viii, 33; Is. ix, 6. Pray that He will give to us and all men everywhere a desire and will that these conditions may be remedied.

Third season of prayer—Scripture texts, Eph. iv, 32; Deut. i, 16, 17. Pray that He may give to us and our friends wisdom in planning and executing for a safer and better community and State.

Fourth season of prayer—Scripture texts, 2 Tim. i, 5-8; Mark xvi, 9; John xx, 14-18; Is. xxxii, 9; Ps. lxviii, 2 (Rev. Ver.); Deut. xi, 18-21. Pray that He may show us, for our peace and spiritual enrichment, as well as for the advancement of our cause, that the W. C. T. U. is of His will.

Fifth season of prayer—Scripture texts, Gen. xiv, 20; Mal. iii, 8-11; Heb. vii, 2-9; Matt. xxiii, 23. Pray that we and our friends may have a convincing conviction of the fact that He uses money for His work.

Sixth season of prayer—Scripture texts, 1 Peter iv, 10; Rom. x, 14. Pray that He will touch the hearts of the people to give liberally to this work, and show us how much we can give.

Why we ask an offering: Our membership dues are small, in order that no woman need be deprived the privilege of joining us because of expense. We have no system of taxes or fines. The appropriation of the dues covers many privileges to the members. This leaves nothing for sending out literature for the general information of the people, nor for lecturers and organizers.

How much to expect: Five thousand dollars by means of these meetings is a reasonable sum to hope for. Certainly each pledged member can pledge herself for one dollar, either to pay it herself or collect it from friends. This does not include honorary members. That would bring the sum to much more than \$5,000. God will grant us according to our faith as shown by our works. Write for envelopes and appeals to

ALICE RUTH PALMER.

## A LITTLE NOTE.

I learn that many have not understood that our paper, the woman's issue of *The News Tribune*, was a 16 page paper. We contracted for only 8 pages, but the foreman in making up the paper placed some of our articles in the other sheet, and in giving out the paper it has been separated and 8 pages given to one and 8 to another, thus destroying the effects of the paper. Some have written us that their articles were not in because of this. We are sorry for this and any person or Union who wish another supply of papers, that they may keep a whole copy as a souvenir number, we will gladly supply them at reduced rates.

MATTIE CAMMACK-GIBSON.

## FIELD NOTES.

Miss Jessie Ackerman, at one time W. C. T. U. missionary, delivered an address at Richmond, Ind., June 21.

Local and County Presidents are requested to bring orders for the State Minutes of next year to the State Convention.

Mrs. Frances Beauchamp is filling several dates in Indiana. She spoke at Evansville, July 17; Lebanon, July 22; Westfield, July 23; Martinsville, July 26, and Bethany Park, July 27.

Through the efforts of the temperance workers three saloons at North Manchester have been closed. How glad our White Ribboners of Wabash County should be for the privilege of helping in the victorious warfare.

Mrs. Mary Balch, of Louisville, Ky., writes: I have finished reading every word in the July MESSAGE and as I have no carrier pigeon, and it is most too far to phone, and a telegram is too serious, I must write a short letter to tell you the MESSAGE is so splendid bright, new, to the point, hits the mark; this is my bouquet with love.

At Indianapolis, Frances E. Willard Union observed flower mission day by going in a body to the Eleanor Hospital for Sick Children, where they distributed flowers. From there they went to the Katherine Home for Aged Women. After a short service of song and prayer and the presentation of flowers, Mrs. Hill, of Boston, quite an able speaker, made an address, which was appreciated very much.

At Winchester, Miss Marie C. Brehm spoke twice, June 22, in Friends' Church. In the evening the large church was packed, and the story, "From Jerusalem to Jericho," held the listeners still for an hour and a half. It is a wonderful lecture, and we are richer, mentally, spiritually and financially.

CARRIE TOMLINSON.

Central Union, Indianapolis, has had 10,000 Sabbath Observance pledge cards printed. At the top of the cards are the words, "Presented by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union." The Union has chosen the eighth ward (a section of about ten squares square) as their territory and the cards are being distributed from house to house. They will also be distributed through the churches in the ward.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, Vice-President of the Indiana W. C. T. U., delivered an address at the M. E. Church in Columbia City on Monday afternoon, June 22. Representatives were present from the other Unions of the county—Churubusco and South Whitley. It was one of the most magnificent and eloquent addresses ever delivered in the city. The Union greatly appreciated the work done by Mrs. Stanley, and hopes for her return at some future time.

Porter County Institute was held at Hebron, June 18 and 19, conducted by Miss Alice Palmer. The program was carried out as far as possible. Much interest was manifested and we feel that aside from the added membership, more good was done than we can estimate. The first evening Miss Palmer lectured to a large and appreciative audience. The second, we held a Silver Medal contest, making the third contest we have had this spring since April.

You can obtain a free ticket to the National Convention at Cincinnati next November by securing a certain number of subscribers to the *Union Signal*. Write at once to Miss Addie Austin, 184 LaSalle street, Chicago, for instructions. The number you must secure will depend upon the distance from your town to Cincinnati. We hope many will take advantage of this offer and thus do two good things—increase the circulation of one of the best temperance papers published and win for yourself a free ticket to the great convention.

LaPorte Union, besides holding its regular meeting every two weeks, has given two receptions and has had several special meetings. On April 16 a farewell reception was held for Mrs. Martha Talmage, who was going away to stay until September. June 16 another was given for Mrs. Mary Baumgardner, who expects to be gone a year. The Union misses these dear sisters very much, but our loss is some other Union's gain. This Union also planned to have Miss Marie Brehm on June 14, and was sadly disappointed when told it could not have her. It also donated \$10 to the Hadley Home in June.

Churubusco Union secured the services of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley for one week in June, from 17th to 23d. On Saturday evening, June 20, she lectured on the street to a very large audience; saloon keepers, drunkards, saints and sinners all paying the strictest attention to her lecture, many saying that it was the best ever given in Churubusco. On Sunday night she gave her famous lecture, "At the Mercy of the State," to a crowded house. On Monday afternoon she met with the Columbia City W. C. T. U. Churubusco Union gained ten new members. We expect to have her again sometime in the near future.

From Mt. Vernon. Mrs. Balch, State Secretary of the W. C. T. U. of Kentucky, accompanied by Mrs. M. E. Everton, formerly of Mt. Vernon, but now a State Organizer of Kentucky, were here from June 27 to 29, guests of Mrs. R. Sarles. On Saturday afternoon a reception was held at the home of Mrs. Eva McCallister, with quite a number of women present. Mrs. Balch's lecture and recitation were splendid and to the point. The meetings held at the churches on Saturday and Sunday nights were not so well attended. Such lectures as Mrs. Balch gives are just what are needed here, if we could only get the people out to hear them. We have but a small Union, but we are trying to do all we can with the persistent efforts of our President, Miss Inez McGregor, and Treasurer, Mrs. R. Sarles. Flower Mission Day was appropriately observed by the Mt. Vernon Union.

Winchester had a month of small pox in January, but the quarantine was lifted in time for the Willard Memorial, a union meeting, all the ministers helping. Fifteen ten-week subscriptions were sent to the *Union Signal*. Two very interesting parlor meetings were held, one for mothers, the other for over fifty fathers, mothers and children. The young people are always ready to provide fine music, thus helping very much. President Mrs. O. R. Baker, wife of the superintendent of schools, has her whole heart in the work, and all hope to hold up her hands and go forward.

Under the auspices of the North Kokomo W. C. T. U., Miss Marie C. Brehm, of Chicago, gave one of her popular lectures at the Grace M. E. Church, Thursday evening, June 18, to a large and appreciative audience. She discussed Alcohol, Appetite, Avarice and Apathy under the head of the "Four A's." She said if it were not for Avarice every saloon in Kokomo would be closed by the 4th of July. She dealt a few telling blows to the practice of card playing and gambling for silver spoons and cut glass and other tom-foolery. She declared that a wave of genuine religion must sweep over our churches to rid us of this cause for reproach in the eyes of the world. This class never have any time for genuine religion or temperance work. Miss Edith Hillis, the State President of the L. T. L., sang sweetly, as only she can, the temperance song, "What Is the Use to Deny It." A parlor meeting was held in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Learner, on East Mulberry street, where Miss Brehm addressed a large number of ladies.

At the semi-annual convention of the Wayne County W. C. T. U., held at Economy, June 25, the following Superintendents of Departments were appointed: Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. Cyrus Hodgkin, Richmond; Franchise, Mrs. Mary Toms, Richmond; Mercy and Charity, Mrs. Hannah Taylor, Economy; Flower Mission, Mrs. Bertha Smith, Richmond; Evangelistic Work, Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, Richmond; Sunday-school, Mrs. Eliza B. H. Mendenhall, Richmond; Purity and Rescue, Mrs. Elizabeth Candler, Richmond; Health and Heredity, Mrs. D. L. Hopkins, Richmond; Jail and Prison, Mrs. Mary Carman, Richmond; Law and Statistics, Mrs. Rena Randall, Richmond; L. T. L., Mrs. Sadie Eaves, Richmond; Fair Work, Mrs. Ruthanna Hunt, Richmond; Press, Miss Letitia Smith, Richmond; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Eliza Morris, Richmond; Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Ellen Clark, Economy; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Susan Smith, Richmond; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Rachel Hodgkin, Richmond; Medal Contest, Miss Edah Hunt, Richmond.

Tuesday, June 9, the ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Kokomo celebrated the day at their hall as Memorial Day, in honor of Miss Jennie Caseday, of Louisville, a helpless cripple for thirty years, now deceased. It was Miss Caseday who originated the beautiful Flower Mission day which is annually celebrated by the W. C. T. U. everywhere. Tuesday evening was devoted to a silver medal contest at the J. E. Hillis home on East Sycamore street. Four boys of the L. T. L., Kenyon Gregg, Lewis Terrill, Frank Logan and Lloyd Thomas, were the contestants. The medal was captured by Master Frank Logan. Tuesday and Wednesday the ladies of the W. C. T. U. were busy making beautiful bouquets, tied with a little snow-white ribbon, which they distributed to the inmates of the county infirmary, orphans' home, county jail, police headquarters and at all three of the city fire departments. The work of distributing the flowers in this city was delegated to Mrs. Stockton and Miss Edith Hillis and their committees. The custom is indeed a beautiful one, as it brings kindly remembrance and the sweet sunshine of hope to many of life's unfortunate and less favored plodders.

The W. C. T. U. societies and Prohibition Alliance of South Bend celebrated the Fourth of July in true American fashion by holding an all-day temperance celebration and basket picnic at Springbrook Park. The program began at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon with an oratorical contest, five contestants participating. These numbers were alternated by those who took part in the musical contest. Two sets of judges were selected, who were unknown to the contestants. When the judges brought in their reports (which were marked on a percentage basis) it was found that two of the competitors were a tie for the first prize of \$5 00 in gold, and very wisely the winners, Miss Lillian Swanger, of Mishawaka, and Mr. Paul W. Cox, of Rockville, Parke County, divided the amount. The second prize of \$2 50 was carried to Plymouth by Mrs. J. Eddison Miller and the third prize, of honorable mention, was awarded Miss Yoder, of Elkhart. In the musical contest, the first prize of \$5.00 was awarded Miss Cleo Barnes, of South Bend; the second, of \$2.50, to Mrs. J. Eddison Miller, of Plymouth; the third, of honorable mention, to Mr. L. D. White, of South Bend. The children's chorus, under direction of Prof. Eli Miller, sang patriotic songs. The Clayton quartette, the Maurer quartet and the Harrington orchestra rendered many inspiring selections throughout the day. The event of the day, however, was the oration by Hon. Felix T. McWhirter, of Indianapolis. The large auditorium was comfortably filled and round after round of applause greeted the speaker while he showered prohibition truths into our midst. Mr. McWhirter is an orator of marked ability. He is powerful in appeal, convincing in argument, pleasing in the presentation of his subject and his efforts cannot help but win votes for our cause.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## THE PRESS.

The Press hath raised its mighty voice,  
Aloud proclaims,  
Ye nations of the earth rejoice  
With higher aims;  
Prohibition! awakes the cry,  
The demon alcohol must die,  
The white ribbon banner by and by,  
Intemperance maims.

The Press goes forth where we but stand,  
With words of fire;  
They hear its voice of strong command,  
And feel its ire.

"Place it not to your brother's lips,  
Too deadly is the draught he sips,  
And from your conscience never slips  
His funeral pyre."

The Press will ask if in that day  
Ye wish to stand?

When ye the voice of God obey,  
Hear His command:

Depart from me, I know ye not;  
This ye have chosen as your lot;  
In life my commandments ye forgot,  
Thus forever damned!

Then let the Press its work renew;  
Both you and I,

With greater vigor life pursue,  
The moments fly,  
And soon, too soon, will come the call,  
The journey reached by one and all.  
Let no such words of anguish fall,  
"They did not try."

LENORE CARY GREGORY.

LaFayette, Ind.

## THE PRESS.

(Read at meeting of State Board of Superintendents at Muncie.)

The wise man said, "Let me write the songs of a nation and I care not who makes the laws." Living in this, the twentieth century, he would rather exclaim, "Let me control the press of a nation and I will make the laws." So much mightier than any other influence is that of the strong, exultant, relentless press that makes human thought to-day. Rob our country of the press, and what mind could picture the results of such a calamity? The newspapers have become the very nerve centers of our civilization, while the telegraph and cable are the means, extending in every direction and forming a complete network about old mother earth.

The great problem with the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has been, and is now, to secure the use of this great force in our battle for "God, Home and Every Land." No doubt we are all convinced that we shall never come into our kingdom until we have laid under tribute the great teeming presses of the world, so that with every throb they will send out leaves which shall truly be "for the healing of the nations."

The Press department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has been the outcome of a wonderful evolution, and we, of to-day, are realizing what the members of the crusade worked and prayed for, and we know now that while our temperance lecturers and evangelists are addressing possibly thousands of people in one day, our fifteen thousand papers are speaking to at least twenty millions. Wonderful, but true, and oh! what it means to our blessed cause.

The editorial doors opened to us very slowly at first, but they were opened, thank God, and we entered and there shall we remain until the public is enlightened and educated to know, not that intemperance is a great evil, but that alcohol is poison and the liquor traffic a crime.

Editors who once refused to use our articles, announcements, etc., are now very glad to get them, since they see and know how very much alive and in earnest we are in our work, and the wonderful prestige we have gained, so that we are no longer suppliants. But the question now which concerns us is how we shall keep possession of the goodly land upon which we have entered, and so cultivate it that it will bring forth an abundant harvest.

I do not mean to say that all of the papers are converted to prohibition; far from it, for some do not always tell the truth about us, but the encouraging fact is that the general press has experienced a change of heart on the temperance question and are willing to give both sides a hearing, and what a wonderful victory that is!

The especial aim of this department of our work is to provide the general public with temperance reading matter, and let them know what we are accomplishing; and it is not that we may increase the praise of men that we want an organization reported, but that our influence may spread, and "an arrest of thought" come to the thousands who would never attend a temperance lecture or read a temperance paper. Some person may read of some great victory or achievement of ours, and naturally will want to know more of our organization and perhaps ere long becomes one of our most cordial supporters.

A physician may be led to investigate the subject of non-alcoholic medication by reading that the death rate in temperance hospitals is only one-half that in hospitals where alcohol is used, and so on we might mention several ways in which great good might be

accomplished through the publishing of our work. All other departments are largely dependent upon the Press department for their presentation before the public, and they afford an almost exhaustless supply of facts, the publication of which is of the utmost importance to our members, as well as of general interest. A temperance column in every paper published in this land would mean the enlightenment of the people in every city, town or village, and if faithfully conducted would bring magnificent results.

Women of the W. C. T. U. claim the press for God and humanity, and demand that it raise its standard until its aim be so to tell the story of to-day as to make the world better to-morrow.

From the beginning the Temperance Crusade has had the power of the Christ-love in it. A child of consecration and prayer, it went forth to meet opposition and hatred on the threshold of saloons and in the slums of great cities, and met with enemies most cruel. But it has been about its Father's business, all these years going about doing good to all mankind. It has been a wonderful blessing to little children, and is making for them straight paths through scientific knowledge and protecting laws.

In our struggle against the one common enemy, the saloon, let our Press Department be a sort of an intelligence office for all those engaged in the battle of humanity.

LAURA G. CAMMACK,  
State Supt. Press Work.

Converse, Ind.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

I have done very little since I laid down my pen, after writing the little for the August MESSAGE, but watch anxiously by the sick bed of my loved ones. The one is coming slowly back to health again, the other is gone beyond my reach, where the little ones are safe in His loving care. But, O, the comfort I am receiving from so many letters of sympathy from my dear white ribbon friends over the State, although I read them through my blinding tears.

"But who shall say that spite my tears,  
I am not happier to-day,  
Because a sweet soul came my way,  
And that his image shall not stay  
Through all the years."

It will be my purpose to reply to each one of your loving messages, but if I should fail to do so I hope any one thus neglected will forgive me.

The other State officers have so willingly taken up my work in addition to their own, and done all so well, that our cause has been greatly strengthened and built up. I have had reports of good work being done by County Presidents and others in their respective localities. New Unions are being added each week, and loyal, trusting hearts are coming to us. I know their help and presence will be appreciated by all, and in turn, you, dear hearts, who have just started, will receive a blessing also. Our dear National President has so wisely said, "No woman can come in touch with the W. C. T. U. without being educated."

Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger and Mrs. Lee are doing good work in the southern and Mrs. Brand and Miss Sears in the northern and central parts of the State. Mrs. McWhirter and Mrs. Gibson have answered many calls for organization. The rank and file have been willing to lend a hand, so that I can but believe when we meet at Hartford City in a few weeks, in our State Convention, there will be much over which to rejoice, and let us hope very little to regret. It is not too soon now for local Unions to commence planning to send their full number of delegates to the State Convention. Very few women attend either State or County conventions who do not receive new inspiration and courage, and more than repay their home Union the price of their expenses. Our faithful Treasurer writes me she has already sent out a large number of the little envelopes, with instructions for holding public meetings for prayer and thank-offerings. If the proper effort is put forth for the success of those meetings they will not fail to bring about a great spiritual uplift to our friends, as well as our membership, and also give financial help for our work.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## HAVE YOU A BOY TO SPARE?

The saloon must have boys, or it must shut up shop. Can't you furnish it one? It is a great factory and unless it can get about 2,000,000 from each generation for raw material some of these factories must close out, and its operators must be thrown upon a cold world and the public revenue will dwindle. "Wanted—2,000,000 boys," is the notice. One family out of every five must contribute a boy to keep up the supply. Will you help? The Minotaur of Crete had to have a trireme full of fair maidens each year, but the Minotaur of America demands a city full of boys each year. Have you contributed a boy? Our boys, as well as their fathers and mothers, may well give serious thought to the question asked on a placard

posted among the advertisements in some street cars. The placard reads as follows: "A saloon can no more be run without using up boys than a flouring mill without wheat or a saw-mill without logs. The only question is: Whose boys? Yours or mine? Our boys or our neighbors'?"

A part of the responsibility of answering that question falls upon the boys themselves. Are they willing to ruin themselves to help support a saloon-keeper?—*Exchange.*

## CIGARETTES.

J. B. Millard, Superintendent of the city schools, Los Angeles, California, says: "Laziness, nervousness, loss of power, inattention, lack of ambition and inability to work are the general symptoms of this disastrous tobacco habit, which, in my opinion, has driven more boys from the public schools than any other one thing, and has been the ruin of hundreds of boys."

Dr. Hurbert E. Fisk, the eminent educator at the head of the preparatory department of the Northwestern University, has been investigating the results of cigarette smoking among the young students in that institution, and has become so convinced that the vice is a ruinous one, that he has asked all the boys now in attendance who cannot or will not abandon it, to leave, and offers, if they will do so, to refund all the tuition and fees that have been paid; he says that statistics covering several years show that of the students who rank in the first twenty-five per cent in scholarship only two in one hundred smoke cigarettes, while of those in the lowest twenty-five per cent in rank, more than half are addicted to the smoking habit. He declares, further, that the habitual cigarette smokers are entirely incapable of keeping up with their classes and passing the examination, and that it is useless to try and educate them if they will not reform.

This accords with the opinion of most medical men and teachers as well. A crusade against the habit, starting with the instructions of parents and teachers, and preceding with the education of the youngsters on the subject, is badly needed.

## ANTI-CIGARETTE LEAGUE.

The plans of the Anti-Cigarette League were found to be very successful in New York in the memorable campaign of 1893-94, when Hon. Chas. Bulkley Hubbell, of the New York City Board of Education, introduced them to try to check the cigarette evil. Thousands of boys who joined the League at that time are now occupying positions of honor and trust and are free from the enslaving tobacco habit. The rallying cry in those campaigns was: "The cigarette must go. The public school boys say so." The boys themselves are easily enlisted as active workers when the right appeal is made to their good sense, their manliness and their patriotism.

In Norway, tax paying women and the wives of tax paying men have been granted full municipal suffrage, but the greatest single step of progress the world has ever made in the line of equal rights for both men and women was made in 1902, when Federated Australia granted full national suffrage to 800,000 women, not as a result of any single effort, but as a grand climax to many smaller victories.

## FROM HARTFORD CITY.

My Dear Sisters and Co-Workers: As we have invited you to our little city to hold our State convention, I urge upon each one, let us begin now to plan to make this convention the best we have ever had. I do not say this simply because you are coming to us, not that alone, but because we must be on the aggressive or we will retrograde and die.

The stalwart foe against which we are battling is alert to its best interests, putting forth its best efforts to succeed in its nefarious business. Shall we do less in our righteous cause? Nay, rather shall not we betake ourselves to much prayer, realizing, as we do, that this is God's cause, and it is only through and by His omnipotent power we shall be able to accomplish anything? If we see the desire of our hearts—the rum traffic driven from our land—it will take self-denial and sacrifice. Is your boy and your girl worth it? What will you take for your bright-eyed boy and rosy-cheeked girl? Let the answer to this question measure our efforts from now until October, and you will go away from our little city hearing on every hand, "That was the best convention I ever attended," "What a vast amount of work has been done this last quarter!" Shall we have it so? God grant it.

E. A. WILLIS.

I cannot consent, as your queen, to take revenue from that which destroys the bodies and souls of my subjects.—*Queen of Madagascar.*



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Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind.

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## GENERAL OFFICERS AND BRANCH SECRETARIES.

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The Indiana W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Hartford City October 16-20.

The National W. C. T. U. convention will be held in the Ninth-street Baptist Church, Cincinnati, O., November 13-18.

The Kentucky W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Lancaster October 2 to 4. Our Indiana women who live near enough or who have friends there should attend.

Every W. C. T. U. Union in Indiana is entitled to the following representation in our State convention: The local President and one delegate. Unions having more than twenty paid-up regular members are entitled to send, besides the two mentioned, one delegate for every twenty members. Please elect delegates immediately and arrange to pay their expenses to the convention. The Corresponding Secretary should send the full names and addresses of all delegates and alternates to Mrs. E. A. Willis, Hartford City. Places of entertainment will be assigned to all delegates whose names are sent in on time.

Literature wall pockets have been put up in railroad stations and elsewhere by the W. C. T. U. Strange as it may seem to some of our readers, these pockets are empty. Empty pockets greet the eye of the traveler in nearly all of the railroad stations. The letters "W. C. T. U." are plainly to be seen on the pockets, but they too plainly show an indifference to be at all interesting to the White Ribboner whose life is devoted to the W. C. T. U. cause. Women, if you have grown careless or indifferent in regard to the distribution of literature in this one very effective way, please give the responsibility over to some of our young people. Everywhere young people are courageous, and if they are interested will do much to help bring success. Do not allow the wall pockets to remain empty. Fill them and systematically plan to keep them filled.

A son has arrived to bless and brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Wright (Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright.) The MESSAGE joins with the great White Ribbon host of the whole world in extending congratulations to the parents. Mr. Wright is a temperance lecturer and Mrs. Wright is Secretary of our World's and National Y. W. C. T. U.

In the Southland there are 27,000 saloons, while New York State alone has 34,000 saloons. Some of the Southern States are almost wholly under prohibitory law through local option.

In the death of Mrs. E. E. Kennedy, of Wabash, our cause has lost a valiant worker—a crusader who led the forces. During the years which have passed she always worked and encouraged others. She hath done what she could.

An Uncrowned Queen.—The story of the life of Frances E. Willard, by Mrs. Bernie Babcock, recently published, was written at the suggestion of its publishers, F. H. Revell & Co., to fill a long felt need for a short, simple story of the life of the foremost woman of the past century. This fascinating life story will be enjoyed by all, and will soon find a place in nearly every college and school library in the land, as well as in the homes of our best people.

Five thousand dollars in free will offerings from our State will enable the officers to send out a hundred copies of the Annual Report to prominent people who would read them, and so be stronger to help the temperance work. It will keep two or three good speakers and organizers in the field most of the winter.

## MONUMENTS TO THE SOLDIERS.

Dedicated to Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley.  
By Mrs. Flora T. Neff, Logansport, Ind.

Monuments to the soldiers!  
We're building them grand and high,  
To Gray and to Blue,  
The noble and true,  
Who went forth together to die.  
In memory of the soldiers,  
Sleeping on hillside and plain;  
But what of the one hundred thousand per year,  
Which Uncle Sam's rum hath slain?

CHORUS.

Just as innocent, just as true,  
Just as noble as Gray or Blue,  
Just as sweet in their childhood hours,  
Just as fragrant the spring-time flowers,  
Just as dear was the slumber song,  
Just as far from the pathway of sin,  
Till our government said "walk in!"  
Monuments to the soldiers!  
Drunkard, come tell me, do,  
When Uncle Sam's rum seller beggars your home,  
Yourself and your family true,  
Yes, when he has taken your very last cent,  
How does he remember you?

Pensions for the kindred!  
To keep the wolf from the door,  
For widows who moan,  
And orphans who groan:  
"He'll never come back to us more."  
Beautiful homes for the soldiers,  
Aged and worn in the strife,  
But where are the homes for the tottering wrecks,  
Our rum traffic makes for life?

Our President goes a hunting,  
Out on the mountains high,  
For bear in his cave,  
And lion so brave,  
And, "oh, what a big boy am I!"  
Protecting the sheep in the valley,  
Lest one should be stolen away,  
But has he the courage to strike at this foe,  
This man-eating beast of prey?

## LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION.

CALL TO CONVENTION.

The ninth annual convention of the Indiana Senior Loyal Temperance Legion will be held in Hartford City, Indiana, Saturday morning, October 17, 1903.

During the past year much good work has been done in our State. Every State officer and Superintendent has been urged to get full reports of this work, but they cannot do so unless every local Superintendent sees to it that her reports are sent in. Can we not have everything done for the year reported at Hartford City? If we do, the reports will have to be sent in to the proper officers before convention time. Send all Senior reports to Miss Susie McWhirter, Greencastle, Indiana, for the entire year.

We call not only for your reports, but we call you. Why not make our ninth convention a "rouser?" Come yourself and bring all your Senior Legioners with you. Would it not be glorious if we could have one convention with every officer present and a large voting convention? It would be inspiring certainly, if our mothers would be compelled to line up around the wall during our convention.

Remember that only Seniors are voting members of the convention, though we are always glad to have the Juniors with us. Come to Hartford City with your entire Senior Legion. They will get inspiration there that they could not get any place else. Learn the Indiana rally cry and let us give it in convention. Here it is:

"Rah! Rah! Rah!  
Clover blossoms, we're a-field.  
Why?  
Saloons must die!  
Hear their knell,  
Indiana L. T. L."

Hartford City, 1903! Come. Bring big delegations and big reports.

SUSIE McWHIRTER,  
Cor. Secretary.

EDITH HILLIS,  
President.

## IMPORTANT.

In order to make up my report for the State convention it will be necessary to close the books on the 25th of September, and all Senior local Treasurers are requested to mail their reports in time to reach me by that date, and oblige.

NATHAN LENFESTEY,  
625 West 4th St., Marion, Ind. State L. T. L. Treas.

L. T. L. workers, please read Article 6, membership of State W. C. T. U. Constitution, and let us have a number of delegates to the convention this fall. Let as many Legions pay the \$10.00 as can, and have your own delegate. Where this cannot be done, let the Legions in the various counties go together and pay it, and then select a delegate from the County. Remember, if we pay \$50.00 as a State Legion we are entitled to a delegate to the National Convention. Let us all see that our dues are paid in time this year, as soon as possible after the 15th of September, as that is the day the year's work is done.

IDA M. MIX.

Dear Co-Workers in the L. T. L.: It is almost time for another State Convention, and I am feeling the need of arousing enthusiasm over the convention. We do not find fault with anyone or with the Senior Legion in Indiana, but we are anxious to work up our State conventions. Mrs. Mix and I, together with the other State officers, are very anxious indeed to have a big convention. I am sure you will remember how disappointing the convention was last year from the standpoint of numbers. Cannot we have larger delegations this year? and cannot we get our officers better distributed over the State? From the reports received by Mrs. Mix, I find that there are several good strong Senior Legions in our State, and they ought to make a showing at the convention. Sisters,

are you making the L. T. L. work a subject of prayer? Are you interested as you ought to be? I beg that you turn your attention to our work and see to it that the State Senior Loyal Temperance Legion Convention at Hartford City is well attended, that we have our officers for the coming year well distributed over the State, and that we enlist new Legioners in the State work.

EDITH HILLIS,  
State L. T. L. Pres.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

Preparations are now in progress for the diamond medal contest, Saturday night of the State W. C. T. U. convention at Hartford City. Two more are desired to complete the class, and it is hoped names will be sent soon.

Indiana Y.'s will rejoice with Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Wright, of Paris, Ill. A son came to their home on the 7th, and we trust that he may live and carry on the beloved temperance work which his parents have so nobly been carrying on. Those who are not so well acquainted will know who we mean when we tell them the mother is our Clara Parrish Wright, the World and National Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary.

The love, prayers and sympathy of our Y.'s went out to Mrs. Eunice Wilson in her trouble at the loss of her little one and anxiety on account of Mr. Wilson's condition, but thanks be to our God, who answers prayers, Mr. Wilson continues to improve.

September 1 your Secretary will send out the last quarterly report blanks for this year. Now, dear Treasurers of the local Unions, try and collect the dues and be prompt in getting your reports out so we can send in the National on time.

The Y. conference will be held in the convention room from 11 to 12 on Saturday. We want every Y. delegate in the conference, bringing the report of the local Union she represents. Also plans for work will be submitted. Girls, if you think you will be hurried to your dinners on Saturday, we will take a little lunch to the church and have a Y. luncheon and visit together. We must be in earnest and plan to stay for the conference.

Send me the names of your appointed delegates very soon, and oblige the Secretary.

CLARA M. SEARS.

## TREASURER'S CONFERENCES.

The State Treasurer is planning as many brief conferences with local and County Treasurers as possible at the time of the State Convention at Hartford City. There will be discussions on some topics, such as follows and are of practical value to the Treasurers: "How to collect dues," "Special duties of Treasurers," "A simple system of book keeping," "The value of the remittance blank." Think of these things. Be ready to make suggestions and to ask questions. All read our National Treasurer's leaflet called "Suggestions to Treasurers" in the meantime, and if you do not have it get a copy for three cents from the State Treasurer, who hopes to meet every County and local Treasurer in Indiana at Hartford City.

## NATIONAL W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

Mrs. Ella A. Roller, 4338 Beach Hill avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the general chairman of local arrangements for our next National Convention, to be held in Cincinnati, November 13 to 18. The Ninth-street Baptist Church, in which the convention will be held, is conveniently situated and of large seating capacity, and there are other churches near by which will serve for conventions, overflow meetings, etc.

Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, the Prohibition orator, will deliver an address at the Friends' Western Yearly Meeting at Plainfield, on the evening of September 21. From all adjoining towns our temperance people should attend. Invite your friends and go to hear this great speaker. Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, as President of the Christian Endeavor Society of Illinois, was the champion of the young people, a tireless worker for that great State, speaking, working or organizing in almost every town in the State. Later he was chosen as State Chairman of the Prohibition party, and within two years he was elected to the State Legislature. As the only prohibition member of the House of Representatives of Illinois, Mr. Stewart won distinction as a worker and speaker. The greatest applause and enthusiasm during the entire session was after his speech nominating for United States Senator John G. Woolley. That speech was a masterpiece, so reported and commented upon by the great dailies. He had a great subject, that of the purpose of the prohibition party. It called forth the best of heart and brain and found a ready response in the hearts of men who sat for the time unprejudiced.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate devotes nearly all of the first page of a recent issue to a notice of the authoress, Mrs. Bernie Babcock, of Little Rock, who has come into considerable notice as a writer. It publishes pictures of her and her two little boys, Mac and Willie. She wrote "The Daughter of a Republican," a thrilling political novel which has had an immense sale. Her latest work, "The Uncrowned Queen," should be in every home where the MESSAGE is read. Only 75 cents per copy. Send for a copy to the New Voice Publishing Co., Hyde Park, Chicago, Ill.



**EVANGELISTIC.**

Dear County and Local Superintendents: How are you getting along in the work? It is not needful that I remind you that we are nearing the end of another year, and that your reports are due the 15th of September. I have made an earnest effort to reach each County with my report blanks. If any of you have failed to receive them, please inform me by return mail and I will send them immediately. I have heard from less than twenty counties so far. I am hoping that I will receive a large number of reports before the year closes. Possibly some of you are intending to send the year's report in the last quarter. I will be greatly disappointed if I do not hear from each organized County. If you have not done great things, do not fail to report the little. Many small reports will make a large one. If possible, let each County Superintendent arrange for at least a two days' evangelistic conference in the near future. I will gladly assist you in any way I can. We are not accomplishing what we should in our department. I am hoping to see many of you at the State convention, and am praying that we may have a fresh anointing for our work. Let us be filled with the Spirit, so that we may be ever ready for service.

"Somebody near you is struggling alone,  
Over life's desert sand;  
Faith, hope and courage together are gone;  
Reach him a helping hand.  
Turn on his darkness a beam of your light;  
Kindle, to guide him, a beacon fire bright;  
Cheer his discouragement, soothe his affright;  
Lovingly help him to stand."

E. M. HAUGHTON.

**SABBATH OBSERVANCE.**

This is the season of the year when Sabbath observance work ought to have right of way, and we believe it has in many cities and towns throughout the State. At the present writing 22,396 Sabbath pledges are in circulation. Elkhart's energetic County Superintendent, Mrs. R. C. Travis, will have 2,000 Sabbath laws printed for distribution. In South Bend the leading churches are having pledge signing and the distribution of Sabbath literature in their Sabbath-schools. Colfax Avenue Union will take the first ward of the city for their field of labor, and will make house to house visits with literature and pledges. The Frances E. Willard Union will make a house to house distribution in the seventh ward. If Indiana wants to win the prize again this year we must have reports from twenty local Superintendents over last year who have not before reported. We know no Union will fail to do its part. Please, will you send in reports early?

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
South Bend, Ind.

**NON-ALCOHOLICS.**

Blanks have just been mailed to every local and County Superintendent of this department that has been reported to me. Doubtless others have been appointed that have not been reported. In order to reach these and to insure a report from every Union of work done during the year I have mailed a blank to every Union President who has not reported a Superintendent. Upon receipt of the blank will you kindly fill out and send to your County Superintendent, if you have one? If none has been appointed, please fill out and send to me by the 15th of September. If you have done but one thing, please report that, as that little, if withheld, may keep Indiana from being the banner State in the Nation. The increase in the amount of work done in the State during the past year and the great amount of interest and enthusiasm created in this department is indeed gratifying. Now, my dear sisters, report, and let others know what has been done. It is a great encouragement to read what others have done. So, do you not think it is a duty one Union owes to another? And is it not a duty we owe to the public to let our light shine to help others out of the darkness? In my annual report every Union will be given credit for work done. If you could but realize how much pleasure it would give a State Superintendent to receive a report from every Union, certainly no one would begrudge the little time spent in making out the report and the spending of two cents on postage.

Every Union has received a free package of literature. Please report what disposition has been made of it and the results of that disposition.

Lovingly yours for a full report of work done in this department.

AMANDA T. WHITSON,  
State Superintendent.

3335 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis.

**SABBATH OBSERVANCE.**

All the forces of evil unite in persistent efforts to destroy the Lord's Day. The Sunday saloon is in itself a mighty power to take from us our one Home Day, the day of the heart. God's two first gifts to unfallen man were the family and the Sabbath; take the Sabbath from the home, and how soon the home ties are severed! The Vanderbilt engineers, in their famous plea for their rest day, said that their sons were often demoralized because of the influence upon the home life of the father's Sunday work. What pathos there was in the suggestion of a child in such a household, when the mother was reading of the days of creation: "Let us pray God to make an eighth day, so that papa can have a day to be at home with us." By our Sabbath desecration we are educating those coming to our shores in lawlessness and immorality. We pay immense sums every year to send mission-

aries to foreign lands, but neglect those coming to our own shores by our patronage of the Sunday newspaper, the excursion, the fruit stands, soda fountains and ice cream parlors, our tolerance of baseball, the theater and everything else that helps to destroy the Sabbath. Are we not uniting with the forces of evil in their efforts? Let us think on these things, whether we be the children of the King or his rebellious subjects.

**MEDAL CONTEST.**

As the close of the year draws near I feel that I must request the sisters to make the best of the time left. Do you know what a help it would be if every Superintendent would hold one contest? There seems to be more done right now than at any time in the year, but can we not put forth extra effort and have reports from all counties yet? The Lord is blessing our contest work, and He will continue to do so if we but do our part. I am wonderfully encouraged with the progress we are making, and I simply want you to join hands with me in pushing the work. Let us work and pray together and leave the results with our Heavenly Father, who has promised to bless all who put their trust in Him. I am still at 1322 E. Gilbert St., Muncie, and will be more than glad to fill all orders for supplies. May the Lord bless our noble cause.

CORA M. STEELE.

**MUNCIE MEETING.**

For some reason no report was given of the Board of Superintendents' meeting held in Muncie on June 19 and 20, hence this brief account of same.

As there were but few of the delegates present on Thursday afternoon, no business was undertaken. A grand gold medal contest was held that night, in which seven young people took part.

Friday morning, June 19, Mrs. Haughton called the house to order, and after devotional exercises by Mary H. Hall, reports were given of the different departments, beginning with summer assemblies. At four places we were to have a W. C. T. U. day and a contest. Miss Laura Cammack sent an interesting paper on press work, which was read and highly appreciated. She advised local workers to send all temperance news to the press, and short spicy articles to the State papers.

Mrs. Overman, Superintendent of Soldiers and Sailors, reported a signal victory in having the saloons removed from the vicinity of the Home in Marion.

Mrs. Hall read a splendid paper on Institute work, in which she said the public is favorably impressed with our progress in various departments.

Our State President and Miss Brehm, of Illinois, were greeted with the Chautauqua salute.

Noontide prayer by Mrs. Wilson. Adjournment. The afternoon session was opened by devotional exercises by Mrs. Ellen Davis.

Rev. Corkle was introduced and gave a short talk right to the point.

Miss Clark, Superintendent of Work Among Colored People, gave an interesting account of her work, and by request Mrs. Brand gave an account of her work among them in Princeton.

Mrs. Whitson was absent, but Miss Brehm gave an instructive talk on the origin of alcohol, its growth and effect.

Mrs. Stahl occupied a short time talking of mothers' meetings and the cradle roll, insisting that we distribute much literature.

The subject of anti-narcotics, by Elizabeth Smith, was ably handled, impressing us with the importance of her department.

Saturday morning was occupied in department reports.

Mrs. Davis, Superintendent of Jail and Prison, told of work done and successful meetings with convicts.

Mrs. Steele spoke briefly of contest work and the chance of success.

Mrs. Haughton then talked for a few minutes on evangelistic work and its importance.

Noontide prayer. Adjournment.

CORA M. STEELE,  
Secretary Pro Tem.

**ISLAND PARK ASSEMBLY.**

From Island Park Assembly, at Rome City, this year comes word that under the able management of Mrs. Mary E. Balch much has been wrought for temperance and the kindred lines of work coming under the W. C. T. U. departments.

A large party of workers gathered at the commodious W. C. T. U. cottage. Mrs. S. M. Stahl conducted a series of mothers' meetings in the parlors, which were well attended and many visitors registered each day. From the literature booth on the main island thousands of pages of temperance literature were distributed and subscriptions to periodicals received.

Of the special talent at the cottage was Miss Harriet Swayne, of Indianapolis, kindergarten teacher; Miss Maude Baker, of Indianapolis, reader, and Miss Anna Quimby, of Ohio, physical culture teacher and reader. Miss Quimby is State Organizer of Ohio and a strong temperance advocate. Three of Indiana's State Superintendents were among the party and gave demonstrations on W. C. T. U. day. These were Mrs. Cora M. Steele, Medal contest work; Miss Pearl Rall, Franchise, and Mrs. S. M. Stahl, Mothers' meetings.

August 4 and 5 were W. C. T. U. and Temperance days. The L. T. L. and kindergarten classes were in

troduced after the demonstrations, and were followed by a medal contest, in which honors were awarded for musical as well as oratorical excellence. Master Riley Nowles, of Rome City, captured the oratorical honors, while Miss Yager, of the same city, won the musical medal.

Rev. Anna Shaw spoke in the afternoon of the "Woman's Ballot as Essential to a True Republic." Her keen, polished logic was a rare treat and was listened to by a large audience.

The following day Eva Marshall Shontz, of Chicago, gave a reading from "Who Killed Joe's Baby?" She closed with an impassioned appeal to the manhood of the country to save the land from the horrible evil in our midst. A collection taken at the close amounted to over \$20.

Hon. Oliver W. Stewart delivered a strong temperance lecture in the afternoon. His viewpoint was that of the practical politician and called forth much applause.

The children of the Assembly are reached through the L. T. L. and the kindergarten, while every day affords rich opportunities of seed-sowing among the friends until results are visibly increasing.

As the W. C. T. U. is made a department in this summer assembly, as in no other in the State, it would seem more support should be given it, and superintendents of departments might do much work for the departments here, as such ample opportunity is given for all who will. Several hundred signers to the pledge were gathered, several taken into the cradle roll by interested workers.

The W. C. T. U. may well be proud of its share in this year's Assembly program, and it was with regret the workers parted.

W. C. T. U. REPORTER FOR ASSEMBLY.

**PHYSICAL LAW REGARDING RESTING ONE DAY.**

The laws of hygiene show the necessity of one day for rest in seven. Thus we see that the Sabbath rest is not only a legal requirement and a spiritual duty, but a physical necessity as well. From expert testimony we learn that when a man is earnestly engaged in work of any kind he uses more oxygen than he breathes, drawing the excess from the bank of his own body. In a fair day's work he loses about one ounce of oxygen, five-sixths of which is restored during the hours of rest and sleep, so that each morning finds the toiler having one-sixth of an ounce of oxygen less than he had the day before. At the end of the six working days he will be six-sixths, or a whole ounce, short. To restore this loss requires not only the regular night's rest, but also the rest of the whole of the seventh day.

Statistics taken from patients in insane asylums and from other physical wrecks show the truth of these statements.

It is estimated that continued labor without the necessary Sabbath rest can only be performed for a period of twelve years, when the subject becomes totally disabled.

**A Roman remedy for malaria** is this: "Cut a lemon into a pint of water, peel and all, boil down to one-half. Take one teaspoonful before meals. Better than quinine." Hot or cold lemonade, with or without sugar, is very grateful at any time, or if one is feverish or has a cold. Fasting, rest in bed, and lemons would work wonders in many a case of cold and grip.

**Dr. Lorenz** was present at a certain banquet given in his honor. Bottles were passed around the table and many of the guests drank. The principal guest, however, pushed his wine aside untasted and asked the waiter to bring him a cup of tea. German ideas of temperance are less strict than ours, and some one asked him if he was a teetotaler. "I cannot say that I am a temperance agitator," said Dr. Lorenz, "but I am a surgeon. My success depends upon my brain being clear, my muscles firm and my nerves steady. No one can take alcoholic liquor without blunting these physical powers which I must keep on edge. As a surgeon I must not drink." Is there any occupation save that of a loafer in which we do not need the very best powers that God has given us? Surely, if this world-famous man dare not drink, how dare we, who have our living to earn and our reputation to make!—*Classmate.*

**Miss Malvery.**—A very attractive feature of the coming National W. C. T. U. Convention at Cincinnati, November 13-18, will be the presence of Miss Olive Christian Malvery, of India. Miss Malvery plans to reach America in time for the National Convention and to spend several months here, returning to London early in 1904. Miss Malvery is a charming young woman, with rare gifts as a recitationist and lecturer, and captivated her hearers at the recent convention of the World's W. C. T. U. in Geneva. Miss Malvery is an ardent total abstainer and member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Her English is faultless. For those who desire a varied program, Miss Malvery's stories, songs and sketches of Indian life written by herself will greatly add to the interest of an evening's recital. Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon took tea with Miss Malvery at the Writers' Club while in London, and were delighted with her enthusiastic spirit and bright personality. Will those desiring further information concerning Miss Malvery's plans and terms kindly correspond with Miss Gordon, addressing her at Evanston, Ill.?



## LIQUOR ADVERTISING.

Probably there is not a man or woman who reads these columns who does not read one or more of the monthly magazines of the day. Has it occurred to you to ascertain whether the magazines which you support are aiding the liquor traffic by advertising strong drink? The monthly magazine used to be considered a higher class of publication than the ordinary weekly or daily newspaper. But the liquor dealer has at last obtained access to the pages of some of the high-class monthlies. No doubt this is a part of the "campaign of education" that is to be carried on by the Liquor Dealers' Protective Association, which has the promise of "unlimited financial backing," the money to be used in this "campaign of education." They can well afford to expend large sums of money in the advertising pages of our great periodicals. But are you going to help them to place their seductive descriptions of the "wholesome" and "delicious" qualities of their beers and liquors before your sons and daughters? "What can you do?" You can at once enter your indignant protest before the publishers of the periodical which so offends. If there is no sign of reformation you can cease to buy or subscribe for such periodicals. Certainly you do not wish to bring into your home that which is made a vehicle for placing before your children the most artfully worded inducements for using the poison which you are teaching them to avoid.

If the good mothers begin a systematic boycott of those periodicals which advertise liquors of any kind, their pages will soon be cleaned. If allowed to go on without protest, these liquor advertisements will trespass more and more, for there is "unlimited financial backing" at their command and the secular periodicals are published for money, not benevolence. Let every one who reads this investigate the columns of her magazine at once. Do not defer action, this is an important matter.

## INDIANAPOLIS MAPLETON UNION.

The interests of temperance and municipal reform are by no means in the background in this part of the city, north of Fall creek. This is the home of our present Mayor, Mr. Bookwalter, who believes in and gives us a wide open city, by means of which hundreds of innocent boys and girls are daily tempted and many ruined.

Monday evening, August 17, our Union (Mapleton) gave a lawn fete at the residence of Mrs. Dovie McClintock and was addressed by the Rev. Orcutt of the Sixth Christian Church, on the subject, "Municipal Reform." The speech was a fine one from beginning to end. He paid glowing tributes to the part the W. C. T. U. was taking in the great reform and urged every one present to earnest action in helping to rid this city of saloon domination. He said every woman as well as every man should take part in "pure" politics—not partisan politics. The interests of the home and city demand it.

The attendance was large and great interest was manifested in the speech. At the close of the meeting ice-cream, cake and candies were sold and netted the treasury of the Union quite a nice little sum.

In the afternoon of June 26, the regular meeting of the Indianapolis Mapleton Union was held at the beautiful country home of Mrs. Mary D. Clark, on the Broad Ripple Interurban line. Between 35 and 40 were in attendance and listened to an excellent program. Three very fine papers were read, "The Duty of Fathers and Mothers in the Home," by Mrs. Ella King; "Saloons and Their Intended Evils as Pitfalls for Girls," by Miss Olive Peele; "The Saloon Question," by Mrs. Clara Evans. The papers were so thoroughly enjoyed by all that we wished everybody might have heard them and have taken part in the discussion following each paper. The vocal solos by Mrs. Josie Lewis, Jones and the Rev. Fudge, of the University Baptist Church, the piano solos by Mrs. Davison and young daughter and the recitation by Miss Scott, were highly appreciated by all and added greatly to the interest of the meeting. At the close light refreshments were served by our genial hostess and every one said, "how glad we are we came."

Mapleton Union has had no time for a vacation this year. The interests in the homes of our city and our land demand a continued war against the wide open saloons, wine rooms, saloon drug stores, etc. No church, nor christian or moral organization of any kind, anywhere, should take a vacation until the legalized saloons and dens of vice are wiped from the face of the earth. It is the duty of every christian and every moral person to be active in the warfare and fight to the finish the destroyer of our homes.

The regular meeting of our Union for July was held in the evening and at the home of our faithful and energetic Vice-President, Mrs. Dovie McClintock, North Illinois street, with between 75 and 100 present. We were greatly pleased to have with us Mr. Edward Clark, editor of the *Phalanx*, who gave us an excellent address on reform work and his recent trip to the Denver Christian Endeavor Convention.

Our Union has entertained many excellent speakers, both State and National, but never before have we had the very great honor and pleasure of having with us, one of the National officers. The fact that one of America's most honored and brilliant speakers, Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, President of Kentucky W. C. T. U. and Assistant National Secretary, could be with us was not known to us until five o'clock in the evening, too late for announcement in the city papers, which would have brought out a much larger audi-

ence. We cannot speak too highly of the speech she made that evening on the subject, "Letting our Light Shine;" the wearing of the white ribbon at all times and places, etc. Her coming to us won her many friends and admirers, won many to our blessed cause and won many members to our Union. Great applause greeted her appearance before our meeting and also at the close of her address.

The speech by Mr. Cowgill, the piano solos by Miss Hale, the vocal solo by Mr. Will Beck and the recitation given by little Miss Shafer, were greatly enjoyed by all and called forth applause. A social hour followed the close of the program, during which time ice cream and cake were served and many had the pleasure of meeting personally and becoming acquainted with our own dear Mrs. Beauchamp from the Southland.

## CRIMES.

It is a crime to aid a man in committing a crime. Drunkenness is a crime. The man who sells the liquor aids the man to get drunk, and therefore commits a crime. The government that grants a license or permits the sale of liquor aids the liquor dealer in committing a crime, and therefore commits a crime itself. The voter who votes for a man he knows will commit a crime by licensing a man to sell liquor commits a crime; and so on. Rum, in the majority of cases, is the first cause of crime, sin, sorrow, poverty, the expenses of the city and State, the populating of all criminal and charitable institutions, and the support of a tremendous number of sixth-rate politicians. Is there no remedy for all this? The people are beginning to say, "Yes; try prohibition."

## FIELD NOTES.

New Unions have recently been organized at Gosport and Spencer.

Star City Union is holding a series of non-alcoholic medication meetings.

In the early part of September every Union in the State should have an election of officers.

Otterbein Union held anniversary exercises on August 23. Mrs. McWhirter made the address of the evening.

Frances E. Willard Union, Indianapolis, held its annual free will offering meeting and an all day prayer and consecration service at the home of Mrs. Shadd, August 5. The meeting was largely attended, and all who were present felt that they were benefited.

Burlington Union held a matrons' silver medal contest at Middle Fork, Clinton County, August 14. There were five contestants. Mrs. Mercer won the medal. All spoke well, and much interest was manifested; \$6.30 was taken in at the door. We feel greatly encouraged, and will press on and come out victorious in the end.

Shelbyville.—One of the State officers remarked not long since, "We have about given Shelbyville over." While the State may have "given us up to die," where there is life there is hope, and we are still alive; have a meeting regularly every month, and are preparing for aggressive work this fall. Doing so little, we are timid about telling it, but we are still here.

Mary Hadley Y. W. C. T. U., of Terre Haute, is adding new members at every meeting. Miss Clara Sears was with us four days the last week in June, and her talks were full of inspiration and were a great help to all our members and all who had the pleasure of hearing her. We hold gospel temperance meetings in different parts of the city, and expect to do our part in bringing about the time when Terre Haute will be a temperance city.

Bedford Union is doing grand work. At one meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Robert Reed, the subject was "Work, a Safeguard to Purity." Excellent arguments were put forth and a fine paper read on "Industrial Training in the Schools." A picnic was held at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Malott, about seven miles from town. About fifty ladies and their children spent the day unrestrained in the shady grove surrounding the home. Through the efforts of the Union much temperance sentiment is aroused and the men are working with remonstrances. May Bedford soon join the list of towns in Indiana with no saloons.

W. C. T. U. day at Maxinkuckee was a success in every way. Big crowds attended all the meetings. Forty children from Culver, drilled by Mrs. Addie Brown, the energetic President of Culver Union, assisted by Mrs. Hahn, sang "Saloons, Saloons, Saloons Must Go." The winner of the gold medal was Miss Bessie Cannon, of Argos. Mrs. Squier, with little Emma, was present, which fact is evidence of a good time. The management of the Assembly welcomed us heartily and were very helpful indeed. This is a beautiful place to go. We hope to have a cottage here very soon.

Annual Temperance rally was held August 15 at College Corner, Union County, under the management of Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley. Every township school in the County was represented by a pupil in the contests. The contestants were selected by the township trustees, and the contests were a great success. Mabel Phores won the gold medal and Ruth Conoway won the silver medal. The male quartet was fine. At 1:30 p. m. Hon. Oliver W. Stewart delivered an able address, which was greatly appreciated by the immense crowd of people. He was invited to return another year.

Hartford City Union is very actively organizing for the State Convention, which it will most cordially entertain in October.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley addressed an audience in College Corner, Tuesday evening, July 28, in view of the election August 4 to abolish the saloon on the Ohio side of the town. Dr. Moore, from Cincinnati, also delivered an address Friday evening, July 31. F. W. Emerson, of Topeka, Kans., addressed an enthusiastic audience on the street Monday afternoon, August 3, and again, with Mr. Jesse Taylor, cashier of the People's Bank, Jamestown, O., in the evening, the latter addressing the people from a business man's standpoint. In spite, however, of the convincing arguments of these able speakers, we are forced to admit that the liquor men won the election. The W. C. T. U. and others held prayer meeting in the Methodist Church all day until the polls were closed.

Hartsville Union held a silver medal contest August 11 in the Christian Church. The contestants were: Misses Nina Mobley, Blanche Galbraith, Dove Graham, Laura Sims, Messrs. Harry Fowler, Washie Spagh and Loyd Anderson. The class was under the efficient leadership of Mrs. M. E. Cummins, Superintendent of Contest Work for the Union. The medal was awarded to Harry Fowler, who recited "Dat Boy Fritz." The church was decorated with potted plants and two beautiful banners, one bearing the motto of the W. C. T. U. and the other the dates of organization of the Union. A large audience greeted the class and was enthusiastic in its praise of the evening's program. A small admittance fee was taken, which paid all expenses and left a neat sum in the treasury.

Eliza M. Mendenhall writes: Richmond Frances Willard is doing all the little things that come to us to do. We are making a carpet and filling a box for the Hadley Home, holding memorial services, visiting the sick, distributing flowers, holding our mothers' meetings and caring for our L. T. L. We have held two silver medal contests, both creditable performances. One picnic on July 4th where we had ringing temperance speeches, and two lectures under our auspices. The lecture entitled "The World Through a Woman's Eyes," by Miss Jessie Ackerman, was highly appreciated by an overflowing house, and could not but sow some good seed. We are glad to say that most of the ministers in our conservative city dismissed their congregations to attend this mass meeting. People are waking up everywhere to the necessity of laying down narrow prejudices, ignoring party lines and joining in a common cause to meet a common danger. God bless the preachers of the land, give them grace and zeal and backbone to deliver the prohibition message to the people.

Pulaski County convention was held at Star City in July. Miss Alice Ruth Palmer was with us during the entire session and gave a fine lecture to a large audience. The people were all delighted with her and wish her to come again next year. The following officers and superintendents were elected for our county work: President, Mrs. Ellen L. Potter, Oak; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Blue, Star City; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Anna L. Rush, Francesville; Treasurer, Mrs. Linda Dilse, Winamac. Superintendent Department work—Evangelistic, Mrs. Cramer, Francesville; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Reese, Francesville; Medal Contest, Mrs. J. M. Hanley, Winamac; Temperance Literature, Mrs. Mary Blue, Star City; Flower Mission, Miss Mae Blue, Star City; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Sarah Dunn, Star City; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs. Sarah Dunn, Star City; Franchise, Mrs. Mary Graffes, Star City; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. W. C. Gruwell, Royal Center; Mercy, Mrs. Blanche Smith, Winamac; Press, Mrs. Ellen L. Potter, Oak; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Ellen L. Potter, Oak.

At Sycamore, on August 6, a parlor meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held with Mrs. Della Allen. A very able paper was read on "Our Influence," and was followed by a discussion in which many took a part. At the conclusion of the meeting, light refreshments were served, and all went away feeling that they had spent the afternoon profitably and pleasantly. The contest department of this Union is very ably superintended by Mrs. Isadore Ball. To show what a hustler she is, I will say that since she has been Superintendent of this department she has held thirteen silver, six gold and one grand gold medal contests. On August 23 she held a gold medal contest, and a grand gold medal contest was held Sunday evening, August 9, at Swayzee, Ind. The winner of the grand gold medal was Mr. T. H. Allen, of Greentown. While the judges were out preparing their decision, the ladies of the Swayzee Union were not idle. The occasion was a sort of prohibition revival, and the ladies secured names of new members. A collection of over \$12.00 was taken. The Union meets regularly every two weeks, and is very enthusiastically at work.

## IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, our Heavenly Father in His providence has seen fit to remove from our midst one who has been a member of our Union since its first organization, Mrs. Mary A. Scott; be it

Resolved, that while we deeply feel the loss of our dear sister, whose life has instilled within it the principles of virtue and truth, a mother and sister of unselfish love, we render unto Him, the great Healer of broken hearts, praise and adoration for such a life.

Resolved, that we render our heartfelt sympathy to those near and dear to her in this, their great sorrow. We recommend them to the Father of Love, who doeth all things well.

LOUIE KNIGHTLINGER,  
LOTTA VANBIBBER,  
Committee Greentown W. C. T. U.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## ACROSS THE SEAS.

From Mrs. Mary Hunt.

The civilized nations are looking anxiously for something that promises relief from the perils of alcoholism. Recognizing that prevention through education is the true solution of the problem, nearly all are turning to the school as the best instrumentality for teaching the people the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks, because the school reaches the largest numbers and at the most impressionable period of life. Our German friends wished to hear about this education in the United States at the International Anti-Alcohol Congress held in Bremen last April. Accordingly, as is already known, the officers of that Congress asked President Roosevelt that the United States be represented there and, if possible, by the writer. Although, owing to some technicality in the form of invitation, our government was unable to appoint a delegate as such, yet, through the kindness of our Secretary of State, the courtesies of the Congress were bespoken for me by the German Ambassador in Washington and the United States Ambassador in Berlin, and, in addition, the Secretary of State sent me a letter of introduction addressed to the diplomatic and consular officers of the United States requesting such services as they could extend in connection with my mission in Europe.

Upon the return of the writer, it seemed proper that grateful acknowledgments should first be made to the President and the Secretary of State, in view of the important practical results of their kindness, which it is hoped will be helpful in promoting international reform. The following facts are in substance those which have thus been laid before the President and Secretary Hay:

### THE BREMEN INTERNATIONAL ANTI-ALCOHOL CONGRESS.

German scientists have made the world their debtor for their exact experimentations which show the character and effect of alcoholic beverages, but the results of these findings of science have not in that country, to any great extent, been matters of universal popular knowledge.

In the United States, first of all nations, laws have been enacted making instruction in this subject as a part of the laws of health compulsory for all pupils in the public schools of the nation. The facts concerning the nature and effects of alcoholic drinks have been put into simple language in text books adapted to the progressive grades of public schools. Our most effective laws specify that there shall be at least thirty lessons per year, from the first primary to the end of the first year of the high school, making, for the nine years, two hundred and seventy lessons in all in the whole subject of physiology and hygiene, a due proportion of which is devoted to the effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics.

The fact that the Bremen Congress numbered nearly fifteen hundred members from fifteen different nations shows the interest in this question in countries usually considered prejudiced in favor of alcohol. Five days were given to the profound discussion of every phase of the subject, including especially experimental and other research on the physiological and sociological results following the beverage use of alcohol even in what is termed "moderate amounts." The papers and discussions of these topics were chiefly by men from the universities and other institutions of learning of Europe. The facts against the beverage use of alcoholic drinks, facts which, disputed by the lovers of and dealers in those drinks, we are teaching in the public schools of the United States, were abundantly confirmed.

A marked impression, which is already reported to have stimulated action in five different nations, was made by facts derived from the last census and other official data presented at the congress by the writer. These facts show that this education has helped secure the increase of 4.1 years in the average length of life in the decade preceding the last census, the greater sobriety of the American workman, which is acknowledged to be one factor in the commercial success of the United States, and the decline in the rate of increase of the use of alcoholic drinks—the returns of the Internal Revenue department showing that during the last eleven years, in which this study has been quite generally taught in the schools, the gain in their per capita consumption was only one-third as great as in the preceding eleven years when there was little or no study of the subject. That there was even this gain was largely due to the enormous influx of alcoholic drinkers, as immigrants, during this time.

Temperance education in the schools is already so much of a world movement that great interest at-

taches to the inquiry why such gratifying results are following this educational method of preventing alcoholism in one country and not in every other. Thus the questions of what is taught and of methods are of live interest.

### AN INTERVIEW WITH THE PRUSSIAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

After the adjournment of the Bremen Congress, Hon. Charlemagne Tower, Ambassador of the United States to Germany, arranged an interview in Berlin for the writer and Fraulein Ottilie Hoffman, president of the German Woman's Abstinence Association, with Dr. Studt, the Prussian Minister of Education.

Minister Studt, having issued an order "requiring school authorities to organize anti alcohol instruction in the schools under their charge," spoke of the need of co-operation by the teachers, and of failure without it.

The writer ventured to suggest that German experience was not unlike that of years ago in the United States, by which we discovered that the teachers did not know what to teach; that when graded text books for teachers and pupils, showing what is true and therefore what ought to be taught and studied according to the best methods were ready for use, American teachers could do their part, the study began to thrive, and its results to be evident; that the subject matter and methods in ordinary school branches are the results of centuries of pedagogical study, but in a new subject like this, a good school literature is absolutely necessary to its success. I asked if the fact that there are no school text books on this subject in the German language does not represent a need that should be met in order to ensure the success of the study and thus the education of the people away from alcoholic habits.

These suggestions were cordially received, not only by the Minister of Education, but by others whom I met, representatives of the government, of popular education, and of the court, all of whom manifested a deep interest in the subject.

### THE INTEREST OF THE GERMAN EMPRESS IN TEMPERANCE EDUCATION.

In the midst of this general expression of concern that some effective method be devised for Germany to check the ravages of alcohol, a telegram summoned the writer and Fraulein Hoffman to "the Marble Palace at Potsdam, where Her Majesty, the Empress of Germany, graciously wished to receive" us. The royal carriage, which the invitation said would be in waiting at the station in Potsdam, was there, and took us to the favorite summer home of the royal family.

Her Majesty, the mother of six sons and a daughter, is a tall, slender, beautiful woman, with a youthful face under a crown of light hair. Advancing to meet us with the most gracious of smiles, and with extended hand, she welcomed us with entire simplicity and absence of formality. In response to her questions, I told Her Majesty the story of the origin and progress of the movement which has put temperance education laws upon the statute books of our National Congress and every one of our forty-five States; of the organized mother-love in the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, with its representatives in every town, village and city of the land, watching to see that the children get this particular education; of our great but successful struggle for well-graded text books on this subject; of what they teach; of the interest and good work of our public school teachers; of the importance, if the habits of the coming generations are to be influenced, of the study being progressive from the lowest primary grade; and, finally, of the results to individuals, to industry, and to the nation of this instruction. With these results it was evident that Her Majesty was not unfamiliar.

In the Hohenzollern Museum there is a picture of Queen Louise, who is represented as saying, when Napoleon I was advancing to take Berlin, "Whither shall I flee from him?" The picture showed the following lines from Goethe, cut by the Queen with her diamond ring on a window pane in the house in Tilsit, to which she and her husband, King Frederick William, had fled:

"He that with tears did never eat his bread,  
He that hath never lain through night's long hours,  
Weeping in bitter anguish on his bed—  
He knows ye not, ye heavenly powers."

As the interview with the Empress, which lasted over an hour, was about to close, I ventured to say: "I saw yesterday in the Hohenzollern Museum a picture which represents Queen Louise, after the treaty of Tilsit was signed, which cost Prussia half her territory, as visiting Pestalozzi's school and saying: 'We must teach the people. What we need is better education to make a new race of men.' Sixty-three years passed and Napoleon III went down before Prussia and united Germany. 'A new race of men' had come upon the scene. German philosophers said it was Pestalozzi who did it. The defeated French said it was the German schoolmaster. Back of the German

schoolmaster, back of Pestalozzi, was Queen Louise, the wise, far-seeing woman, who saved her nation by using her influence for the establishment of the system of public education that has made Germany great.

"What Napoleon was to the opening of the nineteenth century—the peril of the nations—alcohol is to the morning of the twentieth century. To another great woman on the throne of Germany has come the opportunity to extend a fostering hand to a system of education that will free the Germany of the future from the tyranny of alcohol, which enslaves both the soul and body of its victims. On this opportunity please allow me to congratulate your Majesty and the great country over which your husband, His Majesty the Emperor, reigns."

With quick intelligence, showing remarkable familiarity with the history of her country and of the world, and a statesmanlike comprehension of the forces that go to make a people great, the Empress responded with great sympathy. After the close of the interview refreshments were served in another room, and the royal carriage took the visitors to the station.

When, through the proper channels, I asked what I was at liberty to report of this interview to my countrymen who are interested to hear about it, I received the following reply:

"Her Majesty, the Empress, is, as a rule, very much against any publication of her sayings or doings; but as Her Majesty is much interested in your work, she will graciously consent to make an exception in your case, to the extent of allowing you to publish the fact of the interview and her pleasure in hearing of your experience with regard to this important work. Her Majesty has every sympathy with this movement and wishes it all success, and I have pleasure in assuring you that Her Majesty was very pleased to make your acquaintance."

This letter explains why the many gracious sayings of the Empress in the interview are not given here.

### A GERMAN CONCEPTION OF THE RELATION OF TEMPERANCE EDUCATION TO NATIONAL PROSPERITY.

Said a man of affairs in Berlin: "Not until Germany has as good a graded system of public school instruction in temperance physiology as the United States will the Germans be able to compete commercially with the clear-headed Americans."

Time will tell how soon Germany will have such a system as a part of her public school education. A beginning has been made. A sense of need is awakened that will not rest until it is met. It took twenty years from the enactment of the first temperance education law in America before the study could be said to be an established part of her public school system. It will not take twenty years in Germany. America has blazed the way with results that are the envy of the nations.

### AN AWAKENING INTEREST IN ENGLAND.

To every true American England will always be the mother country. The prosperity of her people is that of a large portion of the English speaking race of which we are a part. There also the writer was asked to tell how the United States is providing for coming generations of strong, sober citizens by requiring that they shall, in childhood and youth, be taught obedience to the laws of health, including those that teach abstinence from alcoholic drinks and other narcotics. Among several addresses on this subject made by the writer, three were before large gatherings of representative people at drawing-room meetings in the London homes of members of the House of Commons and the House of Lords, those of the Hon. T. P. Whittaker, Lord Michael Biddulph and the Earl of Carlisle, the meetings in the last two instances being presided over respectively by Lady Elizabeth Riddulph and the Countess of Carlisle. The idea of universal, systematic, graded study of temperance physiology in the public schools, as a method for preventing the drink peril, was cordially received by these people, who are in a position to make it a fact for their country.

In other ages nations have studied one another's weaknesses as points of attack. Twentieth century international relations are those of mutual helpfulness in the struggle of each for a higher civilization.

### DEATH IN ALCOHOL.

Some startling facts in proof of this have been given to the public by the Registrar-General of Great Britain. He has been instituting comparisons as to longevity and reaches the remarkable discovery that men from the ages of 25 to 65, when during what ought to be the most valuable and useful forty years in the lives of men, there are two deaths of alcohol drinkers, and three deaths of alcohol sellers for every death that occurs among total abstainers.

Come, praying for a great Convention.



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## RAILROAD RATES TO STATE CONVENTION

At Hartford City of one fare and a third have been granted upon the certificate plan. A charge of 25 cents for each certificate signed at the convention is a new feature. This work is done by a special railroad agent who is sent by the Central Traffic Association for this purpose. The rate will be granted to all delegates and visitors attending the convention.

From starting point purchase ticket through to Hartford City at regular fare, and get a certificate from the railroad agent. This certificate will be signed at the convention. Then, at Hartford City, the railroad ticket agent will sell the holder of a certificate a return trip ticket for one-third the regular fare.

To complete two files of the MESSAGE for members of the editor's family ten cents each will be paid for the following numbers. Write the name and address of the sender on the upper left hand corner of the wrapper. Address to Mrs. Luella F. McWhirter, Rosabower, Greencastle, Ind. The kindness of those sending the missing numbers will be greatly appreciated:

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## FROM PRESIDENT WILSON.

We are at the close of another year in the history of temperance work, and I am very sure we all have very much for which to be thankful. Perhaps no one of us feels that we have done all we had hoped to accomplish when we started out at the beginning of the year, but no amount of regrets now will bring back lost opportunities or serve as a tonic for better service in the future. Let us note carefully the plans that did work well and continue them, or be looking out for still better ones for the coming year.

I believe there is much to encourage the temperance worker. Business men in their organizations of all kinds are becoming more rigid every year in their rules to enforce abstinence of their employees. In every department of the commercial world it has been demonstrated that tipplers, much less drunkards, cannot be trusted. There is no demand for clouded brains and weak will power, except that the saloon may grow rich on a nation's poverty and send every year 100,000 drunkards to the grave and a hopeless eternity.

The W. C. T. U. was born to help change all this. The safety and prosperity of every nation, depends on the safety and purity of the home. Then our work in and for our homes must eventually redeem and bless our beloved country. And we have found out long ago that we can do more and better work by "taking hold of hands."

In the quarter of a century that our organization has been on the field of battle in the defense of our homes, Indiana has not been found sleeping in the past. By our great-hearted leaders and the co-operation of the rank and file we have kept our place in the steady moving phalanx of aggressive workers that determine the saloon shall die.

Then let us come together at Hartford City, the 16th of October, in annual convention, to report work

done; to plan well for the future; to receive new inspiration by mingling together and a fresh baptism of the spirit of the Lord for His service the coming year.

Dear hearts, let each one be willing to make sacrifice, if need be, that each Local Union may send their number of delegates to our State Convention. We will need them every one. No County or Local President should think of being absent, except for very good reasons, and County and Local Unions should feel it a duty to make it possible for their delegates to be present. If they be conscientious and diligent students, they will more than pay you back in efficiency for your outlay of money for their expenses.

But as I cannot hope to meet each one of you at Hartford City, I take this opportunity to thank you every one for your loyalty to our great and grand work and your love and kindness to me in the past three years. I have tried to serve you faithfully, and believing we will all work and pray until victory comes, I bid you each one an affectionate and loving farewell.

EUNICE P. WILSON.

## STATE CONVENTION AT HARTFORD CITY, OCTOBER 16-20.

Send all names of delegates and alternates to the entertainment committee without delay.

Each local Union is expected to send fifty cents for convention fund to the State Treasurer, Miss Alice R. Palmer, Franklin, Ind. Let no Union neglect to do this little thing.

The following is the list of chairmen of convention committees: General chairman, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; entertainment, Mrs. A. E. Willis; hotel rates, Mrs. George Alsbaugh; music, Mrs. George L. Bonham; reception, Mrs. A. L. Dowell; decorations, Mrs. L. J. Hudson; finance, Mrs. Emma McVicker; courtesies, Mrs. D. H. Hollingshead; to receive packages, Mrs. D. D. Taylor; railroad secretary, Mrs. Jason Huggins; Sunday services, Mrs. S. M. Stahl; press, Mrs. A. E. Robson; usher, Mrs. Geo. L. Bonham; pages, Mrs. Emma McVicker; telegraph, Mrs. A. E. Lee; postmistress, Mrs. Ritta Roberts; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. M. J. Thomas; bureau of information, Mrs. L. J. Hudson; cabs, Mrs. L. J. Hudson and Mrs. S. M. Stahl.

## Y. W. C. T. U.

This is the last MESSAGE to you before the State W. C. T. U. Convention, but hope to see the President and one delegate from every Union in the State. If you are a Y. Branch, your Secretary and one delegate, with your report of the year's work as condensed as possible. We only have one hour on program in Convention Church—11 to 12 o'clock Saturday—and we expect to see everyone who represents the work present.

Let all the Y.'s get a little lunch and bring to the church, so we can spend the noon hour together in a conference and make plans for the coming year. We never have had enough time for our plans. This is an important request of your Secretary; please, girls, grant this one.

The Corresponding Secretaries have failed, some of them, to get the reports to me of the last quarter. The books are closed and this must be lost in this year's report. I think you will be pleased with the annual report this year—gains along many lines of our work and the most pleasing feature noted is the steady growth spiritually of most of the Unions.

Saturday night is Y. Night. We will have a Diamond Medal contest. There are ten contestants. Music and a good time generally promised. Help us make this evening a success.

Pray, dear girls, and answer your prayers with work. Come to help us in the convention at Hartford City, October 16 to 20. Love to all.

CLARA M. SEARS,  
State Y. W. C. T. U. Secretary.

## RAILROAD RATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The railroad reduction granted for the national convention is a fare and one-third on the certificate plan. The Central and Trunk Line Associations have published this rate, and the Western will probably announce it soon. When a ticket is purchased secure a certificate, which presented to the chairman of transportation at the convention, allows the holder to purchase a return ticket at one-third the regular rate. A fee of 25 cents is required of each certificate holder, which is paid to the railroad agent who issues the certificates. It is desirable that you notify your local railroad agent some time in advance that you will need these certificates, as they are not kept at all stations.

The excursion to Hillsboro will leave Cincinnati Monday morning about 7:30, returning in time for the afternoon session of the convention. Luncheon will be served in Hillsboro, and a brief service will be held in the Memorial Chapel, after which Mother Thompson hopes to receive the guests. The cost of the trip will be \$1.25. Visitors as well as delegates are entitled to the reduction in rates both to the convention and to Hillsboro.

Be sure and send your Local President to the Convention and write your ministers to attend.

## THE CONSCIENCE OF THE CHURCH.

We take the following extracts from an address delivered March 20, 1903, before the Wilmington Methodist Conference, at Easton, Md., by Rev. Alfred Smith, in support of a motion to appoint a temperance evangelist. The entire speech was printed in the *New Voice*:

"The fact that there are in the various Christian churches of this country, Catholic and Protestant, 28,000,000 communicants, 5,000,000 of whom are voters, and the legalized liquor traffic, with its record of death and ruin, still going on unchecked, is the greatest anachronism of the century and the greatest crime in Christendom. It could not be otherwise than true that leanness and dearth would come to the church from this long-continued tolerance of such an unspeakable evil. I do not mean to imply that all the loss of spiritual power of which the church is complaining at the present time is traceable to her failure to go forth in the majesty of her strength and trample under foot this wicked, boastful Goliath; but I do believe, with the deepest conviction of my soul, that the church must fail of the largest spiritual results till she rids herself of all responsibility for the continuance of this sin-producing business.

THE POWER OF THE CHURCH.

"That the church has power to overthrow the saloon there can be no reasonable doubt. Bishop Fitzgerald, in his recent *Epworth Herald* article, says: 'There is but one power in the land that is stronger than the saloon, and that is the church. If the saloon is to be overthrown, the church must overthrow it. Will she? The question is one of purpose and not of ability. She can do whatsoever she will in this all-important matter.' Then why, in the name of God and humanity, does she not destroy the saloon? Criminal indifference is the only answer that can be given. But the saloon must be destroyed. The very life of the church and of the nation are at stake. What can be done? Something must be done and something more heroic and radical than hitherto has been done.

FOR A FORWARD MOVEMENT.

"We have forward movements in other things and must have in this, and the pulpit must lead. It is the pulpit's legitimate, divinely appointed agency to mass the forces of the Christian church and lead them to victory against this foe.

TO WAKE THE PUBLIC CONSCIENCE.

"Undoubtedly the need of the hour is an awakened public conscience. We have the exhortation to total abstinence, including vivid descriptions of the horrors of intemperance, and this is all right, but does not go far enough. We have also the zealous advocates for the abolition of the liquor traffic through the Prohibition party, but against these the church doors are closed, and perhaps properly so. Not that I would imply that the Prohibition party is wrong; I believe with all my soul that it is right—absolutely and eternally right. But it is a political party and as such cannot expect to carry forward its propaganda in the church and through the church.

"There is a strategic position lying in between these two extremes that must be stormed and taken and held by the church before we can hope to achieve victory for this reform. I refer to the civic conscience. It must be emancipated from its slavery to mammon and party. The people must be made to see not only the dangers and horrors of intemperance, but also the awful crime of the license system and their relation to it. Political action is all right and I have not the slightest hope for the final settlement of this question apart from political action. Statutes legalizing the liquor traffic have been voted on to the statute books and they must be voted off, and this means political action. But the people are not ready for political action; they do not see as they should the sin of legalizing the saloon, or of remaining silent in the face of its legalized existence.

WHAT TO SHOW THE PEOPLE.

"We must show them that if saloon-sympathizing lawmakers are sent to make the laws of the land by their suffrage or by their silence, they are equally guilty with the lawmakers for the ravages of the saloon. They must be made to see that the saloon is so pernicious in all its bearings that it can never be legalized without sin—that license, high or low, is vicious in principle and powerless as a remedy. When the public conscience is aroused to this point then will prohibition, like abolition of slavery, become an accepted doctrine against which no political party will dare to act or speak. This work of making sentiment and arousing the people on the side of conscience can only be done from the pulpit, and under the auspices of an earnest evangelical ministry.

THE MASTER DUTY OF THE CHURCH.

"Indeed, to talk about soul-saving, while at the same time we consent to allow this soul-destroying business to go on undisturbed, is to my mind nothing short of a solemn mockery. Why, if the Christian church should do nothing else during the next ten years other than rid the land of the saloon curse, she would do more in the line of soul-saving than she is likely to do in the next century at the rate she is now going. I entirely agree with the recent editorial utterance of the *Epworth Herald*, which said: 'We need not look for a great, sweeping, all-pervading, all-conquering revival of religion in this country until the Christian church shall arise in its might and smite hip and thigh the monstrous, murderous legalized liquor traffic.'



## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

One of God's best gifts to man was the Sabbath. Take from this land the Sabbath and you have lowered the moral standard. Now, as the close of the year draws near, we feel that we have done but part, but we are praying that every one has been doing a little, so that in placing them all together it may do some good. We have had nearly two thousand Sabbath laws printed, and all given out but fifty. We had the State laws printed in some of our county papers, giving a circulation of nearly ten thousand. We are having pledge signing in some of our churches, and in distributing literature we have given out more than twenty thousand copies and hope to make it not less than twenty-five thousand before the books close for the year. We feel sure that public opinion is growing in favor of temperance. Let us remember the fourth commandment, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." A SISTER WORKER.

## MOTHERS' MEETINGS.

Dear Superintendents: Need I remind you that the year is drawing to a close, and that my report must be in the hands of the State Recording Secretary by the 30th of September if it is to be printed? Will the local Superintendents please be prompt and definite with their reports to the County Superintendent and she to me? I will be glad to greet you at Hartford City. Would be glad to take every one of you into my home if its capacity was not limited. Remember there is a place in my heart for every one, and I bid you welcome before you get here. Will you all join us in prayer that this may be a blessed convention? MRS. S. M. STAHL.

## FRANCHISE.

Dear Superintendents: May I ask that those who have followed any of the suggestions in the National leaflet, a part of which I deemed most useful and incorporated into the August MESSAGE, report the same, stating in what particular and with what success? Were any of the suggested topics for parlor or public meetings taken up? If any take franchise papers please let me know. This, in addition to the reports already asked for information for the National.

MISS PEARL RALL,  
State Supt. of Franchise.

## HADLEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Will open its school session on Monday, September 21, with Miss Florence Myers in charge. She is a highly esteemed young lady with a very marked Christian character. A full quota of girls in usual health are ready to commence their studies.

During vacation there have been several oratorical contests, and a number of the girls have received medals, doing credit to the Home by their work in that line. The Home is taking on new energy, first, under the superintendency of Miss Hobart, who has been here for a few weeks, and now our new superintendent, Mrs. Mary M. Shirk, a lady who has had nine years' experience in institution work for boys and girls, bringing with her a knowledge of methods which are valuable, and which she is capable of applying here to the advantage of the Home. She is a lady of kindly heart, but firmness and energy.

Mrs. L. D. Burnett Cowan has been here since the middle of August, and is Mrs. Shirk's assistant. The children already show marked improvement under the new regime.

On the farm new fences have been made and the barn moved nearer the house for the convenience of the girls who do the milking. It has also been greatly improved in its outward appearance and inward conveniences. We are indebted for seven days' work on it to the husband, two brothers-in-law and a nephew of our treasurer, Mrs. Hessong. These gentlemen, the Messrs. Hessong, who live near Indianapolis, donated their time to this work. Others who live near also donated some work.

No one but those who are intimately acquainted with the affairs of Hadley School can appreciate the amount of work done by our president nor the faithfulness of the secretary and treasurer of the board. Miss Hobart has given of her energy almost to the limit of her strength, and greatly to the detriment of her financial matters at home. Everything is being done to develop the very best in the characters of the girls, to make it a real home, the value of which they will realize more fully when they become capable and useful women of whom the W. C. T. U. will be proud.

## ON TO HARTFORD CITY, OCT. 15-20,

Where our State W. C. T. U. Convention will be held. Every Union is expected to send its full quota of delegates. Pray that God will wonderfully bless the plans of this Indiana meeting of White Ribbon forces. We must gain great victories this year. The air is filled with agitation on temperance and now is the time to bring things to pass. Efforts for statutory prohibition will avail more now than at any time previous.

The names of all delegates should be sent immediately to the Chairman of Entertainment, that they may be assigned to the homes and cards returned to them, giving name and street address of hostess, so all may go directly from the station to their places of entertainment.

## ROOSEVELT FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Theodore Roosevelt voted for woman suffrage in the New York Legislature, and recommended it in his inaugural message after he became Governor. He was the first Governor of New York to take such a step and it made a great stir. The reporters flocked around him to ask his reasons for believing in equal suffrage. As reported in the papers, Mr. Roosevelt gave them two reasons. He said his home town of Oyster Bay had long been badly in need of a new schoolhouse, but had never been able to get the necessary appropriation until the women were given a chance to vote. Then the mothers of the children voted the new schoolhouse at once. His second reason was that many women had a very hard time, working women especially; and that if the ballot would help them even a little he was willing to see it tried.

Later, Mr. Roosevelt attended the Minnesota State Fair. The Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association had a booth there, with a book in which their sympathizers were invited to inscribe their names. The President wrote his name in their book and took occasion to remind the ladies in charge that he had been the first Governor of New York to recommend equal suffrage in his message.

When the International Suffrage Convention met in Washington last February, President Roosevelt gave a special audience to the foreign delegates, and expressed himself most cordially. To Miss Vida Goldstein, of Australia, who told him that full national suffrage was about to be granted to women through Federated Australia, he said that it would be "a great object lesson." This has now come to pass.

## WHAT SOME ILLINOIS JUDGES SAY.

O. H. Harker, Carbondale, Ill.—That the liquor habit has caused many divorces, increased court expenses and sent many to the penitentiary and poorhouse, every man who has held the position of circuit judge must admit.

A. K. Vicker, Vienna, Ill.—There is no doubt that a large per cent of crime is traceable, directly or indirectly, to the use of intoxicants to excess.

J. R. Hobarts, Cairo, Ill.—Most prisoners who confess their crime, charge the cause of their miserable and unfortunate condition to excessive use of strong drink.

A. N. Waterman, Chicago, Ill.—My observance is that one half of all fights, merely personal assaults, and murders, where no attempt at robbery or theft is made, are caused by the use of intoxicating drinks.

Charles Blanchard, Ottawa, Ill.—I regard the liquor habit as the crowning evil of the day. It is the proximate cause of more crime, pauperism and misery than all other evil habits combined.

Thos. F. Bloomington, Ill.—I have sent 300 men to the penitentiary, and it is my judgment that 250 of them committed the offense, directly or indirectly, from the use of liquor.

John C. Crabtree, Dixon, Ill.—Probably half of the divorce suits which come into our courts are traceable, directly or indirectly, to the liquor habit. More than that proportion of the criminal cases are attributable to the same source.

Jefferson Orr, Pittsfield, Ill.—My experience is that the drink habit causes divorces, family differences, brawlings, poverty, idleness, insanity and murder. It helps to fill our penitentiaries, poorhouses and insane hospitals. My opinion is that at least one-third of our court expense is due to that cause.

George W. Hardman, Jerseyville, Ill.—The traffic of the intoxicating liquors and the use of them as a beverage are the curse of curses, yea, the superlative curse of our country. From my observation of fifteen years on the bench of the Circuit Court of this State, I do not think I exaggerate when I say that at least one-half of the crimes committed and one-half of the causes for divorces are traceable, directly or indirectly, to the drinking of intoxicating liquors. The drinking of intoxicating liquors has increased all manner of crime—it begets crime. It has increased divorce litigation—it begets divorces. It has increased the number of inmates in our almshouses—it begets paupers. It has crowded the State asylum for feeble-minded children. It has overcrowded our asylums for the insane—it begets insanity.—*National Temperance Almanac.*

## DR. ATWATER REPUDIATED.

The American Medical Association, which has just held its annual meeting at St. Paul, unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

"WHEREAS, The American Medical Association, the members of which are physicians and medical teachers who have devoted years to the study of alcohol and its effects, and who are conversant with the work done by scientific men the world over to determine the effects of alcohol when given in any quantity, have noted the teaching of Prof. W. O. Atwater, of Wesleyan University, upon the food and medical value of alcohol as set forth by him in the pages of the influential lay press, be it

"Resolved, That this Association utterly repudiates the pro-alcoholic doctrine of the said Prof. W. O. Atwater, as being contrary to the evidence deduced by scientific experimentation, and that his conclusions are unwarranted by the evidence resulting from his own experiments. Be it further

"Resolved, That this Association regards the teaching of Prof. W. O. Atwater as erroneous and a source

of danger to the laity, inasmuch as such teaching contributes towards the increased consumption of alcoholic beverages by giving supposed reason for their safe use."

(Signed)

N. S. DAVIS, M.D., Pres., Chicago, Ill.  
T. D. CROTHERS, M.D., Sec., Hartford, Conn.

## INDIANA LIQUOR DEALERS IN 1900.

Rectifiers, 27; retail liquor dealers, 7,647; wholesale liquor dealers, 78; brewers, 47; retail malt dealers, 633; wholesale malt dealers, 334; distillers, 45—total, 8,821.

Compare the number of licensed dealers in your county with the number, January, 1900, and see the amount of increase.

## NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in the Ninth-street Baptist Church, Cincinnati, O., November 13-18. The Rest Room, the Information Bureau and the Check Room will be found in the same church.

The all-day prayer meeting on Thursday, the 12th, will be held in St. Paul M. E. Church.

Overflow meetings will be held in Trinity M. E. Church.

Mrs. M. J. Booth, 3646 Eastern avenue, Cincinnati, chairman of the committee on entertainment, will also respond to questions about hotels and boarding places. During the convention she will have headquarters in the Y. M. C. A. building.

All banners must be addressed to Miss Ida K. Widrig, 1915 Hewitt avenue, East Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, and she be informed by letter the manner of transportation.

Mrs. Ella A. Roller, 4338 Beech Hill avenue, Cincinnati, is general chairman of the local committees.

The following meet in St. Paul Church: The official board, Wednesday and Thursday, November 11 and 12, at 9:30 in the morning; the executive committee the same days at 2 p. m., and one or the other at 7 p. m. as per announcement.

A purity conference, Y. and L. T. L. conferences, will be held, but time and place are not yet determined.

There will be no demonstration of departments, but the State Presidents will have one evening for one minute speeches.

One evening will be given to a diamond medal contest.

Miss Olive Christian Malvery, who captivated the World's Convention, and who is to speak at our National, will arrive in New York about the 7th of November. Those wishing to engage her for lectures, recitations, etc., will please address Miss Anna Gordon at National W. C. T. U. headquarters, Evanston, Ill.

## SO TRUE!

"We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; in feelings, not in figures on a dial. We should count time by heart throbs; he lives most who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best."

The cigarette is now generally made by its smokers, so the number of cigarettes sold is on the decrease, but we must not forget that the use of tobacco in every form is increasing. This is the reason I insist that boys sign the anti-tobacco pledge when possible. If we work quietly, easily and keep at it, the cigarette will be driven out of existence in ten years, but what about the boys who are ruined while we are at ease? If half our membership work earnestly we will stop this vile industry in two years, but if every member will help, and help with a will, the cigarette trust will be out of business in a year. Which shall it be? Your national officers cannot do this; your State officers cannot; the Superintendents of the Department of Anti-Narcotics are helpless unless the local workers are active. To the rank and file I appeal. Is any woman so busy she cannot secure a few pledges? Is any woman so poor she cannot afford 5c for fifty pledge cards? If we have one woman who cannot afford to spend 5c for this cause, I will donate pledge cards if she will use them.—*Exchange.*

Consumption of 17.68 gallons of alcoholic liquors for every man, woman and child in the United States in 1900. From the United States Bureau of Statistics this table has been compiled, showing the per capita consumption of liquors in this country:

	Spirits, Gallons.	Wine, Gallons.	Beer, Gallons.	Total Gallons.
1891.....	1.43	.45	15.31	17.19
1892.....	1.51	.44	15.17	17.12
1893.....	1.52	.48	16.20	18.20
1894.....	1.34	.31	15.32	16.97
1895.....	1.13	.28	15.13	16.54
1896.....	1.01	.26	15.38	16.66
1897.....	1.02	.53	14.94	16.50
1898.....	1.12	.28	15.96	17.36
1899.....	1.17	.35	15.28	16.80
1900.....	1.27	.40	16.01	17.68

Considering the great number of total abstainers, this is an awful record.

"The hand that rocks the cradle is the hand that rules the world." So say men, but they don't believe it. If they did they would all be rocking the cradle, for we all know they want to rule the world.



## LIQUOR LICENSES IN FORCE IN THE STATE.

Robert D. Machan, deputy in the office of Benjamin F. Johnson, chief of the Indiana Bureau of Statistics, has prepared an interesting table of the number of retail liquor licenses in force in Indiana for the year ending with January, 1902, and also the year 1901, showing the increase or decrease by counties. Ten counties of the State have over 100 saloons each and 21 counties have more than 50 saloons. Lake County has a saloon for every 140 persons, while Hendricks County has one for every 4,258, the smallest number in proportion to population of any county in the State, with the exception of Brown County, which has the distinction of being without a saloon of any description. Marion County has a drinking place for every 357 persons.

The following table shows the number of licenses in each county in 1901 and 1902, with the increase and decrease:

	Retail licenses, 1902.	Retail licenses, 1901.	In- crease, 1902.	De- crease, 1901.
Adams.....	28	30	...	2
Allen.....	247	249	...	2
Bartholomew.....	30	30	...	...
Benton.....	35	34	1	...
Blackford.....	44	59	...	15
Boone.....	13	14	...	1
Brown.....	...	...	...	...
Carroll.....	16	16	...	...
Cass.....	72	55	17	...
Clark.....	66	67	...	1
Clay.....	74	92	...	18
Clinton.....	29	28	1	...
Crawford.....	6	10	...	4
Daviess.....	50	49	1	...
Dearborn.....	43	44	...	1
Decatur.....	26	25	1	...
DeKalb.....	32	26	6	...
Delaware.....	121	119	2	...
Dubois.....	47	48	...	1
Elkhart.....	57	57	...	...
Fayette.....	21	21	...	...
Floyd.....	98	105	...	7
Fountain.....	34	39	...	5
Franklin.....	21	23	...	2
Fulton.....	11	18	...	7
Gibson.....	30	32	...	2
Grant.....	150	130	20	...
Greene.....	42	51	...	9
Hamilton.....	25	25	...	...
Hancock.....	30	23	7	...
Harrison.....	11	10	1	...
Hendricks.....	5	5	...	...
Henry.....	16	22	...	6
Howard.....	37	33	4	...
Huntington.....	33	35	...	2
Jackson.....	45	43	2	...
Jasper.....	17	14	3	...
Jay.....	40	44	...	4
Jefferson.....	38	41	...	3
Jennings.....	13	17	...	4
Johnson.....	17	16	1	...
Knox.....	68	79	...	11
Kosciusko.....	31	30	1	...
LaGrange.....	17	15	2	...
Lake.....	269	224	45	...
LaPorte.....	104	105	...	1
Lawrence.....	33	30	3	...
Madison.....	183	185	...	2
Marion.....	552	544	8	...
Marshall.....	29	30	...	1
Martin.....	16	16	...	...
Miami.....	52	49	3	...
Monroe.....	8	13	...	5
Montgomery.....	29	43	...	14
Morgan.....	15	14	1	...
Newton.....	22	18	4	...
Noble.....	19	30	...	11
Ohio.....	4	3	1	...
Orange.....	12	10	2	...
Owen.....	11	12	...	1
Parke.....	45	36	9	...
Perry.....	38	37	1	...
Pike.....	8	9	...	1
Porter.....	37	33	4	...
Posey.....	63	52	11	...
Pulaski.....	22	20	2	...
Putnam.....	11	11	...	...
Randolph.....	15	13	2	...
Ripley.....	49	41	8	...
Rush.....	16	15	1	...
Scott.....	5	4	1	...
Shelby.....	32	19	13	...
Spencer.....	48	48	...	...
Starke.....	26	23	3	...
Steuben.....	6	4	2	...
St. Joseph.....	186	175	11	...
Sullivan.....	10	20	...	10
Switzerland.....	10	9	1	...
Tippecanoe.....	90	110	...	20
Tipton.....	24	17	7	...
Union.....	6	7	...	1
Vanderburg.....	305	305	...	...
Vermillion.....	37	34	3	...
Vigo.....	174	211	...	37
Wabash.....	30	27	3	...
Warren.....	8	9	...	1
Warrick.....	23	23	...	...
Washington.....	8	9	...	1
Wayne.....	60	61	...	1
Wells.....	26	27	...	1
White.....	23	20	3	...
Whitley.....	19	17	2	...
Total.....	4,704	4,695	224	215

## IGNORANCE IS NEVER INNOCENCE.

Ignorance is never innocence. Many children have been ruined, not because they were innocent, but because they were ignorant. Mothers, pardon me if I speak plainly. This is a subject I feel deeply on. You warn your children of the drink habit, but the worst vice on the face of the earth you keep silent on. You send your boys and girls into the world, where there is a terrible evil before them, and you send them blindfolded, trusting that some instinct may preserve them from danger. Is this right? You say that you cannot talk to your children on these things. Believe me, if you don't, some one else will. Your silence may prove the downfall of your child. Children who are given a mother's confidence are not likely to listen to idle stories from playmates. Why should they? There are no "secrets" for them to learn. Think of these things, mothers. Please God, when my girl goes out into the world she will not fall into the clutches of the evil one because her mother has not warned her. Ignorance can never be innocence.—I. M., in *Home Magazine*.

Mothers, if you feel incapable of imparting this knowledge to your child, get Dr. Mary Wood-Allen's "Child Confidence Rewarded," "What a Girl Should Know," or "What a Boy Should Know," let your child read them studiously, then discuss them with her or him. Modesty is a priceless virtue, but that sort of modesty, so-called, that deters the mother from performing the sacred duty of instructing her child in the delicate and mysterious relations of life, is basely false. The mother is the God-appointed agency for this revelation, and many a mother has been denied the sweet confidence of her children as they approached maturity, because failing to impart the knowledge sought in earlier life she had estranged them irrevocably. Dr. Parkhurst once said that almost every girl found in houses of ill repute testified to being led into lives of shame through ignorance. Mothers, if you have neglected this duty hitherto, let me beg you let not this sin of omission be laid at the door of your conscience any longer, but for the sake of the precious souls entrusted to you, do your best to fortify them against the "evils of the flesh." "I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me." Having done your duty in the fear of God, you can safely trust Him with results.

## THE UNION SIGNAL.

For the benefit of all subscribers to the *Union Signal* several things should be said:

1. The *Union Signal* is owned by the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, a stock company separate and distinct from the National W. C. T. U., but was adopted by the National W. C. T. U. as its official organ. The *Young Crusader*, now the *Crusader Monthly*, and the W. C. T. U. literature are also owned by the W. T. P. A., as are various other publications. Two years ago the W. T. P. A. business was leased to the William Johnston Printing Co., of Chicago, Ill.

2. The National W. C. T. U. has, therefore, never had any control over the business management of the W. T. P. A., and has never received a cent of the subscription money for the *Union Signal* nor from the proceeds of any other of the W. T. P. A. publications.

3. August 5 the William Johnston Printing Company informed the general officers of the National W. C. T. U. that they wished the W. T. P. A. to release them from their contract, as they could no longer publish the *Union Signal* according to the terms of the contract. There being no other alternative, arrangements were made to issue the paper once in three or four weeks until the time of the National convention. But no *Union Signal* appeared from the time of the July 30 number until about the middle of September, and it is uncertain whether another issue will be published or not.

4. Several times during the past five years it has seemed that some very decided change must be made, but for a part of the past year indications pointed strongly toward the contract going on successfully to the end of its tenure—seven years. For this reason and because the paper was improved in several ways, appreciative words have been spoken of it and many will deeply regret its unfulfilled promises.

5. The question of an official organ for the National W. C. T. U. will necessarily be settled at the Cincinnati convention. It is probable that a plan will be formulated by which the National W. C. T. U. can own and control its paper. In the meantime it is hoped that the present deprivation will be borne as patiently as possible and that it may serve to bring about better conditions for the future. It is hoped that W. C. T. U. members will make these facts known to *Union Signal* subscribers as widely as possible.

**The Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital** at Chicago has, after nineteen successful years, demonstrated the fact that alcohol is not necessary in medicine; and more, that without the use of alcohol in any form the death rate is lower than in hospitals where it is used. A much needed building is to be erected at a cost of \$75,000. The building will be five stories high and one of the wards will be dedicated to the Loyal Temperance Legion.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Anderson Union** had a picnic at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franklin on the afternoon of the 9th. A short business session was followed by a talk by Mr. Franklin. Supper was served on the lawn and a long to be remembered afternoon was spent.

**The Assembly W. C. T. U.** held its annual meeting at Pine Lake, Chautauqua, July 28. Mrs. Van Petten, the President, having been called away by sickness, Mrs. L. T. Regan presided. There were members present from Chicago, Indianapolis, Michigan City, Kingsbury and LaPorte. An interesting program was given. Ten new members were enrolled. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. R. G. Young, Michigan City; First Vice-President, Mrs. Seth Pease, LaPorte; Second Vice-President, Mrs. George Travis, Kingsbury; Secretary, Mrs. L. T. Regan, Chicago; Treasurer, Mrs. Sisson, Chicago.

**Wabash Union** held an impressive memorial service in honor of one of its pioneer workers, Mrs. E. E. Kennedy, who recently joined the heavenly ranks. Beautiful indeed were the tributes paid to the memory of this blessed woman, whose influence and

example meant much for our cause and for Christ in the community where she lived. Mrs. Murphy spoke of Mrs. Kennedy as a Christian and citizen. Mrs. Ross very feelingly spoke of her as a crusader and of her years' service in distributing temperance literature. Miss Parrish told of her beauty of character as a neighbor. Mrs. Haupt told of her great interest and enthusiasm as a W. C. T. U. worker, and Mrs. Ebbinghouse spoke of her as a friend. The Wabash Union has lost a valued member and the church an earnest, devoted Christian.

**Bartholomew County** convention was held with Petersville Union, in the M. E. Church, September 10. The meeting opened with County President, Mrs. Jennie Guffy, in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Dick Jones, of Columbus. Local Presidents made good reports of work done by their Unions, as also did Superintendents of different departments. Each local Union reported one medal contest. Reports showed a slight increase in membership over last year. The following County officers were elected: President, Mrs. Jennie Guffy, Hope; Vice-President, Mrs. Alice Readman, Columbus; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. M. West, Columbus; Recording Secretary, Miss Ella Beam, Hartsville; Treasurer, Mrs. Mattie Steenbarger, Petersville. Much interest was manifested in short talks by members of local Unions suggesting plans for better work in our county. A very instructive and interesting lecture by Mrs. Mary Hadley Hall, of Franklin, was enjoyed, the subject being "The Past and Present of the W. C. T. U." All who listened to this lecture were greatly helped and strengthened.

**LaPorte Union.**—August 20 the Superintendent of Social Purity, Mrs. Seth Pease, had charge of the meeting. The following topics were presented and discussed: We May Learn Much by Practicing the Ways of Those Who Live Pure Lives. Led by Mrs. Jerome Adkins. Purity in Literature. Led by Mrs. Ellen Parkell. Timidity in Teaching Social Purity a Want of Courage. Led by the Superintendent. Teaching Purity to Our Boys and Girls was also one of the topics. Our County President, Mrs. Clara Van Petten, was at this meeting and took part in the discussions. Her help was greatly appreciated by all present, as was the aid of others who kindly took part in this meeting. Not only the Superintendent, but others felt very much encouraged, and ere long there will be another. September 17 the annual meeting was held. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Mrs. Sarah Peters; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Seth Pease; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mary Bell; Treasurer, Mrs. Oscar Parkell. The Superintendents of last year are retained for the present.

**Benton County** convention was held in the M. E. Church at Boswell September 11 and 12. Miss Clara Sears, State Y. Secretary, was present. She is an earnest worker and her influence was felt throughout the convention. The gold medal contest on the second evening was conducted by Mrs. Bettie Smith, County Superintendent of this department. There were six contestants. Miss Ethel James received the medal. Her subject was, "The Brave Boy." The following officers and Superintendents were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Amanda Smith, Oxford; Vice-President, Mrs. Kizzie Charles, Talbot; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nelly McKinney, Otterbein; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ella Maddox, Otterbein; Treasurer, Mrs. Estella Smith, Boswell; Anti-Narcotics, Mrs. Nelly McKinney, Otterbein; Evangelistic, Miss Phoebe Kolb, Oxford; Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Martha Orr, Otterbein; Flower Mission, Mrs. Alice Pelham, Oxford; Parliamentary, Mrs. Florence Smith, Otterbein; Mothers' Meetings and Purity, Mrs. Bugbee, Lochiel; Systematic Giving, Kizzie Charles, Talbot; Press, Mrs. Wm. Wachtel, Otterbein; Franchise, Mrs. H. Kelly, Boswell; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Anna Eberly, Boswell; Christian Citizenship, Mattie Kigor, Oxford; Contest, Mrs. Bettie Smith, Boswell; S. T. G., Mrs. Sadie Lewis, Oxford; Y. W. C. T. U., Mrs. Maude Woodham, Otterbein; Sunday School, Mrs. Mary Simpkins, Boswell.

**The Free Will Offering** meeting at Franklin was held in the beautiful new Christian Tabernacle, afternoon and evening. The afternoon program was a Bible reading and prayer service, the pastors of the various churches and Rev. Alice Ruth Palmer participating. There was a very manifest leading of the holy spirit. The object of the meeting was plainly discerned by those who were present. The teachers of the county were meeting in Institute that week, so an evening meeting especially for their interest and instruction had been planned. Professor Webb, the County Superintendent of Schools, presided, and Mrs. Homer J. Hall spoke, giving her illustrated lecture, "The Gospel of Health." Quite a number of the teachers and young people availed themselves of the privilege of hearing Mrs. Hall, and many expressed themselves as highly pleased. We hope that every Union in the State that has not done so will make an effort to secure Mrs. Hall for this very helpful and pleasing lecture. Miss Palmer followed with an excellent but brief account of the work the World's W. C. T. U. is doing for children along moral, scientific and civic lines. She gave a fascinating account of some children of other countries whom she knows and their training to become temperance workers. The Franklin Union seems much encouraged with the result of its effort in observing this day.



# THE MESSAGE.

"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## CALL FOR 30th ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE NATIONAL W. C. T. U.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union is hereby officially called to meet in its thirtieth annual convention at Cincinnati, Ohio, November 13, to continue through the 18th, in the Ninth Street Baptist Church, between Vine and Race streets.

The basis of representation is as follows: The ex-officio membership and one delegate-at-large elected by each State and Territory, and one delegate for each five hundred members for whom the National W. C. T. U. has received dues; also one L. T. L. delegate for every fifty dollars paid into the national treasury, and one delegate-at-large for every fractional part of fifty dollars received from the combined States, Territories and District of Columbia, all such delegates to be active members of the W. C. T. U. and active workers in the L. T. L.

At the close of another decade of earnest work and glad fruition, another ten years of "glorious discipline and blessed sorrow," it is appropriate that we gather with grateful hearts in the old "Crusade State" for our annual meeting. The past year has been, on the whole, one of splendid progress for the temperance cause, and the National W. C. T. U. will bring to this "Harvest Home" an encouraging report of work accomplished, of increased membership, and of an ever widening field of labor.

At Cincinnati we will remember particularly the inspiration of the crusade days, and, to the end that we, too, may be specially imbued with power from on high, let us reverently observe the day of prayer and consecration, November 12, preceding the opening of the thirtieth convention of the National W. C. T. U.

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
President.  
SUSANNA M. D. FRY,  
Corresponding Secretary.

### THE CALL TO PRAYER.

According to the official call, the National Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held this year in Cincinnati, Ohio, November 13-18, 1903. This means a return to the "Crusade State" and the immediate vicinity of Hillsboro, Ohio, the crusade town, which will be the mecca of delegates and visitors.

This fact can but arouse a universal desire for a renewal of the crusade baptism and power. That we may realize the desire, we issue with new emphasis the usual Call to Prayer.

On Thursday, November 12, 1903, at Cincinnati, Ohio, an all-day of consecration and prayer will be observed from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M. in St. Paul M. E. Church.

Will our local Unions set apart this day and join with us in the following program:

#### MORNING SESSION—10 A. M. to 12 M.

Singing—"Give to the Winds Thy Fears."

Prayer.

Reading crusade psalm.

Singing—"Rock of Ages."

Bible Exposition—"The Sources of Our Power," namely: The Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-5), prayer (Acts 1:14), the word of God (Acts 6:4), consecration (Malachi 3:10), individual responsibility for service (Isaiah 6:6-9.)

Followed by an open consecration service.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION—2 TO 4 O'CLOCK.

Devotional exercises.

Ten-minute addresses by national evangelists, pastors and W. C. T. U. workers, interspersed with requests for prayer, seasons of prayer, hymns and sacred solos.

Remember the topics for prayer always appropriate: For our national convention, that Divine wisdom may prevail in our councils and harmony and love be manifested; for our president, general officers and executive committee; for superintendents, evangelists, lecturers and organizers; for the Y. and L. T. L. branches; for white ribboners everywhere; for the overthrow of the liquor traffic; for peace and arbitration and purity; for a baptism of Christ-like love and enthusiasm for humanity.

ELIZABETH W. GREENWOOD,  
World's and Nat. Supt. Evangelistic Dept.

### NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

Mrs. M. J. Booth, 3646 Eastern avenue, Cincinnati, is chairman of the committee on entertainment. During the convention she will have headquarters in the Y. M. C. A. Building.

All banners must be addressed to Miss Ida K. Widrig, 1915 Hewitt avenue, East Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, and she be informed by letter of the manner of transportation.

Mrs. Ella A. Roller, 4338 Beech Hill avenue, Cincinnati, is general chairman of the local committees.

The executive committee will meet all day Wednesday, the 11th, beginning at 9:30 A. M. The official board will meet Thursday at 9:30. The afternoon of

Thursday and the evenings of these two days will be used by one or the other of these boards, according to announcement.

The excursion to Hillsboro will be made Monday, November 16. A special train will take delegates and visitors, leaving Cincinnati about 7:00 A. M. and returning about 2:00 P. M. The cost for round-trip ticket will be \$1.25. Services are to be held in the new chapel dedicated to the crusade. Mother Thompson will receive the visitors and luncheon will be served. The pastors and people of this historic town are greatly interested in our coming, and it will be a great event.

The Purity department, the L. T. L. and the Y. branches will hold conferences on Thursday.

One evening is to be given to a great diamond medal contest; another to one-minute speeches by the State Presidents. The others will be welcome night, jubilee night and platform night.

There promises to be an unusual number of good things in this convention.

## THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The National W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in the Ninth Street Baptist Church in Cincinnati, O., November 13-18.

Every person interested in the work of the W. C. T. U. is cordially invited to attend.

Our White Ribboners of Indiana should make great efforts to spend a few days in this convention if they cannot be present during the entire convention.

The husbands will, no doubt, make it convenient to visit Cincinnati with their wives at this time. Business men may, by so doing, find it to their financial interest. Many of our best men are planning to go on Saturday and remain over Sunday. If possible they should be there for Saturday afternoon. Every State in the union will be represented. The National Superintendents will be present, and fraternal delegates from the great Christian and philanthropic societies of this country will bring greetings to this convention.

Our temperance people should plan to attend this convention, and as far as possible our homes should send the young people. The high school boys and girls, as well as those a little older, will get much out of this convention, much more than the text book knowledge that would be gained in two or three days. Parents who desire that their sons and daughters shall be interested in the temperance work will find that they get an inspiration from our National W. C. T. U. Convention that must be realized to be understood.

Take the young people with you to attend the convention, not to visit Cincinnati. It may be a decade of years before the convention will be held so near to us again. The fare is one and a third for the round trip upon the certificate plan for all persons desiring to go.

The Indiana headquarters will be at the Burnet House, which will also be the headquarters for the national officers and for the States of Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania. It will be pleasant to live for a few days in the same hotel with the national officers and superintendents, and also to have access to their special headquarters, Parlor A.

Invite your ministers and the teachers in your schools who can do so to attend this convention. Arrange to attend yourself and to take a son or daughter with you.

The Big Four will be the official route for Indiana delegates and visitors going to Cincinnati. Through its many branches it will bring our people into Indianapolis and take them on to Cincinnati without change. The official train will leave Indianapolis Thursday, Nov. 12, at 2:50 p. m., arriving at Cincinnati at 6:00 p. m. All persons are expected to take a lunch with them for supper on the train.

The rate to the National Convention at Cincinnati will be one fare going, and one-third of one fare returning. Be sure to get a certificate with your ticket. The rate from Indianapolis, including return, will be for the round trip \$4.40; and proportionate rates from all points.

## ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION.

The Thirtieth Annual Convention of the Indiana W. C. T. U., held at Hartford City, October 16-20, was one long to be remembered. Nearly a thousand delegates and visitors were present. Every business session and public meeting was full of interest from beginning to end. A delightful feature was the song service Friday night. Many were not aware that we have such a wealth of good temperance music. Several selections were rendered by a choir of sixteen trained voices. A children's choir filled a large gallery at one side of the auditorium. The gallery was

draped with American flags and the girls wore large white ribbon bows on their hair. The choir sang the "Legion's Red, White and Blue," which was made very effective by the waving of flags during the chorus. Miss Edith Hillis sang "The Knot of White Ribbon," composed by Mrs. Hattie Brand. A boys' choir sang "Long Live the King" (cold water king). Miss Lena Marley sang the solo part of "Some Glad Day," and the audience joined in the chorus, during which they waved their handkerchiefs. The usual addresses of welcome were delightfully responded to by Mrs. Culla Vayhinger.

The church was again crowded on Saturday night at the diamond medal contest. It was conducted by Miss Clara Sears. There were eight contestants. Mr. Albert W. Conn, of Landisville, Grant County, won the medal, and in a little speech of acceptance paid high tribute to the value of contest work.

Sabbath morning Mrs. Culla Vayhinger occupied the pulpit of the convention church. At the close of an excellent address she paid a beautiful tribute to the Union soldiers, and refuted a statement published in the *Muncie Star* that a Hartford City lady had said from the convention floor that the W. C. T. U. had done as much for the government as the union soldiers. No such statement was made.

Sabbath afternoon the seating capacity of the church was again tested, and for two hours our brilliant Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, held the audience spellbound as she gave "At the Mercy of the State."

Monday night standing room was at a premium, for over a thousand people assembled to hear the address of Mrs. Leonora M. Lake, the noted Irish speaker and vice-president of the Catholic Total Abstinence Association. The city papers stated that it was the most able address ever given in the city, and prophesied that if she were to speak again there would be no building in the city able to hold the crowd.

The business sessions were as successful as the public meetings. A great amount of important business was transacted, and a spirit of love and harmony prevailed throughout. Nearly every report showed an advance in the work. The State Treasurer reported all outstanding bills paid and a small balance in the treasury. Hadley Industrial School was reported in better condition financially. The total indebtedness at this time is about \$800. Some necessary repairs have been made, and the children are in good health. Invitations for the next State convention were extended from a number of cities, but the largest vote was given to Columbus, Indiana, where the convention of 1904 will be held. For the past seven years the convention has been held north of the center, and the invitation of Columbus was accepted because of its southern location.

The prospects for the coming year are unusually bright, and an effort will be made to make a gain in membership of one thousand.

Mrs. Eunice Wilson, the retiring State President, who has the love and respect of every White Ribboner, was presented with a long black cloak. Perhaps at no previous convention has such a large per cent of the delegates remained until the close of the convention. At the close the delegates joined hands, making a great circle around the altar and the room, and sang "God be with you till we meet again." In a touching prayer the retiring President asked God's blessing upon us all, and we adjourned to begin another year's work in the Master's vineyard and against the drink habit and traffic.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND.

## THE UNION SIGNAL.

We rejoice in the knowledge that the National W. C. T. U. has at last secured the oversight of its official organ, the *Union Signal*. All subscribers have this day received a copy of National W. C. T. U., which explicitly and definitely sets forth the entire situation. Every subscriber will receive her full quota of subscription, the first paper to be issued immediately after the National Convention.

### W. C. T. U. LITERATURE.

Miss Ruby I. Gilbert manager, Miss A. A. Austin associate, have purchased from the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association the entire stock of books, leaflets, pictures, badges, and other W. C. T. U. supplies. New leaflets will be added at once and the stock greatly improved. Send your orders for any of the above mentioned supplies to Miss Ruby Gilbert, Room 915 The Silversmith's Building, 131-137 Wabash Ave., Chicago.

We are confident that orders will be promptly filled, as Miss Gilbert and Miss Austin are both thoroughly familiar with the publishing business after many years of practical experience, and we bespeak for these two white ribbon comrades the generous patronage of all white ribboners and other temperance friends.

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
President National W. C. T. U.



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## OFFICERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

President, Mrs. Lou Rall, Huntington; Secretary, Mrs. Lillian Lines, Wabash; Treasurer, Mrs. Cora Steele, 1322 E. Gilbert St., Muncie. The annual meeting of the State Board of Superintendents, which has heretofore been held in June, will be held at the time and place of the mid-year executive. An evening entertainment will be given by the Superintendents and the profits placed in a fund for department work. Each State Superintendent is asked to send a donation of 25 cents to the Treasurer of the Board, Mrs. Cora Steele, to pay the postage of the Board officers.

## STATE DIRECTORY.

Once again we urge every local Union and county Union which has not yet sent a complete list of its officers and superintendents for the year to Mrs. Hattie Brand, 1403 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis, to do so immediately. There are blanks, letters, etc., to be sent out which cannot be sent until we have the names of the proper officers and superintendents. Please do not fail to do this at once.

## TO THE UNION SIGNAL SUBSCRIBERS.

A Message of Greeting and Explanation from the General Officers of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

For more than two months you have not received the *Union Signal*, the official organ of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The National W. C. T. U. is, however, in no wise to blame for the suspension of the *Union Signal*, since it has never had financial control of the paper. The National W. C. T. U. has had the editorial control of the *Union Signal*, but the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, a stock company of Chicago, has owned the paper and has controlled its finances from the first.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has just consummated the purchase of the *Union Signal*, thus coming into full financial as well as editorial control of its official organ. Not until today, when the subscription list of the *Union Signal* became the property of the National W. C. T. U. as purchased from the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association, could the National W. C. T. U. address the individual subscribers to its official organ, although we have sent an explanatory letter to each of our ten thousand local Unions, requesting them to inform subscribers as widely as possible of the exact situation.

Five years ago Mrs. Hannah J. Bailey, the heaviest creditor of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association and a careful business woman, succeeded Mrs. Matilda B. Carse as President of this Association. Mrs. Bailey has made heroic efforts to save the stockholders and all the creditors from loss, and has succeeded in somewhat decreasing the commercial indebtedness. In acting for the W. T. P. A. she has left nothing undone that could be done by a high-minded woman and a true-hearted Christian.

The Woman's Temperance Publishing Association leased its entire business in March, 1901, for a term of seven years to the William Johnston Printing Company, of Chicago, who from that time until August 5, 1903, printed the *Union Signal*, but since that date (August 5, 1903) have failed to send out an issue of the paper to the subscribers, and have stated to the W. T. P. A. and to the National W. C. T. U. that they cannot longer continue the lease. This action was doubtless a surprise to most of the subscribers. Please bear in mind that the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association is a business corporation, distinct from the National W. C. T. U., and that the National has never received one penny of the subscription money for the *Union Signal*, nor from the proceeds of any other publication of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association.

The Board of Directors of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association met in Chicago recently and decided to retire from business. They offered the *Union Signal* and the *Crusader Monthly* to the National W. C. T. U. at a price which we have accepted and which we will pay in cash.

Having purchased the *Union Signal* so near the time of the National convention of the W. C. T. U., which meets in Cincinnati, Ohio, November 13th, and as there will be many details to arrange, it is deemed best not to issue the first number under the new management until immediately after the close of the National Convention, making this the "Convention Number" and one of especial interest.

We shall proceed carefully and economically (not purchasing printing machinery, etc.) and we trust that the W. C. T. U. members and all students and friends of the temperance reform will rally to the support of the paper and largely increase its subscription list.

All subscribers whose names are on the list will receive the new *Union Signal* dating from its first issue until the expiration of their time with the expectation that these subscribers will promptly renew.

All subscriptions sent in during the past few weeks since the suspension of publication by The William Johnston Printing Co. will also be honored by the National W. C. T. U., although these subscriptions must be added to the already long list of unexpired subscription as above referred to, for which the W. T. C. U. has received no remuneration.

May we not say that in view of the heavy expense of taking up a paper with a large list of unexpired subscriptions, we hope that all who can afford to do so will feel inclined to cheer and encourage the National W. C. T. U. by at once becoming a "new" rather than remaining an "old" subscriber. While the National W. C. T. U. in its Cincinnati Convention will settle price, etc., of the paper, we can emphatically announce that the price will not exceed \$1 per year.

Pledges in new subscriptions and from all subscribers now on the list who will kindly help by immediately renewing, can be sent at once to the *Union Signal*, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

Please send names only, reserving money payment until you receive the first copy of the paper containing the exact subscription price and all other particulars.

All subscribers who have been receiving the paper and are owing the amount of their subscription will greatly aid the National W. C. T. U. by promptly sending to us the full amount due. Make all drafts and money orders payable to the *Union Signal*.

We shall aim to publish a paper having a high standard of literary merit, taking a world-wide survey of the temperance field, and invaluable to W. C. T. U. as well as to all temperance workers and specialists.

We again assure you that we have done everything in our power to bring about better conditions and that as soon as possible, and that we could not possibly communicate with you until to-day, when the subscription list became our property.

Although the National W. C. T. U. has been, as we have tried to show you, the greatest sufferer during this period of suspension of our official paper, we have no reason to be disheartened. The W. C. T. U. throughout all our country and other lands was never so large, so enthusiastic, so promiscuous as at the present time. Let us impart a spirit of good cheer, for we have reason to be cheerful, and let us hope that all loyal White Ribboners will be brought closer together because of this temporary deprivation. With faith in God and the righteousness of the cause we love, let us go faithfully forward.

LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
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Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill., Oct. 10, 1903.

THE CRUSADER MONTHLY.

The *Crusader Monthly* has been purchased by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and will be continued without interruption under the editorial management of Miss Margaret Wintringer and Miss Alice M. Crimbill. This sixteen page paper is being greatly improved and should find a place in every home where there are young people. Especially should it be in the hands of every member of the Loyal Temperance Legion. The price is but 25 cents per year. Now is a good time to redeem your subscription pledges. Send all subscriptions addressed to the *Crusader Monthly*, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois. Make all drafts and money orders payable to the *Crusader Monthly*.

## DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The following officers and delegates will have a vote in the National Convention at Cincinnati:

President, Mrs. Culla Vayhinger; Delegate-at-large, Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hattie Brand; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson; Treasurer, Miss Alice Ruth Palmer; Editor, Mrs. Luella McWhirter; Y. Secretary, Miss Clara Sears; L. T. L. Secretary, Mrs. Ida Mix.

DELEGATES.

Group 1. Mrs. Josephine Walmer, Bluffton; Alternate, Mrs. Emily Newcomb, Huntington.  
Group 2. Mrs. Sarah E. Thomas, Marion, R. R. 9; Alternate, Mrs. Jennie Stephenson, Gas City.  
Group 3. Mrs. Elmira A. Willis, 311 South Spring street, Hartford City; Alternate, Mrs. Sarah Adair, 518 South Anderson street, Elwood.  
Group 4. Mrs. Mary Moody, 210 East 10th street, Indianapolis; Alternate, Mrs. Amanda T. Whitson, 3335 North Meridian street, Indianapolis.  
Group 5. Miss Lydia Hoath, Thorntown, Ind.; Alternate, Mrs. Leona Doan, Danville.  
Group 6. Mrs. Harriet Files, Liberty; Alternate, Miss Lillian LeDrew, Terre Haute.  
Group 7. Mrs. Amanda Shedd, Argos; Alternate, Mrs. Katie Wert Holler, South Bend.  
Group 8. Mrs. Marcella Unger, Wabash; Alternate, Mrs. Rosa Hillis, Kokomo.

Delegates to the Convention will be entertained in private families.

Lodging and breakfast will be provided and possibly one other meal.

The above names have been forwarded to the entertainment committee.



## HARTFORD CITY CONVENTION NOTES.

Love Tokens—Small gold bow-knot pins—were presented to Mrs. Stahl and Mrs. Willis in behalf of the Convention, by Mrs. Lou Rall, in a very happy little speech. Mrs. Rall said if we loved one another to say, "I love you." Afterward many smiles, thro' tears, were the result of one sister saying to another, "I love you!" Thus the slogan went the rounds, while we all loved Mrs. Rall, our "Mercy Worker," of whom we always think when we see a bird or portion thereof on a hat or bonnet.

Mother Trish cheered us up by her presence. Her silvered hair shows that the frost deepens on her head, but the heart is in its May-time yet.

Mrs. M. A. Tompkins' presence was missed, and her counsel needed, as was also our dear Mrs. Elizabeth Haughton, whom we all love.

Mrs. Pearce, who has endeared herself so much in recent years to our workers, could not be present.

Mrs. M. L. Hobbs and Mrs. Harriet F. Kidd could not be present, but they sent their greetings.

Many were the faces that cheered us; Mrs. Caroline Edgerton, wearing her beautiful Quaker bonnet, reminded us of the very first State Convention we ever attended. Many have come and gone since then.

The younger people encourage us by their helpfulness. James Mix, the son of our State L. T. L. Sec'y, Mrs. Ida Mix, has grown to the size of manhood, and is enthusiastically working for the Anti-gambling Department in the L. T. L. His fine presence and splendid voice while speaking to the Convention caused many a heart-throb of joy. We need an army of such young fellows—to the L. T. L. we must look for them.

Our brilliant Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley gave "At the Mercy of the State" to a magnificent audience on Sunday afternoon. The close attention, the tearful eyes and the amens expressed clearly how the great truths presented were sinking into the hearts of the people, which would bear fruit ere long.

Mrs. Mattie Cammack-Gibson, in behalf of the Convention, presented a set of colonial silver teaspoons to Miss Laura Cammack, in appreciation of her persistent and fruitful work as Press Superintendent. Next year Indiana expects to lead the Nation in Press work, through which all other work is advanced.

The invitations for the next State Convention were received with great enthusiasm. They were from Columbus, Brazil, Elwood and Ft. Wayne. Because of the needs of Southern Indiana, and with the hope of an up-lift to follow the Convention, the invitation to Columbus was accepted.

Perhaps few realize the influence of the Convention. It meant much to be invited by the people of Ft. Wayne to that city, the seat of the Liquor Dealers' Association for the State, where Rum Rule is aggressive! Dear Mrs. McIntosh, we will not forget your invitation!

Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, in her inimitable manner, presented, in behalf of the convention, a most beautiful cloak to Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson, our retiring president. She "let the mantle fall" on her shoulders. In a happy manner Mrs. Wilson responded.

The Greencastle Union received the prize, the "Prohibition Encyclopedia," for the best local Union program. This same Union having made the greatest increase in membership of any Union in the State was given the custody of the "old State banner." This is a great victory for this Union, as it is in an unorganized county and far separated from the influence of other Unions. This "old State banner" has traveled tens of thousands of miles, carrying its influence into every national convention held since 1875. It has represented a silent protest of the organized motherhood of Indiana in countless churches and halls against the licensed liquor business.

## A CUP OF COLD WATER.

Many and beautiful are the plans being made for the great World's Fair to be held in St. Louis in 1904, but none so greatly interests our folks as the iced water fountain to be erected by the W. C. T. U. of the Louisiana Purchase States, which will be in a very prominent place, and furnish cold, clear, pure water to the thousands who visit the fair. The fountain will be of bronze, to cost \$3,000, and be modeled by a Missouri girl. The design is a woman carrying a lily, emblematic of purity.

The question of vital importance just now is, how can this \$3,000 be secured? That it must be raised by our women goes without saying. We want the honor and credit of having furnished the money. It is our enterprise, and we would not be content to have it go out of our control. Of course we will be glad to have financial help from outsiders, but it is our privilege to manage all this. This is our project and our design. How much financial interest has each reader of this paper? Dear women, we can raise all the money for this fountain in two months. How? Organize a World's Fair Circle, and get every woman with push, tact, energy or brains into this Circle. I would invite women who are not members of our organization. Hold meetings and plan operations. Appoint committees on soliciting funds and on entertainments. Give open air meetings, medal contests, World's Fair teas. At all these meetings have short talks on the World's Fair in general. Impress upon

the people that for the first time in the history of expositions we are to have a section relating to the liquor traffic in the Department of Social Economy. In this space the World's and National W. C. T. U. will have an exhibit. Is this not a great step in advance, one for which we thank God and take courage? Send to me for printed matter. Then, at your tea, have a talk about the blessedness of giving a cup of cold water to the weak and tempted. Is not the thought beautiful? Charge admission or take collections. Never forget that our object is to instill into the people the principles of our organization, and always ask for new members. Send all money collected to your State Treasurer through the regular channels.

Beloved, this is practical work. It is Christianity. How much are you interested in it? If a Union will not take this matter up, let one or more members begin at once to collect. Time is precious, haste is necessary. Will you help, you who read this page? Pictures of the fountain for sale at twenty-five cents. Address below.

Mrs. E. B. INGALLS,  
Nat. W. C. T. U. World's Fair Com.

## FOR TREASURERS.

Please send me your name and address if you are a newly elected local or county treasurer at once.

When you wish to send me small sums of money in stamps please send one cent stamps.

Please fill out the remittance blanks you receive quarterly carefully, and see that the figures in the blank correspond with those on your order or check. Please be sure, in sending State Treasurer money, that you enclose remittance blank.

Please do your best at once to secure orders for the new State Minutes and send to me promptly.

Do not fail to see that your list of paid-up members corresponds exactly with the list that is sent to me for the MESSAGE.

Pray and work so that this year of W. C. T. U. effort shall glorify God. ALICE RUTH PALMER,  
Franklin, Ind.

Says Alice Stone Blackwell, in the October Woman's Column: "New Jersey has just voted upon a series of important constitutional amendments radically reorganizing the judicial system. The bar of the State took a great interest in the question. 'Addresses were issued and newspaper articles printed by the hundred to arouse the electors to the vital nature of the issue. Yet only about one-fifteenth of the voters of New Jersey cared enough about the project so nearly affecting their interests as to take the trouble to cast a ballot for or against it. The amendments were defeated on this scandalously light vote, and the disgusted New Jersey lawyers denounced everybody concerned. None of them, however, point to the incident as a proof that all men ought to be disfranchised. The figures of the New Jersey vote are commended to Dr. Lyman Abbott.'"

## STATE MINUTES.

The State Minutes will be ready very early this year. Much of the work is already done. They will be handled by the State Treasurer, Miss Alice R. Palmer, 398 Kentucky street, Franklin. Every union is urged to purchase at least ten copies. The price will be as usual, 15 cents per copy. This covers postage or express. You can order the minutes sent by express C. O. D. The minutes are placed in your hands for about half what we pay for them, and every copy should be used. Send your order immediately.

Mrs. Eunice P. Wilson felt that she could not again serve, and with loving regret from a great loyal constituency, she leaves the office of President of the Indiana W. C. T. U. No truer, sweeter spirit ever led a band of White Ribboners than our beloved Mrs. Wilson.

## PLEDGE SIGNING.

There are 6,500 Sunday Schools in the State of Indiana. The fourth Sabbath in November (November 22, 1903), is World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday. New leaflets and a program in honor of the day are published each year by our National Superintendent of this department. We urge our workers throughout the State to observe the day by the distribution of the Sunday School Pledge Cards. Our aim is to secure 50,000 signatures to the pledge this year. You can secure the cards of the National Superintendent or of the State Superintendent. Let this be the first general effort for the new year.

Instead of rough or vicious men, or even drunken men, treating women with disrespect, the presence of a single good woman at the polls seemed to make the whole crowd of men as respectful and quiet as at the theatre or at church. To the credit of American men be it said that the presence of one woman or girl at the polls, the wife or daughter of the humblest mechanic, has as good an effect on the crowd as the presence of the grandest dame or the most fashionable belle. The difference in American and European deference to woman I have never seen so strikingly illustrated as in these throngs of people at the polls of this exciting and most serious election. The American woman is clearly as much a queen at the polls, in her own bearing and the deference paid her, as in the drawing room or at the opera.—Hon. James S. Clarkson, of Iowa, after witnessing Denver election.

## PEACE AND ARBITRATION.

Please, dear workers for Peace, send in your reports promptly by the 15th of September. If nothing has been done, try and hold at least one meeting. Bring the matter before your Union, read an article on some phase of peace work or talk about it somewhere, hand a peace tract to some one who has not thought much about it, and be sure the good sown prayerfully will bring forth good fruit somewhere. We do not labor in vain.

I have sent report blanks, with a copy of my booklet, "The World's Court," to every known Superintendent, and to many County Presidents. Send for more if you need them, and let us speed the work for universal peace.

H. LAVINIA BAILY,  
Superintendent.

## THE CHIEF VALUE OF PROHIBITION.

The chief value of enforced prohibitory law to any State or community is the protection which it affords the young and easily tempted. It closes the road over which they would otherwise travel to reach a destination of shame. This is a matter of primary importance.

The boy twelve or fifteen years of age is easily led astray, but let the same boy grow to manhood away from the alluring temptation of the saloon and the chances are that even though his lot in after life be cast in a license community the saloon will have few if any attractions for him. The law has protected him during the thoughtless or "wild oats" period of his youth. The education of his environment has been against the saloon, and indulgence in drink. It is this fact which accounts in large measure for the sober habits and manly conduct which characterized the Kansas soldier-boys during the Spanish-American and Philippine wars.

The protection of the youth means the protection of the home and of the community. It means the prevention of two-thirds of all pauperism and crime. It means the averting of calamities, the magnitude of which is indicated in the fact that, according to conservative statistics, one boy in every ten in the average license community actually becomes, first, a moderate drinker, then a drunken sot; and it is out of the vast army of sots thus created that the majority of our paupers and criminals come. These are they who fill saloon communities with want and woe, who crowd the jails and almshouses, and who heap up taxes for the rest of the community to pay. And all to satisfy the greed of debased humanity and the appetites of weak-willed victims, both of which classes speedily degenerate into cruel brutishness—devoid, sooner or later, of moral sense—physical, social, intellectual and spiritual suicides. These are some of the unspeakable calamities which are visited upon licensed communities, but which Kansas prohibition, by protecting Kansas youth, prevents in a large part of Kansas territory.—National Advocate.

## THE WILLARD HOSPITAL, OF CHICAGO—LAYING OF CORNER STONE.

Impressive exercises marked the laying of the corner stone of the new home of the Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital, which is situated on Lincoln street, between Polk and Harrison streets. September 28 was chosen for the ceremony, as that was the birthday of Miss Willard. The speakers on the program were H. B. Brown, president of Valparaiso College; Samuel Dickie, president of Albion College; Dr. N. S. Davis, Rev. M. A. Phillips, of the Park Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, and John G. Woolley.

Mrs. C. E. Bigelow, who was in charge of the ceremony, quoted the words spoken by Miss Willard at the dedication of the National Temperance hospital on Cottage Grove avenue, nineteen years ago, as follows:

"This hospital is the latest milestone on the highway of progress in American temperance reform. The principle of non-alcoholic medication must be accepted before Prohibition can be established on firm foundations. The growth of this enterprise is such that we must have a building, and measures to that end will doubtless be taken at an early date."

Mrs. Margaret Ingleheart, who has been president of the hospital association since 1890, superintended the laying of the corner stone.

Mrs. J. B. Hobbs deposited an iron box in the corner stone, in which is a large tablet bearing the name of the institution and the date of the ceremony.

The hospital occupies a site opposite the county hospital, and almost in the center of the great medical district of the west side. It was incorporated in 1884 by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The hospital is now housed in the homestead of Jacob Biedler, of Jackson Boulevard and Sangamon street. The hospital is being constructed at a cost of \$50,000. The project was aided by a bequest of \$25,000 from William H. Bush. Contractor Henry Kies, in charge of the structure, promised that no intoxicating liquors would be used by his workmen while the building was under construction. He says the promise has not been violated.

The hospital will be five stories in height, with a frontage of ninety-five feet. It is thought the equipment will cost \$20,000. The staff will include prominent members of the allopathic, homeopathic and eclectic schools of medicine. In the treatment of all cases alcohol is forbidden. The only similar institution is the famous London Temperance Hospital.—New Voice.



## CLASSES IN PARLIAMENTARY LAW.

You have again given to me the department of Parliamentary Usage, and now I appeal to you to help advance the work throughout the State. Our adopted authority is Roberts' Rules of Order, which can be purchased at almost any book store; price, 75c. Joseph T. Roberts' Primer of Parliamentary Law, price 75c, is very helpful and easily understood. Lillian Cole Bethel's "Question Book" costs 25c; her address is 738 East Long st., Columbus, Ohio. Every one ought to have our National Superintendent's parliamentary card, price 5c. Order of Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, Portland, Mich., or of me.

During the past year I conducted a class of 66 members through a six months' course of one lesson per month. If members of this class wish to take another course I will receive them upon the same terms as last year—10c per member.

Any persons who did not take the course last year and wish to begin can do so by sending their names and 10c. This little charge is to help defray the expense of postage and cards. All names should be enrolled by December 15th. The first lesson will be sent out January 1st.

MRS. HATTIE WRIGHT BRAND,  
1403 Ashland Ave., Indianapolis.

## THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

## RAILROAD RATES.

The rate of one and a third fare upon the certificate plan for the round trip to Cincinnati has been granted. Delegates and visitors should secure a certificate when they purchase their tickets. These must be presented to the chairman of transportation at the convention and will entitle the holder to the reduction on the return ticket. At the convention the railroad agent will charge each certificate holder 25 cents for vising the certificate. Give your station agent timely notice that certificates will be needed as they are not always kept on hand. Secure a certificate for each road you travel over. The trip must be continuous. Tickets will be on sale November 7 and good until November 23.

All delegates are requested not to deliver their checks for baggage to any one at the depot. Arrangements have been made with the Cincinnati Railroad Omnibus Company for the delivery of trunks and valises for 25 cents each within certain limits, and for 50 cents and 25 cents, respectively, for delivery to the suburbs. An agent for this company will be stationed at the convention church door to receive the checks.

## HEADQUARTERS.

The headquarters of the National W. C. T. U. will be at the Burnet House, corner of Third and Vine streets. It is a house much patronized by ladies, and is said to have the prettiest dining-room west of the Alleghanies. The proprietor has closed the bar in honor of his White Ribbon guests.

The Burnet House will also be the headquarters for the Massachusetts, New York and Indiana delegations.

By special arrangement, the Indiana people can get meals and room for \$2.50 per day each, with several ladies in one room, and room can be had for \$1.00 per day each, with several ladies in one room. Gentlemen with their wives will get advantage of the same rate. To secure this rate it will be necessary for it to be known that you come from Indiana.

The Burnet House is the best in Cincinnati. It has recently been renovated and furnished by Mr. T. J. Culen, manager, who was for years manager of the New Denison, in Indianapolis. It is through his courtesy that the people from Indiana, his own State, have the above rate. The rooms are very large and handsomely appointed. Bath rooms on every floor for the free use of all guests. Application should be made immediately for rooms.

In the vicinity of the Ninth Street Baptist Church there are restaurants and places where meals and a room or rooms can be secured. Where friends come in company they can no doubt find very pleasant locations in different places at rates that are very reasonable.

All Indiana people are cordially invited to come to the headquarters, Parlor A, at the Burnet House, and get an Indiana badge, price five cents. All are expected to boom Indiana.

## THE CONVENTION CHURCH.

The Ninth Street Baptist Church is centrally located, about four blocks from the Burnet House, and is one of the most commodious church edifices in the city. The officers of this church grant the use of its very excellent auditorium for the convention, and all the elaboration of rooms for committees and conferences and whatsoever use the convention may require. The entire church organization is in full sympathy with the objects of the convention.

The present pastor is Rev. G. O. King. His two assistants are Rev. D. B. Richard and James R. Kirtley. It is the parent church of an active German Baptist church and of nine mission stations with buildings in various sections of the city. These operate free kindergarten, kitchengarten, sewing classes, physical culture and industrial classes, an employment bureau, a boys' brigade and a men's club, in the interests of which there are eighty different meetings weekly. There are nearly two thousand members engaged in these various Christian efforts, with a Sunday-school attendance of three thousand.

## EXCURSION TO HILLSBORO.

The excursion to Hillsboro, O., will be made Monday, November 16. A special train will take delegates and visitors, leaving Cincinnati about 7 A. M., and returning about 2 P. M. The cost for the round trip will be \$1.25. The train will arrive in Hillsboro about 9 A. M., and the party will go direct to the church. After the delegations are seated the Chautauqua salute will be given to the old crusaders, who will be seated in the memorial room. After the services, to be held in the new chapel dedicated to the crusade, the crusade room and the interesting memorials to be found there will be inspected, and luncheon will be served. A visit will then be paid to the home of Mother Thompson. It is hoped that Mrs. McCabe of Delaware, the first W. C. T. U. President of Ohio and Mrs. Bashford, wife of the President of the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, will be present and many other distinguished guests, including ministerial brethren who aided in the crusade. The pastors and people of this historic town are greatly interested in our coming, and we will be greatly interested in going. It will be a great event. Visitors are invited to join the excursion.

## SPECIAL FEATURES OF THE CONVENTION PROGRAM.

One evening will be devoted to a grand diamond contest, with nine contestants and a special program. Another to one minute speeches by the State Presidents, in which each is expected to name a victory by her State and tell how it was won. Welcome night, jubilee night and platform night will occur as usual. There will be no department demonstrations this year. The speakers for platform night, so far as selected, are: Miss Olive Malvery, India; Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, Massachusetts; Miss Belle Kearney, Mississippi.

The President's annual address will be the chief feature for Friday forenoon. It is too early to announce the speakers for welcome night, but we may expect brightness and the usual good time.

Mrs. Maria Weed, of Illinois, and Deaconess Sarah J. Elliott, of New York, will give short addresses on the general subject of polygamy in the United States. Mrs. C. C. Faxon, our W. C. T. U. Commissioner to the Philippines, will tell about her work for temperance in Manila. Miss M. L. Orr will show the needs of the immigrant station at Ellis Island, New York. Miss Olive Christian Malvery, who captivated the World's W. C. T. U. Convention at Geneva, and who is a brilliant speaker and charming reciter, will give us peeps into her native country, India, and temperance truths with dramatic fervor and power. There promises to be an unusual number of good things at the Cincinnati convention.

## FIELD NOTES.

The Following Persons were made officers for the Newton County W. C. T. U.: President, Mrs. M. C. McConnahay; Treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Hardy; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary Cambie; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Anna Curren. Superintendents of departments will be the same as last year.

The Northeast Union, of Indianapolis, has elected the following officers and superintendents of departments: President, Mrs. Susan J. Taylor; Vice president, Mrs. Anna Clark; Recording Secretary, Mrs. George Henderson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Nina Brigham; Treasurer, Mrs. Addie Dodge; Superintendent Mother's Meetings, Mrs. Emma Okey; Superintendent Medal Contest, Mrs. Nina Brigham, 1820 East 12th Street; Superintendent Literature, Mrs. Laura Patton; Superintendent Flower Mission, Mrs. Addie Dodge; Superintendent Sabbath Observance, Mrs. Teresa Harnshu; Superintendent Press, Mrs. Nina Brigham.

At the close of the year the prize, a beautiful picture of Frances Willard, offered by the President to the one receiving the largest number of new members, was awarded to Mrs. Emma Okey, 1820 East 12th Street.

The Blackford County convention was held at Fairview, and was a success throughout. The devotionals were led by Mrs. S. M. Stahl, and the Roll Quartet furnished the music, which was appreciated by all who heard it. The leading feature of the evening was the County Matrons' Contest. A class of seven contestants. The medal was awarded Mrs. Lillie B. Palmer, of Roll. Thursday morning the services were led by the County President, Mrs. E. A. Willis. Hartford City, Roll, Montpelier, Millgrove and Fairview Unions were well represented. The reports showed the officers had been untiring in their efforts to do good. A very interesting paper was read by the County President, entitled the "Model Union." The discussion by the local presidents on how to make our W. C. T. U. meetings more attractive ended the morning session, after which a splendid dinner was served by the Fairview sisters to all present. Well, now, we all did our best that time. The election of officers was as follows: Mrs. E. A. Willis was re-elected President, Mrs. Loring, of Millgrove, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Bugh, of Fairview, Recording Secretary; Mrs. S. J. Emshammer, of Hartford City, Treasurer. Rev. Watkin and Rev. Valentine spoke encouragingly to our workers. Music was furnished by the Roll Quartet and the Fairview people throughout the convention. Miss Bernice Cunningham recited "What the temperance cause has done for John and I." Mrs. Stahl's lecture, which all enjoyed, closed the convention. All went away saying it was good to be there.

Burlington Union held a nice meeting, with good attendance and much interest manifested. The worthy President, Mrs. Alice Hanson, was named as delegate to the State Convention at Hartford City. Literature is being distributed by the Union. Miss Alice R. Palmer gave a lecture in the Christian Church at Burlington recently which was well received. Mrs. Edith Johnson had the program in charge. A good collection was taken for the benefit of the work.

Steuben County convention met in Angola on September 17 and 18. Mrs. Adah Unruh was in attendance at all the sessions, and gave a lecture each night. The election of officers left us with dear Mrs. Willenear still our President. The papers and speeches were of a high order, and the help rendered by our musical friends outside the society was much appreciated. We received a few new members, and are hoping for better things in the year to come. Mrs. Unruh has lectured at several places in our county, and we hear words of high commendation of her work from those interested.

The Annual Convention of Marion County W. C. T. U. was held in Howard Place M. E. Church on Wednesday, September 23. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Ada B. Leck, President; Mrs. Hattie Wright Brand, Vice-President; Mrs. Nina Brigham, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Ida Copper, Recording Secretary; Mrs. S. D. Lemon, Treasurer. Addresses were given by the retiring President, Mrs. Ada B. Leck; Rev. Ward, pastor of Howard Place Church, and Quincy Lee Morrow, prohibition lecturer.

Boone County Union met in the M. E. Church in Jamestown September 23. Delegates from Lebanon and Thorntown Unions were present. An excellent address by the President, Mrs. Hendricks, and a discussion of the same occupied the forenoon. Reports from the Superintendent and officers occupied most of the afternoon. Officers elected were: Mrs. Hendricks, Lebanon, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Anderson, Zionsville, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Young, Jamestown, Treasurer; Mrs. Neal, Lebanon, Vice-President; Mrs. Peery, Thorntown, President. Mrs. Hadley Hall was present throughout and rendered valuable service. Her lecture in the evening was highly appreciated. All said, a good convention.

Randolph County Convention met in Winchester, October 9, at the Presbyterian Church, with the County President, Mrs. McCormick, in the chair; good attendance. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. McCormick, of Modoc; Treasurer, Carrie Mormon, of Winchester; Recording Secretary, Mary A. Baker, of Winchester; Corresponding Secretary, Jennie Gray. The program was very interesting. Rev. Geo. Hall, of the Main street Christian Church, delivered an address upon "The Church and the Saloon." It was voted to be published in the State and county papers. His supreme thought was, that when the church strictly righted herself by Christian principles, 250,000 saloons would be but a trifle in the race for power against the church. Mrs. Jennie Gray's paper upon "The Young Man of To-day" was also voted to be published. Mrs. Carrie Tomlinson conducted the Mothers' Meeting successfully, and Mrs. Wright's paper deserves special mention. At the evening session Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, of Richmond, lectured. The object lessons she presented were full of truth, and she impressed her audience favorably by her kindly manner. Mrs. Truby's and Miss Mona Baker's solos were very much enjoyed.

Thus closed a very successful convention.

Wells County Convention met in the Salem Evangelical Church, with the County President, Mrs. Dr. Goodin, in the chair. The devotional services were led by Mrs. French, of Salem. The morning was occupied by reports from the Unions of the county, all showing an interest and enthusiasm which was felt all through the convention. At noon all present were invited into the yard, where two large tables were loaded with things good to eat, and the visitors enjoyed the hospitality of the Salem ladies. At 2:00 o'clock the afternoon session began. Reports of Superintendents of the county were heard. The election of officers followed. Mrs. Goodin gave notice that she could not accept the presidency another year, much to the disappointment of the members. She has been a faithful worker, presides with grace and dignity, and with it all shows a sweet Christian spirit and devotion in the Master's service. The officers for the coming year are: President, Mrs. Josephine Walmer; Vice-President, Mrs. Cora McBride; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ellingham; Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. T. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Bickel. The Union at Salem is small, but the meeting showed that a few women, with the help of their friends, can undertake a large thing and carry it through successfully. Mrs. French has the help of a number of young women, who are a tower of strength to her in the work. At 8 o'clock in the evening a large crowd gathered to hear Mrs. Culla J. Vayhinger, the State lecturer. She is indeed an able and interesting speaker and well posted in the work of the W. C. T. U. Under her able management and rich Christian experience she has wrought much for temperance. She has accomplished good work in the southern part of the State, and was pronounced a success by all who heard her. Very few women attend these meetings, either county or State, who do not receive new inspiration and courage. We are more than repaid for the effort of going. Mrs. Vayhinger lectured at Six Miles to an appreciative audience.



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"Not by Might nor by Power, but by My Spirit."

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## AT CINCINNATI.

The Thirtieth National Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held at Cincinnati, November 13-18, with the largest delegations of any previous year. Especially was there a notable increase in the attendance of the Southern women.

The reports of the General Officers showed the organization to be in an unusually prosperous condition. The reports of the National Superintendents of Departments were most encouraging. In all of the various Departments much aggressive, effective work has been done. At no time in the past has there been such systematic work done by the Local Unions all over the country.

Thus County and State work has been strengthened, and the great organization has made wonderful strides during the year.

The same officers were elected to serve another year: President, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, Portland, Me.; Vice-President, Miss Anna A. Gordon, Evanston, Ill.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Susanna M. D. Fry, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman, St. Louis, Mo.; Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, Lexington, Ky.; Treasurer, Mrs. Helen M. Barker, Rest Cottage, Evanston, Ill.

An enjoyable feature of the Convention was the introduction of fraternal and visiting delegates and distinguished guests on Saturday afternoon. From Indiana the following friends of the W. C. T. U. were introduced:

Prof. Vayhinger, Moore's Hill;  
Mr. Brunson Snyder, Waterloo;  
Hon. Chas. F. Holler, South Bend;  
Mr. F. T. McWhirter, Indianapolis, (Greencastle);  
Dr. Homer J. Hall, Franklin.

## WELCOME NIGHT.

Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens Presiding.  
7:30, Hymn—"Coronation."  
Prayer—Rev. Eugenia F. St. John, Kansas, National Evangelist.

## ADDRESSES OF WELCOME, (Five minutes each.)

For the City—Hon. William Melish.  
For the Churches—Rev. C. W. Blodgett, D. D.  
For the Y.M.C.A.—Mr. Willard Ball, Gen'l Sec'y.  
Music—Ninth St. Baptist Church Choir.  
For the City W. C. T. U.—Mrs. McClellan Brown, L. L. D., Miss Susan Rennick, State W. C. T. U. Organizer.  
For Hamilton Co. W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Ella A. Roller, County W. C. T. U. President.  
For the State W. C. T. U.—Mrs. Annie W. Clark, President Ohio W. C. T. U.  
Solo—Mrs. Frances W. Graham, New York, Musical Director National W. C. T. U.

## RESPONSES,

(Five minutes each.)

Mrs. Emma Bourne, Pres't New Jersey W. C. T. U.  
Mrs. Clara Parrish Wright, Illinois, Gen'l Sec'y Young Woman's Branch.  
Mrs. Helen G. Rice, Massachusetts, General Secretary Loyal Temperance Legion.  
Mrs. C. H. Howe, Missouri, National Organizer.  
Solo—Miss E. Grace Updegraff.  
Collection.  
Benediction

## THE SUNDAY SERVICES

in more than forty churches of Cincinnati were conducted by the White Ribboners.

## THE ANNUAL SERMON

on Sunday afternoon at the Convention church was by Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, President of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U.

The service on Sunday evening at St. Paul's M. E. Church was attended by about fifteen hundred people. The choir was excellent. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. McClellan Brown, of whom the pastor, Dr. Blodgett, said, "she is known and loved all over Cincinnati."

The first speaker of the evening was Mrs. Viola D. Romans, of Ohio, who spoke of the achievements of the W. C. T. U. in a most interesting manner.

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## CONVENTION NOTES.

Mrs. Cornelia T. Jewett will be managing editor of the *Union Signal* for the present. This is very gratifying to those who know Mrs. Jewett and recognize her splendid ability.

En route to Cincinnati our Indiana party contained a number of the State officers and women from some other States. When the supper hour came we sang the Indiana song and our Illinois sisters sang their State song.

The trip to Hillsboro on Monday was greatly enjoyed by hundreds of White Ribboners and their friends, who were welcomed by Mother Thompson in the historic Hillsboro crusade church. This was Mother Thompson day, and five hundred delegates and hundreds of other friends from other points traveled sixty one miles to pay a tribute of love and honor to one of the heroines of the Crusade. The first event of the day was the service at the Presbyterian Church, which was built on one of the historic sites of the Crusade. Mother Thompson sat in the Frances Willard Chair. So great was the crowd that an overflow rally was held at the Methodist Church, where addresses were made by Miss Belle Kearney, of Mississippi, one of the National lectures, and Olive Christian Malvery, of India. At the Presbyterian Church the pastor, Rev. H. N. Faulconer, introduced Rev. W. C. McSurely, who was the pastor of the church at the time of the Crusade. He opened the meeting with prayer, and read the Crusade Psalm. Rev. Mr. Faulconer made a few remarks welcoming the ladies to Hillsboro. Short addresses were also made by Dr. McSurely, Miss Gordon, Vice President of the national organization; Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Frances Beauchamp, of Lexington, Ky., and by a daughter of Neal Dow, the famous temperance evangelist. Miss Malvery recited a poem that captured the large audience. After the services at the church the delegates visited the Crusade memorial room and examined the relics contained therein, and then formed in line and marched to the home of "Mother" Thompson, where they were received by her. All of the delegates were permitted to shake her hand, and to each she spoke some pleasant words of greeting.



MRS. CULLA J. VAYHINGER, Moore's Hill.  
The newly-elected President of the Indiana W. C. T. U.

Mother Thompson was presented with an immense bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums, and the Cleveland ladies presented her with a Japanese silk shawl. In a short address, which Mother Thompson then made, she implored the workers "to remember Lot's wife, and never turn back." Several thousand people came from near-by towns and from the country, "Mother" Thompson, in spite of her advanced years and frail physical condition, bore the excitement incident to the occasion remarkably well.

Indiana was the first State delegation to wear badges bearing the name of the State. Now it seems to be quite the fashion. This year the Nebraska badge was of white satin ribbon with letters in gilt. The Indiana badges this year had on one end the first verse of the State song.

Mrs. Helen M. Stoddard, President of the Texas W. C. T. U., came for several years as the one representative of the "Lone Star State," but not so any more. For several years past she has had an increasingly large delegation. This year she had as fine women as ever represented a State. They wore white ribbon badges with a star on one end and the word Texas in black letters.

New York State has 25,000 paid members in the W. C. T. U., and has decided to make the number 28,000 by the next national convention. It will then have one White Ribboner for every one of its 28,000 open saloons.

"White Ribbon Remedies" are not manufactured, sold or indorsed by the W. C. T. U.

The Indiana delegation sent a large bouquet of white roses to Miss Coggsall the night she spoke in the contest.

A framed picture of Frances E. Willard is to be the gift of the convention to the Public Library of Cincinnati.

Miss Eva Foster, the talented daughter of Bishop R. S. Foster, is Press Reporter for the National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Frances W. Graham, the National Music Director, who won the hearts of the National years ago by her beautiful voice and sweet manners, has been elected President of the New York State W. C. T. U., to succeed Mrs. Ella A. Boole, who has been called to another field of Christian work.

The following telegram was ordered sent by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis to President Roosevelt and Secretary Hitchcock on behalf of Indian Territory: "In behalf of the Indian Territory we appeal to you for a continuance of the prohibition law according to the treaty of 1897 and the act of Congress of 1898, and agreement with the five civilized tribes negotiated within the last five years, and in view of which we most earnestly urge their plea for separate statehood."

The Little Princess from India, Miss Olive Christian Malvery, speaks English faultlessly, and her flow of language and word picturings are wonderful and most poetical. Miss Malvery testified for Christianity by saying: "But I'm glad to be a Christian. Not all the philosophies of the East and the poetical literatures are half so satisfying. They turn into insignificance when I contemplate Christ and such noble works as are carried forward by the Christian women of this land."

A larger number of W. C. T. U. Institutes were held during the past year than ever before.

The canteen question elicited great interest. The Bartholdt bill was dissected and a vigorous campaign will be pushed against it. A telegram was sent to President Roosevelt to that effect, and urging him to support the present law.

Dr. Elliott, a deaconess from Salt Lake City, told how the Mormons have sent out 2000 missionaries into various states of the Union. She said that having any Mormon representatives at Washington would stand for the debasement of humanity and would work toward the breaking up of American homes.

Number of unions having this year taken up the work among lumbermen, 750; number of men employed in lumber camps, over 1,000,000; number of meetings held for the department, 600; bibles given out, 300; boxes of literature distributed, 1,500,000; reading rooms in towns or cities near camps, 251; circulating libraries, 10.

Many Department reports were given. Mrs. Helen L. Bullock—Purity work—announced that 3,000 towns and cities now have curfew laws. Mrs. Emilie D. Martin—Purity in Art and Literature—distributed 270,000 pages of free literature during the year. Mrs. E. B. Ingalls—Anti-Narcotics—urged the prohibition of opium in the Philippines, and declared that the use of drugs was startlingly growing, largely through physicians' prescriptions.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, President of Illinois W. C. T. U., delivered an effective address, on Sunday evening, illustrating her statistics by bright colored ribbons. The scarlet colored ribbon, 10 feet long, represented \$1,200,000,000, the annual expenditure of the American people for intoxicating liquors. Different colored ribbons representing \$700,000,000 spent annually for tobacco; \$370,000,000 for bread stuffs; \$175,000,000 for educational purposes; \$10,000,000 for Home and Foreign Missions; less than \$1,000,000 spent annually for all work done by the Good Templars, Sons of Temperance, the W. C. T. U. and the Prohibition party. Only \$200,000 being expended for the W. C. T. U. with its 40 departments and extensive work in every state and territory.

## EDUCATIONAL.

Our Oratorical Department is a great source of power in educating public sentiment.

The Medal contest offers much to the individual boy or girl. It gives opportunity for memory development, for experience in public speaking that is greatly appreciated by the ambitious youth.

If the age of the contestants was put at fifteen or sixteen years and older, we would find more young men and young women working for medals.

Where little children hold medals, the High School, Academic and College young people look upon it as "Children's Work," and decline to enter the contests. In Indiana let us raise the age and seek to enlist our young people who understand the meaning of the speeches used and who wield an influence now and are also among the class who will soon be citizens.

To hold contests among these older boys and girls is more difficult, but it means much in the ultimate outcome of our cause.



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## NATIONAL CONVENTION NOTES.

The resolutions, as adopted by the National convention, were as follows:

Recognizing to-day, as in the Crusade days, the divine call to the women of America to unite in organized and consecrated endeavor to free our fair country from the tyranny of the legalized liquor traffic, and relying in the Crusade spirit on the divine source of all good for strength and courage and patience in responding to this call, we, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, in thirtieth annual convention assembled, reaffirm our belief in and loyalty to the following fundamental principles:

1. Since our work is one of formation as well as reformation, we stand firmly for total abstinence for the individual.

2. Believing that the liquor traffic is morally wrong, and therefore can never be made legally right, we oppose all forms of regulation and again pledge ourselves to endeavor to secure such legislation as shall result in complete prohibition.

3. We stand for an equal code of morals for men and women and emphatically condemn every system for the regulation of vice. We rejoice in the closing of the grounds of the St. Louis Fair on Sundays, and other efforts that are being made to purify the city. That we memorialize the Mayor and the city council of St. Louis to make special effort to enforce the law against houses used for immoral purposes during the Fair.

4. As a matter of justice we believe that all the women of the United States should vote on equal terms with men, as in Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho and Utah.

5. We believe that polygamy is both taught and practiced in the United States, and that there is abundant proof to substantiate the claim that Utah has broken faith with the United States in this matter. We therefore ask the Fifty-eighth Congress to provide for an amendment to the Constitution of the United States forever prohibiting polygamy. We also believe that an apostle of the Mormon hierarchy cannot be a loyal citizen of this republic because of his vows to another organization separate and distinct from the United States of America and subordinate to it, but claiming superiority over it. We therefore ask that Mr. Reed Smoot be excluded from the United States Senate on the ground that his highest allegiance is given to a government other than that of the United States; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we believe this to be a civil question which should not be obscured by religious or ecclesiastical claims;

That we authorize our President and Secretary to memorialize Congress for an anti-polygamy amendment to the Constitution of the United States, in furtherance of which we urge educational methods in every state, as looking toward the confirmation of this congressional act.

6. Then followed a resolution favoring the Hepburn interstate liquor act, in which the convention pledged its efforts to secure the passage of that bill.

7. WHEREAS, At the request of the Chinese government, an article has been incorporated in the American-Chinese treaty which prohibits the importation into China of opium and of instruments employed in its use; therefore,

*Resolved*, That we memorialize the Congress of the United States to also prohibit the importation of opium into the Philippine Islands.

## THE WHITE RIBBON VANGUARD.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 14.—The annual convention of the National W. C. T. U., now in session here, is the anniversary campfire of the Church's vanguard, that bivouacs to-day, with evangelism combined with forty departments of applied Christianity, where the church will camp to-morrow. It is a long-coming to-morrow, for the main army has been content for thirty years to stay in its luxurious barracks far in the rear, singing to this their skirmish line, "Hold the fort, for I am coming."

No other convention of the year, whether civil or religious, takes such advanced ground. Why do not other Christian bodies learn from it how to develop together the two hemispheres of religion, love to God, and love to man, righting man's relation to God, and righting man's relation to man, personal salvation through the cross of Christ and social

salvation by his crown; that is, by his law? No theological seminary teaches full orb'd Christianity so faithfully. The spiritual tone of the W. C. T. U. is as high as that of a holiness camp meeting, but unlike the holiness camp meeting that last year refused to petition against opium monopoly in the Philippines, lest it should turn aside the spiritual tide.

The W. C. T. U. combines Pentecost with a book of Acts. It does not rationalize away the gospel of Moses, Isaiah and Christ, as found in the 4th of Luke, as allegory of personal conversion only, but it means what it says, that "the Spirit of the Lord" in men is to eventuate in social justice by which every year shall be a jubilee year and so an "acceptable year" of righteousness expressed in the land. The W. C. T. U. is a union home missionary society, recognizing what women's denominational missionary societies have just begun to recognize, by uniting to fight Mormonism, that intelligent missionary work, in the words of the Salvation Army, must seek not only to change the man but also to change the surroundings. If it be a wise use of missionary effort and money to weed Utah of its polygamy that Christianity may be planted with a chance to grow, is it not also the duty of the church to include in its home missionary equally direct and official and persistent work to weed out Sabbath breaking, intemperance, impurity and gambling?

No church court from which women are excluded have I ever seen do its business at once so devoutly and in such perfection of parliamentary promptness as the conventions of the National W. C. T. U., and there are few conventions that bring together such a group of disciplined, independent thinkers and ready debaters. With it all, they are not masculine, but womanly, with the spirit of motherhood in every hour. The student in the Cincinnati Y. M. C. A., who has put on its blackboard pictures of coarse women, with hatchets, marching on the saloons of Cincinnati, was far astray in his caricature. If there must be a choice of evils I would honor more the mother and wife and sister, who, denied the ballot, attacked the saloons that had wrecked their homes as they would a burglar, than the mothers who would not even wear a white ribbon in protest against saloon piracies; but the white ribboners have learned in these thirty years that it is better to crusade in halls of legislation, where saloons are authorized, since prevention is better than cure. They have learned the lesson taught them roughly thirty years ago in one of the low dives, where they kneeled in the sawdust to pray, where the bartender exclaimed: "What are you doing here where we punch their tickets for hell the last time? Why don't you stop them up town before they get on the train?"

The white ribboners now know that the most sensible and effective place to work is among the children not yet on the train. The Loyal Legion is the best of all young people's societies, because with as much piety as any, it has what they all lack, systematic study of practical Christianity in all its forms. In the Loyal legion, boys as well as girls are trained. Why not let all such boys as they become men become active members of the W. C. T. U., and so make it in all respects what the church should be?

State, as well as church, might profitably copy this convention. No President would dare to put as much statesmanship into his annual message as did Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens.

The Supreme Court has declared, and the Republican national convention also, that morals are the "chief concern of government." Truly history proclaims that nations have not died of currency or conquest, but of moral cancer. If we confine the word laws to those enactments that bear the Gladstonian text "The purpose of law is to make it as hard as possible to do wrong and as easy as possible to do right," the W. C. T. U. is the greatest law-making body in the world. The International Reform Bureau has drawn more national laws, but the mail box petition vote that carries them is developed mainly by the W. C. T. U., and in state and local legislation there are few moral measures which they did not begin or end.

And yet only one per cent of the Christian women of our churches are enrolled. I have often said, in congregations where the white ribbon could be seen only on the breast of one or two, and they the lowliest in social station, "This one per cent of organized mother love and mother wit and mother courage is doing more to secure good laws for the protection of our homes and children than all the unorganized ninety-nine per cent." Especially should all women intelligently devoted to missions join the W. C. T. U., because the suppression of the liquor traffic and of impurity, gambling and Sabbath-breaking is essential to the success alike of city, home and foreign missions.

God bless the white ribboners, and may their tribe increase.—Wilbur F. Crafts in the *New Voice*.

## PROTEST OF W. C. T. U. TO COMMITTEE OF FIFTY.

November 16, 1903.

The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union Convention in session in Cincinnati, this morning unanimously passed by rising vote the following protest against the attacks of the "Committee of Fifty" upon the present compulsory teaching of

temperance physiology in the public schools of the country:

WHEREAS, Certain self-appointed persons under the name of "The Committee of Fifty for the investigation of the Liquor Problem," have made and circulated in one of their publications, and in press reviews of same, unwarranted accusations against the legislation which requires the study of temperance physiology by the pupils of every public school in the United States; against the school literature on this subject, and against the results of this study; and

WHEREAS, These unwarranted accusations are made with the avowed purpose of removing this study, as now required, from the public school system of our country; and

WHEREAS, We believe that such removal would be a national calamity; Therefore,

*Be it Resolved*, That the attention of the public is called to the following facts:

First. It is apparent that in seeking opinions upon which they based their objections to this study, the "Committee of Fifty" misrepresented the amount of time required for this subject, making it appear that two hundred and fifty hours are required in the study of alcohol, while in fact, only three hundred and thirty lessons (the equivalent of about 140 hours) distributed through nine years, is the maximum requirement for the whole study of physiology and hygiene, not more than one-fourth of which is ever required to be given to the subject of alcoholic drinks and all other narcotics.

Second. The Committee of Fifty charges that the laws restrict teachers as to the methods to be used in teaching this subject. This again is a misrepresentation. The most specific laws simply require that the subject shall be taught all pupils in all public schools; that teachers shall have adequate preparation and that teachers and pupils shall have the same helps, including well graded books, as in other required regular branches. The teachers are left absolutely unrestricted as to how they shall present the subject, just as in other branches.

Third. The Committee's main points of criticism of the school literature on this subject are, that it teaches that alcohol is not a food but a poison, and that it teaches total abstinence. An examination of the 800 pages of the report of the Committee shows that the Committee presents no evidence to prove that alcohol is a food in the sense in which this word is commonly understood. They claim that alcohol is a food because it is oxidized in the body and can furnish energy, but the conclusion that this proves it to be a food is contradicted by such physiologists as Professors Abel of Johns Hopkins, Von Voit of Munich, and Kuhne of Heidelberg Universities, who point out in this very report of the Committee of Fifty that mere oxidation does not prove a substance to be a food. Other recognized poisons are oxidized in the body, yet are never called foods.

Fourth. The public was led to expect that the teachings of the indorsed school physiologies were to be tested by the experiments conducted under the auspices of the Committee of Fifty, but instead, they are compared, for instance, with the conclusion of Dr. Fothergill, an opinion written twenty-three years ago, which Dr. Fothergill left when he died fifteen years ago.

Fifth. The Committee of Fifty's recommendation that this instruction should be confined to the upper grades would be to postpone it until after cigarette and other bad habits, in many cases, have been formed and would deprive great numbers who have to go to work before they reach the upper school grades of any warning in instruction on this subject. Such a policy would be a cruel discrimination against the children of the poor and suicidal for a government of the people.

Sixth. Careful review of the experimental work of the Committee of Fifty shows that they have not proved that the beverage use of alcohol in amounts ordinarily termed moderate is safe. Professor Weber and others have shown that whether or not one is susceptible to alcohol cannot be told until it is too late. "He finds out only by playing a game of chance with his life, which is a dangerous experiment."

Seventh. The Committee of Fifty in looking for results of this instruction turn to old, so-called evidence, gathered from five to thirteen years ago, to sustain their claim that there are practically no good results. In doing so, they ignore the evidence presented by the last census, that during the preceding ten years, when the study of physiology and hygiene had become quite universal, the average length of life in the United States increased by 4 1-10 years, due in part, physicians say, to the better knowledge of hygienic and sanitary laws, imparted in the public schools.

It is admitted in our own and other lands that the teaching in our public schools that alcohol injures working ability has contributed to the greater sobriety of the American workman and his consequent increased productive ability, which is one factor in giving to our nation the commercial supremacy it now enjoys.

If the Committee of Fifty had examined the internal Revenue Reports before publishing their report last June, they would have found that in the last eleven years during which temperance education became quite general, the per capita gain in the use of alcoholic beverages was only one third as great as in the preceding eleven years, when the study was just being introduced. That there was any increase was undoubtedly due largely to the more than 400,000



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## EXTRACTS FROM NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Several years before Frances E. Willard went to the Homeland she said, "In crusade days the sky of hope lay low above us, now its arch is boundless. Then custom's pinched lips declared, 'thus far and no farther' and we rebelled but yet obeyed; now nothing can restrain our ardent footsteps, save the loving,



MRS. LILLIAN M. N. STEVENS,  
President National W. C. T. U.

'thus far and no farther' of God. Then we were raw recruits, now we are soldiers drilled and disciplined; then we crusaded in saloons, but now in halls of legislation; then we thought only of cure, now we are occupied with prevention; then we wept, now we rejoice. Then we said, 'God be pitiful,' now we say 'God be praised!' Then we called ourselves a National union, now we are National in every deed."

All this so beautifully expressed is true this morning as we come together from the east and the west, the north and the south, a National union in deed and in fact. Yet we were never more than at this hour deeply reminded of the blessed beginnings and gratefully and reverently do we recall the crusade leaders of those early days: Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. McNeil, Mrs. Carpenter, Mother Stewart, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. McCabe, and many others, some of whom we are to have with us during this convention.

We recall also that in this city and in this church in May, 1874, four months after the crusade fire was kindled in Hillsboro, was held a great crusade convention, the story of which has lately been given us by Mrs. Mary Bynon Reese, who was one of the "delegates" although it was a mass convention at which were present, with a large number of women, many distinguished men, among them Dr. William Hunter, editor of the *Pittsburg Christian Advocate*. He was the author of the Battle Hymn of the Crusade, beginning with the prophetic words:

"The light of truth is breaking.  
On the mountain top it gleams;  
Let it flash along the valleys,  
Let it glitter on the streams,  
Till all the land awakens  
In the light of golden dreams—  
Our God is marching on."

We recall also that six months later the organizing convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held in Ohio at Cleveland and that a second National W. C. T. U. convention was held in this city the same year. It is indeed fitting that at the end of the third decade we should come to Ohio, not so much to review what God has wrought during these thirty years, as to make plans for the further advancement of the cause of righteousness, for the redemption of the people from the people's greatest curse—the liquor traffic and its associate evils.

### WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

The National W. C. T. U. of the United States whose beginnings were here, had existed nine years before Miss Willard proposed the organization of the World's W. C. T. U., and it has been but twelve years since her desire and plan took form in organization. The most notable event in the W. C. T. U. annals of 1903 is the holding of the world's sixth biennial convention at Geneva, Switzerland, in June. England had the largest representation in that convention and the United States came next. It was regretted by all that Lady Henry Somerset, because of ill health, could not be present, but she was enthusiastically continued as President. At the closing hour of the last evening, after sixty remarkable speeches in many different languages by sixty remarkable women from every section of the globe, there was a scene that demonstrated the harmony of our work, notwithstanding the diversity of languages. At an opportune moment the Britishers burst out into singing their national anthem, which was quickly followed by "My Country 'tis of Thee"; then, much to our surprise, the Swiss people who filled the magnificent Music Hall from floor to upper gallery, followed with their anthem to the same melody.

Before leaving the Swiss republic, which is like our own in some respects, we organized a Swiss W. C. T. U. (this making 59 nations in the W. C. T. U. federation) and at the present time our beloved com-

rade, Miss Christine Tinling, of England, is in Switzerland, assisting the president, Mademoiselle Rilliet, in building up the organization. We are glad that so many of the official reports of the World's W. C. T. U. convention are in circulation in this country, as the record therein gives a story of progress and achievement.

### ANTI-ALCOHOL CONGRESS.

It was appropriate that during the presentation of the president's address at the Geneva convention the leader of the woman's temperance work in Germany should occupy the chair. The thought of the temperance world has of late been turned to Germany on account of the famous International Anti-Alcohol Congress held in Bremen last spring and about which we expect, during this convention, to hear from our superintendent of scientific temperance instruction, as she was an honored guest and speaker at the great meeting.

Of the many strong anti-alcohol speeches of leading doctors and scientists none is more hopefully significant of an intelligent awakening concerning the evil of liquor drinking than the speech of Dr. Delbrück, who gave some striking information concerning the injurious effects of beer drinking in Germany. He said at an inebriate asylum in the north of Germany out of 149 patients 41 had been sent there through drinking spirituous liquor, 30 through wine drinking, 78, or more than one-half, through injurious effects of beer drinking; and he stated that it was impossible to convey by statistics the extent of the misery caused by beer alcoholism. The Health Office of Germany has prepared a mass of material showing the injurious effects of alcohol, which is being circulated for the good of the Germans.

### FRANCE AROUSED.

When in France a few months ago we saw the placards that were posted there by governmental order. This document was signed by experts who are competent to judge of the dangers of alcohol, the president of the Medical Faculty of Paris, the Chairman of the Institute of France and the medical director of the Hospital l'Hotel Dieu of Paris. This document declares that:

"Alcoholism is the chronic poisoning resulting from the constant use of alcohol, even if this does not produce drunkenness.

"It is an error to say that alcohol is a necessity to the man who has to do hard work, or that it restores strength. The artificial stimulation which it produces soon gives away to exhaustion and nervous depression. Alcohol is good for nobody, but works harm to everybody.

"Alcoholism produces the most varied and fatal diseases of the stomach and liver, paralysis, dropsy and madness. It is one of the most frequent causes of tuberculosis.

"Lastly, it aggravates and enhances all acute diseases—typhus, pneumonia, erysipelas. These diseases only attack a sober man in a mild degree, while they quickly do away with the man who drinks alcohol.

"The sins of the parents against the laws of health visit their offspring. If the children survive the first months of their lives, they are threatened with imbecility, epilepsy, or death carries them away a little later by such diseases as meningitis or consumption.

"Alcoholism is one of the most terrible plagues to the individual health, the existence of the home and the prosperity of the nation."

Scientists, educators, philanthropists, clergymen, did not object to this, but the liquor traffic, ever alert to protect its financial interests, was enraged and brought suit against the government for damages.

### OTHER COUNTRIES.

In every civilized country the temperance question is receiving more or less attention. In Russia every town has its temperance committee extending into every country district, and every village has its temperance protector with special committees for prisons and for schools.

The influence of the W. C. T. U. is acknowledged throughout the world. The other day I clipped the following from a popular journal: "The W. C. T. U. is a strong organization in Iceland and has thoroughly instilled into the native Icelanders the benefits of abstaining from all intoxicating liquors. The first modern saloon established in Reikjavik met with a spirited opposition. Temperance people, including the ministers, organized a picket brigade and stood guard around the place, urging all who approached not to enter. It is needless to say that the saloon keepers' business could not go on. The outlook for the rum traffic in Iceland is not encouraging."

I could multiply illustrations and dwell upon the magnificent achievements of the W. C. T. U. in every land, but I need not do so in this presence. I cannot refrain, however, from alluding to the emphatic declaration in Canada in favor of prohibition, which sentiment may be resisted for a time, but which must before long take tangible legal shape.

We realize that in England the "rowing against the tide" is exceedingly hard, but the temperance people are rowing as never before.

If a fruit tree is shaken the bad fruit falls first, so

when there is a great controversy we are likely to hear first and most of the bad things. It is refreshing sometimes to first take notice of the good. Even in England there are some encouraging features in connection with the temperance reform. Steps are being taken, with good prospects of success, to induce parliament to abolish barmaids, 80,000 of whom are employed in the British Isles. A few years ago such a movement was considered inexpedient, but to-day it is considered expedient because it is right.

The proprietor of the *London News* not long ago decided to exclude from the columns of that paper all betting advertisements. There was a protest to the effect that it was inconsistent to exclude betting advertisements and admit those concerning liquor, whereupon decision was made to exclude liquor advertisements also. We are reliably informed that what threatened to be a heavy loss has proved instead to be a great gain and that the names of subscribers for the *London News* poured in at the rate of a thousand a day. In view of such advance as this in a London daily, is it too much to hope that the journalism of our country may be purified and that questionable advertising which is now so current may be banished?

Recently 10,000 people assembled in Royal Albert Hall, London, to protest against further inroads of the liquor traffic. Among the protestants were Earls and Countesses, Bishops and Lord Mayors, Lords and Ladies, Physicians and Clergymen and members of Parliament in large numbers, and they all seemed to enjoy the sentiment. "While we cannot make people sober by act of parliament we can make parliament sober by act of the country."

### WHAT OF OUR OWN COUNTRY?

Since in former years I have made a retrospective analysis to show our gains, I will at this time confine myself to the story of the past year only. Naturally enough there comes first to our minds the overthrow of the prohibitory law in Vermont and New Hampshire. This disaster came about by a combination of political trickery, the unstinted work of the liquor fraternity of the country, and the deceived and bewildered condition of some of the voters of these states. In a jubilant editorial in Bonfort's Wine and Spirit circular it is said, "Be it remembered that the Protective Bureau of the National Wholesale Liquor Dealers' Association had much, very much, to do with the work which did away with prohibition in Vermont and New Hampshire." This same editorial quotes from the report of the manager of the Bureau, figures to show that during the year the Bureau sent out "two million five hundred and fifteen thousand pieces of literature," more than one-half of which were mailed directly to voters in separately addressed envelopes. The report shows that one of the pamphlets circulated by the liquor Bureau is "The Theory of Prohibition by Rev. Sanford H. Cobb in the *Princeton Review*." It is a blighting shame that any one professing to be a minister of the gospel of our Lord and Savior should formulate a "theory" which could be used by the liquor interests of the country to promote its diabolical trade. But let me say in this connection that very few clergymen are thus distinguished. They are few in number who preach against total abstinence or prohibition, or who advocate the Sunday saloon or any saloon.

Referring again to Vermont and New Hampshire, we have good reason to believe that if a vote could be taken now or any other time after three months' trial of license it would result in the re-enactment of the Prohibitory law. It should be borne in mind that if the vote of one city alone could have been eliminated the state of Vermont would have had a larger vote for prohibition than was given against it. In this same city of Burlington there were in May, 1903, 65 arrests for drunkenness; during the same month the year before there were 19 arrests. In New Hampshire the number of arrests for drunkenness is increasingly large and the alms houses have an increased number of inmates. The temporary defeat in these two states need not have a depressing effect if we look away to the victories in other states, for in every section of our country temperance victories have been won.

I will speak of comparatively few of them. "Texas Prohibition—Testimony from Reliable Sources" indicates that the Lone Star state is fast getting ready to enact a state prohibitory law, and the same is true of several other states. Tennessee deserves heartiest congratulations upon the defeat of the dispensary bill, which the temperance people declared would put far off the day of state prohibition. The principle and law of prohibition was never more manifest in Kansas than at the present time. Where there is a failure on the part of officials to enforce the law there is a great tendency in favor of changing such officials instead of changing the law.

The effort made in North Dakota last winter to resubmit the prohibitory law was overwhelmingly defeated and we are furnished through a leading judge of that state with a mass of testimony which goes to prove that prohibition has greatly benefited the state both financially and morally.

And what of Maine which has had prohibition longer than any other state? Maine, the birthplace of Neal Dow and his home for more than ninety years;



the birthplace and home of Congressman Littlefield who drew up the second anti-canteen bill, and drew it so skillfully that no Attorney General or any other General can fire through or destroy it; the birthplace and summer home of Ex-Secretary John D. Long, to whom we are largely indebted for the abolition of alcoholic drinks in the United States Navy; the state on which the attention of the liquor fraternity of the nation is now concentrated with a determination to destroy its prohibitory law.

Last March, after the great Legislative campaign, the bill to resubmit with a view to repeal the prohibitory law was defeated by a vote in the legislature of 115 to 54. About this time the *Outlook* stated editorially that a large proportion of the clergy of Maine desired a change from statutory prohibition to high license and local option. A careful investigation as to the truth of this statement revealed the fact that only three Maine ministers of the Congregational Church were known to be against prohibition, and only one minister of the Universalist Church; while all of the ministers of the Methodist, Baptist, Free Baptist, Adventist, The Christian, Friends and Presbyterian Churches were found to be solidly for prohibition and against resubmission. Moreover, all of the church conferences of Maine which have met this year, including the Congregationalists, have passed resolutions in accord with this belief, of which the following adopted by the Baptists a few weeks ago is a sample:

"This Convention has put itself on record repeatedly as being unalterably opposed to the saloon and repeatedly affirmed its belief that the true method of dealing with the saloon was not one of regulation, but extermination.

"We believe there is no present demand by the law-abiding citizens of the state for the resubmission of the prohibitory law, and a demand that originates with the lawless should meet with prompt and emphatic refusal. While we are confident that resubmission would result in a triumphant re-endorsement of the Prohibitory law, still we strongly disapprove of inviting a political campaign in which the ballot would inevitably be exposed to the infamous influences so familiar to the saloon."

Other good people in Maine and other good organizations are like minded with the clergy and the church. Less than a month ago in connection with the session of the Supreme Judicial Court, where several violators of the prohibitory law were sentenced to jail, a public meeting was held, called the court temperance meeting. The speakers were lawyers and ministers and all spoke pointedly against resubmission. Notwithstanding all these encouragements there is no doubt but that during the next year there is to be in Maine the hardest battle between the forces of evil and the forces of righteousness that has been witnessed in the history of the temperance reform, but I do not hesitate to prophesy that the righteous side will win.

Perhaps I have spoken too much along State lines, but since our nation is composed of States, each of which has an important relation to the other, I may be pardoned. From a strictly National standpoint we are able to speak of some victories of the year. No more encouraging or meaningful words have been uttered during the year than these from Carroll D. Wright: "The economic aspects involved in the treatment of the temperance question are having an influence which is spreading everywhere, and which is comprehended in industrial establishment and by government. The simple idea that a man with a clear brain is a better employe than the one with a muddled brain is carrying the question forward to success, and the sooner men learn that in order to secure employment at all they must approach their service with minds unclouded, the better for humanity. Religion teaches that the temple of God must not be defiled. Economic consideration now allies itself with religion, and insists that the welfare of the community demands that this temple of God shall remain undefiled."

Other students of economics and statistics are also giving valuable testimony, among whom I may mention Dr. Gould, Special Commissioner of the United States Department of Labor. All this testimony proving that aside from the moral aspect, self-interest and self-protection are now rallying to witness against the use of alcoholic beverages. The prohibition of the sale of intoxicants in the United States immigrant stations; the prohibition of the sale by Americans of strong drink and opium in the Pacific Islands, which have no civilized government; the sale of intoxicants in the United States immigrant stations; the prohibition of the sale of alcoholic beverages in the capital building at Washington, may all be recorded as victories.

I may also mention the appointment of women inspectors of immigration, about which, with all its modifications, our superintendent of legislation and petitions, Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, will report during this convention.

Among the measures which did not succeed in the last congress and for whose success I earnestly recommend continuance of effort, are the Inter-State liquor bill; the bill to forbid liquor selling in government buildings and the anti-polygamy amendment.

#### ANTI-POLYGAMY.

In accordance with a vote of our last national convention the W. C. T. U. has been faithfully at work making sentiment through the circulation of literature and many public addresses in favor of an anti-

polygamy amendment to the constitution of the United States. In order to secure the submission of the constitutional amendment there must be an affirmative vote of two-thirds of both houses of congress, and to make it effective it must be ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the states. Inasmuch as we are to have at this convention addresses by those who are well equipped to speak upon this question I need not do so at this time.

A generous gift of \$1,000 from one of our national superintendents, Mrs. Emilie D. Martin, to be used in anti-polygamy work, has enabled the National W. C. T. U. to do much that otherwise would have been impossible. We must all regard with profound admiration the energetic and capable work along this line of the Inter-Denominational Council of Women.

The W. C. T. U. is to-day, and if true to its heritage will ever be, arrayed against all forms of impurity and legalized vice. We painfully recognize that there are some evils that cannot be annihilated in this day and generation, but we evermore declare that these evils, if they exist, shall do so in opposition to law rather than by sanction of law. The record of the attempt made two years ago by the Mayor of Minneapolis to introduce a system of regulated vice should be a warning to others not to try to do likewise. The best element of the American people will always, if need be, unite in a protest as loud and as long as that which resulted in the issuance of the Order from the War Department, with instructions concerning its carrying out, which practically abolished the system of legalized or licensed vice which had existed for a time in the far away Philippines.

#### THE WORLD IS GROWING BETTER.

In the report of Dr. Arthur McDonald, the government expert in criminology, the reference to the increase in crime taken by itself would be depressing; but the report also indicates that the increase of crime according to statistics is not necessarily a proof that the world is growing worse. Carroll D. Wright, in a recent address speaking upon this point, said: "The difficulty is that we do not stop to distinguish what is crime-to-day and what was crime forty or fifty years ago; nor do we stop to consider the question as to the more perfect statistics of to-day brought into comparison with the very imperfect and crude statistics of half a century ago. The statistics comprehend not only the persistent crimes but those crimes which have been established by legislative enactment, and increasingly so during the last few years. If we look beneath the figures we shall find that the crimes that have remained persistently so under the criminal code during the last fifty years have not only not increased, but have relatively decreased. This is the true test.

"One illustration is sufficient. In the criminal statistics of fifty years ago crimes relative to liquor selling did not appear; to-day they constitute a large proportion of such statistics. In one of our commonwealths where there had been varied experience under the liquor laws, it is found that, while during a period of twenty years the total sentences for all crimes increased 70 per cent, and for crimes not including drunkenness and liquor offenses only 20 per cent, the sentences for drunkenness and other liquor offenses increased nearly 160 per cent as against an increase of over 50 per cent in the population."

Advancing civilization enlarges the sphere of individual life and liberty, but society has to defend itself by an increasing number of prohibitory laws.

The persuasiveness of the Beatitudes is a holy and mighty force in Christendom, but the "Thou shalt not" of the Decalogue will be required to some extent until the millennial day.

Notwithstanding the great spectacle of sin and misery which is ever visible to those who seek the world's amelioration there is manifold testimony that the religion of Christ is making its way. One indication of this is the multiplication of organizations and institutions for the purpose of caring and providing for the unfortunate, the defective and the dependent classes in the best possible manner, and the growing tendency to help those who are honestly needy and poor to help themselves without suggesting to them that they are dependents is a still stronger manifestation of the love which is always kind. The increasing interest in the Child Labor Problem, the establishing of Juvenile Courts, the organized work for the newsboys are all indications that the spirit of Him who blessed the children is flowing out through human instrumentalities to defend the weak and bless the innocent.

The divine element of equality and justice must and will enter more and more into the solution of the labor question. It is this element which has led to the organization of labor unions; it is the same element which further developed is destined to bring about a mutual recognition on the part of the employed and the employer of the rights of each and all.

#### THE COMMITTEE OF FIFTY.

The report of the physiological aspects of the liquor problem by the self-appointed Committee of Fifty has perhaps attracted enough attention to warrant a passing notice by us. A large part of volume one of this report deals with physiological instruction and gives due credit (or discredits according to their view) to the W. C. T. U. in securing legislation requiring temperance instruction in the public schools of the land. The conclusions of the committee as to the dangers of alcohol and the manner of teaching the same are not in accord with facts and knowledge carefully acquired by the W. C. T. U. through pains-

taking research and practical application, supported by the vote of intelligent legislators all over our country and by a public sentiment which does care for the right education for the young upon a question so vitally connected with their future well being. I trust there will go out from this convention a declaration of our strengthened belief in the wisdom of temperance instruction in the public schools, such instruction to be based on scientific and ethical truth.

The report of Professor Atwater's famous experiments occupies a large place in the second volume. This volume closes with a report from Dr. Welch on the pathological effects of alcohol, demonstrating that "alcohol in sufficient quantities is a poison to all living organism, both animal and vegetable." The sufficiency of quantity needed to kill and how to choose the victims may well be the subject of the next report of this famous Committee.

#### IS LIQUOR DRINKING AMONG WOMEN ON THE INCREASE?

The question, "Is liquor drinking among women increasing?" is hard to answer. We surely hear more about drinking women than formerly, perhaps from the fact that the drinking habit attracts more attention than it did in the days when nearly everyone used liquor in one form or another.

Speaking of intemperance among women and that much of it comes through the use of alcohol in medicine, Sir Thomas Barlow, physician to the King of England, is reported to have said: "The only remedy for the evil is total abstinence, half and half measures are useless; we must banish alcohol entirely."

It is not my purpose to even preface the report of our National superintendent of the department of non-alcoholic medication, but among the helpful documents bearing on the question of alcohol as a medicine I wish to make special mention of a paper written by Dr. Max Kassowitz, Professor in the University of Vienna and translated by our gifted comrade, Mrs. J. H. W. Stuckenberg. His final statement, after a careful, conservative analysis, is that "for the animal and human organism alcohol is not both a food and a poison, but only a poison."

The most pitiful dipsomaniac I have ever known is a woman, and she acquired the appetite by first taking alcohol as a medicine. Quite recently my attention was called to an inebriate who had occupied a good position in life and who had never tasted alcohol until he took it in the form of one of the many patent medicines which to-day flood our market, crowd our newspaper advertising and harm more than help humanity. The amount of alcohol that many patent medicines contain varies from 5 per cent to 41 per cent. This fact alone should be sufficient to lead all total abstainers to decide that they cannot use patent medicines themselves nor advertise their use for others.

#### WOMAN'S ADVANCEMENT.

Since "nothing can arrest the progress of a true principle on its way to the heart of intelligent people" it would be strange if we could not declare, as we can, that the question of the equality of woman "under the Gospel and under the Law," is gaining new ground and new adherents. There is a continually increasing number of women who feel concerned in regard to the legislation that affects all the people, whether or not all realize this to be so.

There is a proportionately large number of men who acknowledge the justice of the equality of the sexes of all of those matters which pertain to the interests dear to women's hearts, those interests which are connected with the home, the church, the school, the state and the nation.

As temperance women, we desire the right of franchise because we believe we could, thus armed, deal more effectually with the liquor problem, and the fact that the liquor element is always opposed to woman's suffrage furnishes ample proof that we are right in our belief. Those who think that women should have equal opportunity with men in the medical field have reason to rejoice as little by little the barriers built up by custom, prejudice and superstition are being swept away. Those who believe in woman's equality in the church may rejoice as one woman after another is being elected as a delegate to the general conference of the Methodist church, with no possibility of her being turned away because she is a woman. Those who believe in the equality of women in governmental affairs may well rejoice as they read the statements of fair-minded men living in those communities and states where the ballot, with all of its responsibility, has been granted to women. These are but a few of the encouraging prophecies of that better time toward which Christian civilization is leading.

#### MACEDONIA.

Our cause is linked with all other great reforms, and we are interested in every endeavor that is made to overcome "man's inhumanity to man."

We all remember how seven years ago the Woman's Christian Temperance Union rallied to the help of the persecuted, perishing Armenians. It is indeed terrible that the heart rending scenes of those days are now being re-enacted. The Turk is again using his diabolical power to crush out, in the cruellest ways, those whose greatest crime is that they are Christians. For the eighth time within a hundred years the awful wail comes forth telling of the massacre, the outrage, the torture of Christians by the Turks. Humanity loving people should everywhere unite and their verdict should be, the power of Turkey must be broken.

American women have appealed to the Queens of



Christendom to use their influence in staying these shocking atrocities and in bringing to pass such legislative action, such public sentiment, as shall compel the Sultan to stay his hand. On behalf of the W. C. T. U. I placed my name to this appeal. Lady Henry Somerset is not physically able to do for the Macedonian sufferers what, with Miss Willard, she did for the Armenians at Marseilles; but the weight of her great influence, her facile pen and persuasive voice, are freely given for the awakening of England to its immense responsibility and an endeavor to deepen in the hearts of all good men and women a desire to help blot out for all time the terrible Turkish atrocities.

## PEACE.

The National W. C. T. U. must be in hearty accord with the movement made by the American Peace Society for a stated International Congress to meet once in every five or seven years to deliberate upon matters of common interest to the nations and make recommendations to the governments. The board of directors have in mind the possibility that such an international body would in a few decades enable the nations to determine clearly whether it would be expedient for them to go further and to develop the organization into a World congress with legislative power. The list of the International Congress and Conferences of the last twenty years contains so much that is suggestive, I here append it:

1884. The Berlin West African Congress, which set up the Congo Free State.

1885. International Prime Meridian Conference at Washington, invited by the United States and attended by representatives from twenty-six nations.

1889. The Marine Conference of Washington.

1889. The first Pan-American Conference at Washington.

1890. The Brussels Anti-Slavery Conference.

1892. International Sanitary Conference at Venice, the protocol drawn by which was signed by the delegates of fifteen nations.

1893. International Sanitary Conference at Dresden, in which nineteen nations were represented.

1896. The Universal Postal Congress, held at Washington and attended by representatives from every nation on the globe.

1899. The Hague Peace Conference, which provided for the organization of the Permanent International Court of Arbitration.

1901. The Brussels Sugar Congress, which provided for the abolition of sugar bounties.

1901. The Second Pan-American Conference, held at Mexico City.

It cannot be justly said that I have in this address encroached upon the domain of the National superintendents, although it is very hard for me not to do so and to do it in relation to each and all of the departments, for in them all we have a hearty interest. A considerable part of the time of the convention is devoted to the presentation of the work by the National superintendents, who are specialists, able to edify and instruct. We deeply appreciate their steadfast, self-sacrificing work. We can say the same of the organizers, lecturers and evangelists. Their faithful work, often amid perplexities and discouragements, can never fully be described in earthly language.

The State and Territorial presidents will have an opportunity in this convention to speak for themselves and eleven of them will have a chance to speak twice, for eleven states have made a gain, above all losses, of more than 500 members. The fortunate presidents of these fortunate states are to appear on jubilee night, a larger number than ever before came up to a National Convention able to report such a gain.

## APPRECIATION.

On one day of this convention the visiting members and their friends go to Hillsboro, there to walk the streets of the town in which the Crusaders walked thirty years ago, to hold services in the new Presbyterian Church which took the place of the Crusade Church and which has connected with it the Crusade memorial room; to visit the home of Mrs. Thompson, leader of the Hillsboro Crusade band, listen to her voice and the voices of some of her associates of those remarkable days. I wish that we might also greet Mrs. Carpenter and the other heroines of Washington Court House and Mother McNeil in her New York home, who still cherishes as deep an interest in the W. C. T. U. as when she led the first local union which bore the name that we now love so well and which name is known throughout Christendom. In the opening hours of this convention let us send to them a message of grateful remembrance and loving appreciation.

## NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

It has been proven that the establishment, five years ago, of National W. C. T. U. Headquarters at Evanston has been promotive of W. C. T. U. interests. Evanston is known in the educational world as the seat of Northwestern University, in the business world as the abiding place of many of Chicago's leading financiers and business men, in the social world as one of the most attractive cities in the country and in the world at large as the home of Frances E. Willard; and to her old home the people come. Sometimes a former pupil or schoolmate, sometimes a tourist who never saw her but now wishes to see Rest Cottage, sometimes large delegations from institutions and conventions, sometimes the friend from across the seas; and those of the White Ribbon sisterhood come

daily. In connection with their visit to this home with all its sacred memories, they visit the other side of the house—the eight office rooms which constitute the National W. C. T. U. headquarters.

With less crowding than we have been accustomed to in former years, accommodations for the official paper and the *Crusader Monthly* force can also be provided for, and thus more than ever before our paper will seem to its readers like "a letter from home."

## THE MEMORIAL FUND.

No philanthropist or reformer ever exemplified greater genius for organization than did Frances E. Willard in her efforts and achievements for the W. C. T. U.; and the perpetuation and extension of the work of this society is her most appropriate memorial. For five years many local unions of the country have been making an annual offering for this purpose, and through these gifts, which constitute the Memorial fund, much has been accomplished that without the fund would have been impossible. It is earnestly hoped that local unions will continue to make this offering and that an increased number of grateful friends will add their contributions. I have sometimes wondered if it might not be a better plan to have this offering made more directly individual by giving the opportunity to each member of the local union to contribute; but no plan should be approved which would tend to decrease the number of commemorative meetings on or near February 17th. These meetings should be faithfully held in order to keep fresh in the minds of the people—especially the young people—the story of the life of Frances E. Willard with all of its resplendent beauty, its heroic self-sacrifice, its noble incentives to holy endeavor and glorious achievement. I therefore most heartily recommend that there be increased effort to secure the holding of such meetings by every local union and also vigorous action to increase the amount of the Memorial fund.

## IN MEMORIAM.

"We think that home is Heaven,  
But we learn that Heaven is Home."

One by one are gathering Home those to whom we are united by the close bonds of friendship, kinship and comradeship. We cannot call by name all of ours who have passed on during the year; those brave souls who were the life and inspiration in the local, county, district and state unions. Tenderly and gratefully have they been spoken of in the memorial services held for them.

We place here, according to our usual custom, the names of those closely related to the National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Dorothy J. Cleveland, President Oklahoma W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Alice Gordon Gullick, President Spain W. C. T. U.

Mr. William Platt, husband of the president of Washington W. C. T. U.

Prof. J. H. W. Stuckenberg, husband of the National superintendent of the department of Temperance and Labor.

Mr. Almon Dickinson, father of Mrs. Helen B. Harford, President Oregon W. C. T. U.

Bishop Randolph S. Foster, father of Miss Eva K. Foster, National W. C. T. U. Press Reporter.

Mrs. Emily J. Berry, mother-in-law of Mrs. Frances Beauchamp.

Mrs. S. A. Gifford, former president Massachusetts W. C. T. U.

The Oklahoma W. C. T. U. is sorely bereft through their earthly loss of the devoted, capable leader. Friends in Oklahoma have written us of the uplifting influence of her life; they have told us of the smile of triumphant hope with which she passed within "valley and the shadow." Her comrades say that from the Heavenly heights she seems to beckon them on to labor even more diligently. Her husband has sent a message to us that because she so ardently loved the W. C. T. U. he will do what he can to carry out her wishes for the work in Oklahoma. We shall not forget her strong words, her winsome manner, her loyalty to the W. C. T. U., expressed in so many ways.

At the last convention of the World's W. C. T. U. the three Gordon sisters, Alice, Elizabeth and Anna, stood together for a moment upon the platform. It was expected that Mrs. Gullick would give an address during the convention, but those who knew her well felt an inexpressible sadness as they saw her, and they prayed that the health she sought among the Swiss hills might come to her. No woman connected with the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions ever did a greater or nobler work than Mrs. Gullick. The International Institute for girls in Spain is her monument. At the present time 3,000 children in Spain are being taught by former pupils of the International Institute founded and directed by Mrs. Gullick. Some who are here to-day will recall Mrs. Gullick as she participated in the World's convention in Toronto; as she told us of the W. C. T. U. in Spain of which she was the president and introduced a member of the College W. C. T. U., a bright Spanish girl, who surprised us by showing so much knowledge concerning W. C. T. U. affairs. Mrs. Gullick was a great educator, a devoted Christian worker. Among the many eulogies that have been spoken and written by her grateful and admiring friends none have so deeply touched my heart as this line from one of her Spanish pupils, "It is not death to live in thousands of hearts; Mrs. Gullick is immortal."

## FORWARD.

A few days ago we received a letter from Miss Anna Downey, National W. C. T. U. Evangelist; the line that lies between this life and the next was for her fast fading away. She seemed to see only one life, which was the Heavenly. She expressed her belief in the W. C. T. U. and her perfect confidence in the ultimate triumph of our cause; and these are the "wonderful words of life" she quoted for us: "Fear not, little flock" "More than conquerors." Christ-given words that ought ever to inspire Christian reformers; may they inspire us this morning, and deepen in our hearts that faith which will enable us to triumph over our fears; that hope which is founded on the belief of the all-conquering power of Christ; that love which is divinity itself. And so, beloved comrades, may we go forward with an ever brightening, ever heightening purpose to courageously help toward ushering in that better day for humanity, when the mists caused by intemperance and impurity shall be cleared away through the bright shining of God's glory.

## RED-LETTER DAY FOR PEACE.

The third Sabbath in December will be our Red Letter Day for Peace. Let each local Union make an effort to secure its observance by requesting pastors and evangelists to preach sermons in the interests of Peace and Arbitration, or by holding a public meeting in the interests of this reform. Programs for such meetings and literature for distribution can be obtained at cost from the office of the National Peace Department at Winthrop Center, Me. (Send two cent stamp for sample copy of program.)

Although there are "wars and rumors of wars" upon the earth there is a steadily growing sentiment among thinking people in favor of settling differences among nations by arbitration. It is surely high time to relegate the cruelty and barbarism of warfare to the past. Let all White Ribboners take an active part now, more than ever before, in promulgating peace principles among the young as well as older people, and hasten the time so long ago foretold by prophets and sung by angels, when peace and good will and the Golden Rule shall be known and practiced everywhere. Do not forget December 20th, our "Red Letter Day," which so properly just precedes the Christmastide.

HANNAH J. BAILEY,  
Supt. National W. C. T. U. Dpt. Peace and Arbitration.

## A PRO-LIQUOR VIEW.

The following letter from the editor of the *Texas Liquor Dealer* explains itself, and gives the true situation of the liquor situation as viewed from a liquor editor's standpoint:

OFFICE OF TEXAS LIQUOR DEALER,  
122 E. CROCKETT STREET,

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Aug. 3, 1903.

L. G. Adams, Esq., Springfield, Mo.

DEAR SIR—I have your esteemed favor of the 20th ult. The L. D. was correctly quoted. Conditions in Texas may differ from those in Missouri. Texas has become a hot-bed of Prohibition fanaticism. The Democratic party is overwhelmingly in power, controlling every department of the government. Our "local option law," a Democratic measure, is a most nefarious act. The prohibs. are better equipped than the antis can ever expect to be in the education line; they have the pulpits, the preachers, women, Sunday schools and the press. The politicians are afraid of the prohibs. The leading religious papers take the ground that it is a religious and moral question and not a political one—that is their strongest card. Local option prohibition has already captured two-thirds of the State. Had the saloon men organized, as I advocated, eight years ago, the Democratic party would have been compelled to guard the cause of personal liberty.

The Republican party in Texas has openly declared against Prohibition. While in the minority, it still holds a check upon the Democrats. Prohibition has become a burning political issue; it can't be kept down much longer. Any question that must be settled at the ballot box is a political question. The Prohibition party occupies about the third place in the national fight. In Texas we are presented with the spectacle of mobs of women at the voting places, the "W. C. T. U." In almost all communities there are negro voters. In some counties, recently voting Prohibition, the negroes outnumbered the whites, and these women have no hesitancy in electioneering with negro voters. I am a Republican of the "Lily White" variety. I am a Southern man, a resident of Texas for over sixty years, and I can see no other way to stop this disgraceful business but to force it into party politics. I hold the Democratic party responsible for the condition of affairs in Texas. It may be different in your State. The very plan you approve of has been the one operated upon in Texas; we have lost out badly. In Vermont the question was forced into party politics, it split the Republican party, but it won out after fifty years of namby-pamby business. In New Hampshire, also, it was forced into politics and won.

Allow me to thank you for your kind letter.

JAMES P. NEWCOMB.

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Room 915, the Silversmiths Building, 131-137 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill., in charge of Miss Addie A. Austin and Miss Ruby T. Gilbert. Send to these young women for supplies of leaflets, pictures, badges and other W. C. T. U. supplies. All orders will receive prompt attention. Miss Austin has attended a number of our Indiana State Conventions as a representative of the W. T. P. A., having in charge the literature table at our conventions. Many of us know and love her.

### LIQUOR MEN NEED MONEY—A "WAR TAX" PLAN ADOPTED BY NATIONAL CONVENTION—TO GO INTO FORCE JAN. 1.

*Truth*, the well-known liquor trade champion of Detroit, Mich., describes at length the new stamp act "war tax" which the recent convention at Pittsburg adopted as the best means whereby to raise a \$100,000 fund to fight Prohibition and defend the trade's interests. What *Truth* says is of vital interest. It is as follows:

"The plan is simply this: For the retailer to demand of the wholesaler that he place on each package sold to him a label issued by the National Retail Liquor Dealers' Association, and which will be sold to the wholesale trade at the rate of one cent for every case of whisky or domestic wine, two cents for every barrel of liquor and three cents for every half barrel.

"The money derived from the sale of these labels to go into a general defense fund for the protection of the trade at any and all points where it may be attacked.

"As we said before, the plan is a feasible one, and will rest entirely with the retailer whether it will be a successful way to raise a defense fund for the entire trade, for whatever is of benefit to the retailer must of necessity be a benefit to the wholesaler as well.

"The plan is in its infancy, and is still crude; it will not be put in force until January 1 next, and the committee having the plan in hand will undoubtedly smooth down any objectionable features that may present themselves.

"It is expected that this plan will realize at least one hundred thousand dollars a year, which will be used solely for the defense of the wholesale and retail liquor trade when attacked by temperance fanatics."

### THE USELESSNESS OF THE SALOON.

The proof which any business must give of its right to live is that a legitimate demand by the people for what it produces has brought it into existence and contributed to its growth. The business that cannot bring this proof is either wasting the people's substance or is a natural enemy to their best interest. To put it in a shorter way, an industry has a right to the respect and protection of the law only when a need has created it. Not mere demand, but need, must create supply. When we bring the liquor traffic before this judgment bar it stands condemned.

First, take the milling business. The need of the people for cheaper and better breadstuffs has built the flour mills of the country. This need in turn has created a demand for a greater number of mills to grind the wheat. Suppose that every flour mill in the United States should burn down to-day. A cry would go up all over the land. Flour mills would spring up again as by magic. Why? Because bread is a necessity and wheat must be ground. In this case the need has created the business. This gives the mill the right to stand as a friend to man.

Again, take the shoe industry. We must have shoes. Every winter would bring intense suffering, and even death, to thousands, if people were compelled to go with naked feet. Burn down every shoe factory and millions of bleeding feet would cry out in mute appeal for protection. The shoe man, then, has built his factory to meet a real need, and so he has a natural and legitimate place in society.

Further, consider the mining of coal. The frantic cry of a half-frozen people as a result of the anthracite coal strike is proof enough that coal is a necessity.

Burn out every shaft and flood every mine and thousands of factories and homes would dig into the earth in a night. Why? Because fuel is a necessity. In this case, also, it was a need that digged the coal mine. This stands the test and must remain to bless mankind. And God's power is abroad to make strong the arm and true the heart of the man who digs and strikes and blasts at the peril of his life for the comfort and happiness of his brother.

Can the traffic in liquor prove its right to live by this argument? Let us see. It is plain that this business exists and expands, not by meeting a need, but by creating an abortive, unnatural craving for that which brings only mildew and death. Need had no place here. It was the cold metallic fist of calculating greed that built the distillery and the brewery, and only when life is distorted and prostrated can it enlarge itself. It reverses the order of legitimate barter and trade. It lives and grows fat, not upon merit, but by bribery. It feeds only the raving of a hellish mania. The people live not by or through it, but in spite of it. Raze every brewery and distillery to the ground and what would be the result? No real need or comfort or opportunity would be taken from the people. On the other hand, comforts and opportunity and power and happiness would be multiplied a thousand fold. The liquor traffic is not an industry, but a criminal. It has not one natural right—not one.

Could this prayer of ours for the extermination of the saloon but be a fact—a reality—what a day it would be!

The whole country would feel the change and new hope would be born in a day. Laws would be more easily enforced. Sober, reasonable men would work out the problem of capital and labor. Life would be prolonged and the church would go forward with strides of power.

It is possible to drive the liquor traffic to its last trench and end its life, and that within ten years. When it is once put down and three generations have lived down its hereditary influence, it can never be resurrected. When that day comes, and come it will, many other problems will have been solved by the universal sweep of conscience that caused its overthrow.

—By Byron C. Piatt.

### HOW ALCOHOL KILLS.

Mr. Nelson, the most distinguished of English actuaries, after long and careful investigations and comparisons, ascertained by actual experiences the following astounding facts:

Between the ages of fifteen and twenty, where ten total abstainers die, eighteen moderate drinkers die.

Between the ages of twenty and thirty, where ten total abstainers die, thirty-one moderate drinkers die.

Between the ages of thirty and forty, where ten total abstainers die, forty moderate drinkers die.

Or, expressing the fact in another form, he says:

A total abstainer twenty years old has the chance of living forty-four years longer, or until sixty-four years old.

A moderate drinker has the chance of living fifteen and one-half years longer, or until thirty-five and one-half years old.

A total abstainer thirty years old has the chance of living thirty-six and one-half years longer, or until sixty-six and one-half years old.

A moderate drinker thirty years old has the chance of living thirteen and one-half years longer, or until forty-three and three-fourths years old.

A total abstainer forty years old has the chance of living twenty-eight and one-fourth years longer, or until sixty-eight and one-half years old.

A moderate drinker forty years old has a chance of living eleven and two-thirds years longer, or until fifty-one and one-half years old.—*Exchange*.

### HADLEY SCHOOL.

The new Board of Control for Hadley Industrial School is willing to sacrifice, to plan and to economize, but we need the support and help of every Indiana W. C. T. U. Our present financial condition is as follows: Five cents in bank and a little over \$250 due now for work, hardware, etc. The girls all healthy and happy and doing good work in school.

MATTIE E. H. CHANDLER.

I promised you a history of our W. C. T. U. city missionary work. We found that there were so many people sick, sorrowing, distressed and poor that need to be ministered unto, that we wished and wished for a deaconess, but none came. Then we sighed for a city missionary and visiting nurse, for we busy housekeepers could not always "drop everything" and go.

A young lady who had some experience in hospitals, but who was hardly strong enough to take the training for a professional nurse, heard of our wants and made us an offer. Now she belongs to us. We pay her a salary. She conducts the L. T. L. meetings, visits the sick, spends an hour in bathing a patient, helping to re-arrange the bed, directing the preparation of food or doing what her hands find to do. She goes to the sorrowing, bereaved or shut-in, reads and prays, carries flowers, leaflets, magazines and delicacies. Needy cases are relieved or reported to proper authorities. Any one may notify her of need for her services, but where calls conflict, a committee of members of the union decide her duties. If she has time to spend a day or two with those who are able to pay a nurse, but cannot secure one, the money thus earned comes direct to the W. C. T. U., but we do not take such cases if anyone else can be secured. So far no money has been drawn from our treasury for her salary. Donations have been liberal for this special work and a number of people are contributing regularly 25, 50, 75 cents or \$1 per month. I heartily recommend this work to all white ribboners, for she assisted in four departments: Flower Mission, Evangelistic, Literature and L. T. L. All her work in the first three is reported to the proper department superintendent.

As I am a native Hoosier, I send greetings to my sisters of the W. C. T. U. From my old home county—Dearborn—we have lately gained two staunch white ribboners, Mrs. Reiboldt and Miss Edith Shockley, late of Moores Hill, now with Ashland College.

AGNES RADSPINNER EIFORT,  
Ashland, Ky.

### LAFAYETTE UNION IS WORKING.

The W. C. T. U., united with two other organizations, are giving the Civic Lecture Course in West LaFayette. The Union has already sold more than enough tickets to pay their share for the course. The Menckley Quartette, first number of the course, was thoroughly enjoyed by all present on October 31. A number of the W. C. T. U. ladies met, with their husbands, at the Alliance Meeting, November 4th. Prof. Alford gave the evening's address, "The Liquor Question in Foreign Lands." The talk was very interesting, for Prof. Alford had made a careful study of the problem during his past summer travels. Prof. Greene afterwards gave a number of pointed facts and practical suggestions. The regular monthly meeting of W. C. T. U. was with Mrs. Snyder, November 6, and the report for the State Convention was heard by a large number of ladies. They expressed themselves as pleased with the good work that had been done, and are ready to begin the new year with renewed vigor. About twenty-two members were added to the roll during the past year, and they decided to hold another contest for gaining new members.

MINNIE M. HALE,  
Supt. Press Dept.

### NOTICE.

Miss Alice R. Palmer of Franklin, our State Treasurer, has entire charge of the mailing list for the MESSAGE. If you do not receive your paper promptly, notify her and she will gladly investigate. Send all names of subscribers and all communications concerning the change of addresses to Miss Palmer.



immigrants who came annually during those years, the majority of whom used alcoholic liquors.

The Committee of Fifty, in claiming that there are no results of this instruction, has ignored testimony as to the beneficial results upon individuals, homes and communities, shown by careful canvass of one of our largest states (New York), which testimony was placed in the hands of every member of the Committee of Fifty nearly eight months before the publication of their report.

In conclusion, it should be said that the report of the Committee of Fifty is an unjustifiable attack upon the system of the temperance education that has helped make our nation the admiration of the world, and the charge that the teaching of the indorsed school physiologies is unscientific is unsustained by any evidence they bring forward. While there is much valuable material in the experimental work reported by the Committee, the attacks upon this instruction are unwarranted by the facts and unjustifiable from the standpoint of principle. The defense of moderate drinking made by the Committee of Fifty is subtle and sophistical. As representatives of the mothers of the children in the public schools under this instruction, who know the good it is doing, we utter our solemn and emphatic protest against any attempt to minimize or remove it. We agree with the Committee of Fifty that they will find it no easy task to do so and that in such an effort they will be compelled to reckon with the mothers and best citizens of the nation.

#### FRANCHISE.

I was so glad to meet so many of you at the convention at Hartford City and wish we might have had more time to talk and that more of you might have been there—but however it be, let us resolve to show the State what we can do. This department, more than any other, should develop women, and I hope I may have many rivals for the state superintendency next year. Let not your enthusiasm gained at these meetings bubble up while at convention and then settle down for the remainder of the year.

I would recommend this coming year:

1. That all county presidents appoint county superintendents of this department—that local presidents do the same, and that these names be sent to me. Will you do this, dear friend?
2. I would recommend that the wearing of the yellow ribbon with the white be urged—nay, insisted upon.
3. That each Union hold at least one franchise meeting a quarter, if at all practicable, using the topics suggested in the National leaflet for paper or discussion, so that we may meet the subject intelligently.
4. That county and local superintendents write to me for instructions.
5. That a diligent use be made of the press for franchise items and articles.
6. That a new and thorough canvass of the State be made preparatory to asking the elective franchise of the State Legislature at its next session.

Some suggested subjects for research:

1. Status of Women in Ancient Times.
2. Status of Women at the Present Time.
3. Women in the Professions.
4. Women in the Commercial World.
5. Women in Philanthropy and Reform.
6. Women and Christianity.
7. Women in the Home.
8. Legal Status of Women.
9. Women in Government.
10. The Proper Education of Women.
11. Why Women Need the Ballot.
12. Why the Ballot Needs Women.

A full set of leaflets on the subject may be secured by addressing the *Woman's Journal*, 3 Park street, Boston, Mass. Price, ten cents.

Let us keep account of everything we do, so that we may report it. I shall be very glad to hear from any friend regarding this work, that we may make it a great success. Any one desiring to subscribe to the *Woman's Journal* at \$1.50 a year send your name to me.

PEARL RALL, L. L. B.,  
State Supt. of Franchise.

"May our young women stand for the same code of morals for men and women, and we want them to create higher ideals of manhood and womanhood; to learn more about themselves and their personal value, that they may be stronger, morally and physically, and friends and companions to nobler, purer lives."

#### THE PRESS.

Now that the annual Convention, are numbered with the yesterdays, let us not lose any of our zeal or rest on our oars, but with Faith in God and our work let us press on and with renewed energy push the battle to the gates, and God will bless our efforts. Let us urge the County Presidents to see that there is an efficient County Press Superintendent in every County and please, somebody, send me her name, so that I may know to whom to send the blank reports, and let me urge the County Press Superintendent to see to it that there is an efficient, energetic Press Superintendent in each Local Union in your County. I wish I could impress upon your minds the great importance of the Press work. No influence is at present so persuasive as the printers' ink. The press of to day binds us into one great people, molds us into one plan and purpose. Let us educate the people in our work, tell to the world what we are doing and want to do, and by God's help will do. The aim of our Department is two-fold: First, to present to

editors and the various press associations the importance of publishing temperance truth, and the progress of the W. C. T. U. as the largest and most representative organization of women in the world. Second, to supply all papers that would use them with suitable articles and paragraphs of this character. Sisters of Indiana, use the Press. Please send me names of Superintendents at an early date.

LAURA G. CAMMACK.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

DEAR SUPERINTENDENTS—Greetings to all of you, and success to your efforts for 1904. It gives me pleasure to report to the 151 Superintendents of this department in Indiana that we have gained more victories and made greater advancements in the State this year than in any year since I have served you as State Superintendent.

We not only won the National prize again, but there were distributed and signed more Sabbath Pledges in Indiana this year than in all of the States combined last year. These are encouraging facts, and should inspire us to greater efforts in the future for the success of this department.

To you, dear Superintendents, is given the task of arousing an interest in your respective communities. Please equip yourselves with literature and information, that you may enlist every union, church and young people's society in your county.

KATIE WERT HOLLER,  
State Superintendent.

MISS ANNA DOWNEY, Evangelist of the National W. C. T. U., died in Ottawa, Kas., and was brought to Greencastle, this State, for burial.

Miss Downey's early life was spent in Greencastle, where her father was for fifteen years a professor in Asbury, now DePauw University. She became a Christian when quite young, and during her college life she and two other young women had a season of prayer with Mrs. L. O. Robinson, and each there consecrated herself to the service of God. Great indeed to the world has been the result of the work of that hour.

Miss Downey was a graduate of DePauw University and afterwards a teacher in it, which position she resigned to enter the Evangelistic work of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She was the first woman in the United States to receive the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology.

A woman of charming personality, fine education, a thorough Biblical scholar, deeply spiritual and a fascinating speaker, Miss Downey was a great power in winning souls for Christ.

A most beautiful and impressive funeral service was held in Locust Street M. E. Church, Dr. H. A. Gobin and Dr. J. P. D. John officiating.

The Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Club, of which she was a member, had charge of the arrangements, and the College Chapter attended in a body.

The casket was lavender colored—no black was used.

The floral gifts were magnificent. Upon the casket laid that from the local W. C. T. U. with its long white satin streamers.

**Liquor Selling** is prohibited in the following States by counties and towns:

- Alabama, fifty out of sixty-six counties.
- Arkansas, fifty out of seventy-five counties.
- California, 175 towns and cities.
- Colorado, fifty towns and cities.
- Connecticut, seventy-five out of 125 towns.
- Delaware, half the State.
- Florida, thirty out of forty-five counties.
- Georgia, all of the State except four cities.
- Illinois, 650 towns and cities.
- Indiana, 140 towns.
- Iowa, all of the State except twenty-five cities.
- Kentucky, ninety out of 119 counties.
- Louisiana, twenty out of fifty-nine counties.
- Maryland, fifteen out of twenty-four counties.
- Massachusetts, 125 out of 175 towns.
- Michigan, 400 towns and cities.
- Minnesota, 400 towns and cities.
- Mississippi, seventy-one out of seventy-five counties.
- Missouri, eighty-four out of 115 counties.
- Nebraska, 250 towns and cities.
- New Jersey, 200 towns and cities.
- New York, 700 towns and cities.
- Ohio, 500 towns and cities.
- Pennsylvania, 600 towns and cities and twenty counties.
- Rhode Island, twenty towns and cities.
- Tennessee, seventy out of ninety-six counties.
- Texas, 120 out of 246 counties.
- Virginia, fifty-five out of 106 counties.
- West Virginia, forty out of fifty-four counties.
- Washington, fifty towns and cities.
- Wisconsin, 300 towns and cities.
- Maine, Kansas and North Dakota are under State prohibitory law.
- The Carolinas have that infamous dispensary system.

#### LIFE MEMBERSHIP.

Mrs. Hattie Steckel becomes a life member of the Indiana W. C. T. U. by the payment of twenty-five dollars. How happy we are to welcome this sweet-faced, beautiful character into the ranks of life members.

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Dr. Sarah Elliot, of Salt Lake City, then told of the degradation of women through Mormonism as seen in their homes by herself as a physician.

Miss Olive Christian Malvery, of India, spoke in excellent English, of the licensed liquor traffic of America, telling in an eloquent and thrilling manner of what she had seen in England and America, the Christian nations. In her own, her heathen land, she had never seen a drunken man or woman. In a most beautiful and pathetic manner she told how she looked not to the Christian, but to the Christ.

Mrs. Marie C. Brehm, President of Illinois W. C. T. U., was the last speaker. In a forceful and convincing manner she showed the comparative expenditures of this nation for alcoholic liquors, tobacco, churches and schools. It was amazing to know how much our people spend for drink and tobacco, and how little for religious and educational purposes. In closing she made an appeal for help for the National W. C. T. U.

Thus closed one of the most enthusiastic, interesting services of the Convention. The sympathy and co-operation of the Pastor, Dr. Blodgett, who stands with us for Prohibition, added much to the great success of the meeting.

#### GRAND DIAMOND MEDAL CONTEST.

On Saturday evening of the Convention, for the first time in the history of our Oratorical Contest Department, was held a Grand Diamond Medal Contest. Only those holding diamond medals were eligible. There were eight contestants: Miss Ina Coggeshall, Indiana; Mrs. Clara Balch, Kentucky; Miss Jean Boyd Starr, Mass.; Miss Daisy B. Kistler, Ohio; Earl Palma Daniel, Illinois; Clifton Fowler, Missouri; James P. Hughes, Michigan; Arthur Manuel, Minnesota.

Never has there been so great ability in a contest. The judges had an arduous task. Mr. Arthur Manuel, of Minnesota, was the winner of the medal. The great number of Indiana people present were very proud of Miss Ina Coggeshall, who is an orator of marked ability. She speaks with ease, grace and forcefulness most unusual in one so young.

#### STATE JUBILEE NIGHT

was greatly enjoyed by an immense audience. Eleven states had made a net gain of over five hundred regular members who had paid dues this year. In seven minutes each the Presidents of these states told of the greatest victories for temperance in their states during the year.

When some of the Presidents of states stopped speaking the delegation would arise and sing a verse of their State song. This was inspiring and much enjoyed by the convention, especially when Pennsylvania, with forty-one delegates and New York with over fifty delegates, sang enthusiastically of their victories.

The strong legislative work done in most of these states is surprising to those of us who live in rum cursed Indiana.

The following states made a net gain of five hundred or over: Virginia, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, New York, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri, California (Southern), Texas, and Washington (East.)

#### PLATFORM NIGHT

on Tuesday evening was of great interest on account of the prominent speakers, who were: Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, National Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction; Miss Olive Christian Malvery, India, and Miss Belle Kearney of Mississippi.

#### LETTER FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT

DEAR SISTERS—The State and National Conventions of 1903 are now matters of history. We have had our Harvest Home of the old year, and are entering on the work of a new one. If our coming together has made us stronger in the principles of our organization, brought us nearer Christ and made us more determined to "be strong and be of good courage," it has not been in vain. I trust that every Indiana woman will remember our call for this year—1,000 new members, 10,000 pledge signers, 650 medal contests—and each one work that this may be accomplished. The success of the year's work depends largely upon the local unions.

The National Woman's Christian Union has purchased the *Union Signal*, so now it belongs to us, which it has never done before. It will be printed weekly, in Evanston, and sent out from our own headquarters, Rest Cottage. The subscription price is one dollar per year, with no club or reduced rates of any kind. Our subscription list in Indiana is only six hundred and fifty-three. Let's add one thousand new subscribers for this year. We can do it if each Union will work for it. The *Crusader*, monthly, is ours, too, under the same conditions as the *Union Signal*. The price is 25c per year. Our children need this paper, so let's raise our subscription list for it to one thousand.

I hope each woman will get a copy of the Annual Report. Let each Superintendent of a department write the State Superintendent of that department for her plan of work, and begin work at once. The first quarter is about gone. Do not be idle. If the principles of the W. C. T. U. are right, they are worth working for. Place yourself upon the altar for service, and God will consecrate and sanctify the gift and send you out to do valiant work for him.

Yours for service,

CULLA J. VAYHINGER,  
State President.



## ANTI-NARCOTIC PLAN OF WORK.

I have good news for the Superintendents of this Department. Judge Stubbs of the Indianapolis Juvenile Court, has found that most of the unfortunate children brought before him are victims of the cigarette habit, and has decided that the habit has much to do with the increase in crime among children. Monthly meetings are to be held, that the matter may be discussed in all its phases; plans formulated for the enforcement of the law now in existence; if this law is not strong enough, a stronger one is to be presented to the next Legislature. I have been promised that an effort will be made to place the Placard with the tobacco law in the Indianapolis Public Schools. Much literature for distribution is to be published; in short, every effort is to be made to stamp this vice out of existence in Indianapolis. Now, dear sisters, can we afford to let this movement remain an Indianapolis local affair? or will you help to make this State a good place for boys? This is my plan of work for the coming year. Ask the editors of your daily or weekly papers to print the Indiana Tobacco Law; also something about the effect of tobacco on growing children; cut the article from the paper, paste it upon a petition paper, this paper to be sent to city officials, asking that the tobacco law be enforced. Procure the signature of every woman in your town, if possible. Ask your ministers, teachers, and all your women's clubs to co-operate with you. The sentiment must be strong if you wish success. Place copies of the laws in every school house, and all public buildings, distribute literature among the boys, have a pledge signing campaign; you will be surprised with the help given you by the girls and boys in securing signatures to these pledges. Organize Anti-Cigarette Leagues everywhere. You will find the League work helpful to boys who find the bad habit hard to overcome. Allow no boy in your city to contract this habit in ignorance of the effect it will have on his mind and body; hold Anti-Cigarette contests. If you have no Superintendent of this Department secure one at once, but remember, this is not one woman's work. The alarming increase of this vile habit, and its degenerating effect upon our children makes it a part of each department of W. C. T. U. work. I have confidence in your interest in this work and in your ability to help. Do not disappoint me.

ELIZABETH SMITH.

**The National Liquor Dealers' Association** has made a bold advance in hiring Senator Thurston, a brilliant orator and astute lawyer, as its Washington agent. He will be heard in committees of Congress as no agent of the liquor traffic has ever been before. He will send out abler editorials in defense of drink than newspapers ever before published. Let temperance men meet this move by endowing a lecturer equally eloquent and sending him out with no dependence on collections to speak everywhere his fearless words to such great crowds as greet him in his own Rochester. I refer to Mr. C. N. Howard, the Reform Bureau's "Platform Advocate Against the Saloon." The Bureau being non-partisan will get abundant hearings for him if the financial part is provided for, and all who know Mr. Howard and the Bureau know the message will be an uncompromising call to fight the saloon with votes as well as prayers. Every dollar contributed for this purpose will go to this work. At present Mr. Howard, as a business man, can give only spare hours to addresses for which remunerative opportunities are abundant. But he should be called to give up business entirely and speak every day to mass meetings, colleges, conventions. His address, "The National Problem," is one of the greatest temperance addresses I ever heard and should be heard not only where it is wanted, but still more where it is needed.—*New Voice*.

WILBUR F. CRAFTS,

Superintendent of the International Reform Bureau, Washington, D. C.

## FIELD NOTES.

**Swayzee, Grant County**, is ready for a Premium lecture on account of a gain of ten last quarter.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Houghton** has been in Dearborn County at the expense of the State, doing excellent work among the new Unions.

**The Presidents of Dearborn and Grant Counties** are each entitled to a prize of \$2.00 for organizing a Union of ten members.

**Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley** had secured twenty-three new members in four weeks after the close of the State Convention. O, that all of our workers could report as many!

**Officers of the Edwardsport Union** elected September 9: President, Mrs. Julia Hoover; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Lee; Treasurer, Mrs. Flora S. Bartlett.

**The Frankfort Union** sold eight hundred copies of the Cook Books they compiled, and the calls for more were so urgent they are having five hundred more printed. They solicited advertisements to pay for the printing.

**Morgan County Officers:** President, Mrs. Lucy Walls, Martinsville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sophia Toner, Martinsville; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Malinda Rinker, Brooklyn; Treasurer, Mrs. Rhoda Wilhite, Monrovia.

**St. Joseph County Convention** was held in the First Baptist Church, South Bend. Excellent reports of the year's work were given and short talks by the Presidents of local Unions showed the work to be in excellent condition. A fine address on Sabbath Observance was given by Mrs. Kathryn Wert Holler, followed by the election of officers as follows: President, Mrs. C. Fassnacht; Vice-President, Mrs. Sharpless; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Weld; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Locke; Treasurer, Mrs. Barnard.

**The Sunday School Department** of the Guilford Union carried out a little program at the Guilford M. E. Sunday School on World's Temperance Sunday. In place of general exercises after the recitation of the lesson the following was given with good effect: Recitation, Miss Florence Smith; song by four little children; Recitation, ten-year-old Ruth Kroft; Solo by Mrs. Ella Kroft, the pastor's wife, and also our newly elected County President. Signatures were secured to the S. S. pledge and the anti-cigarette pledge.

**Moores Hill Union** held a double medal contest the evening of November 19th. The medal for oratory was won by Miss Ruth Edmonds. The one for singing was won by Miss Lottie Shultz, both of Moores Hill. The one boy on the contest, Clayton Mulford, deserves especial mention for the excellent delivery of his oration. It was his first appearance and we expect some day to see him wearing all the medals. Moores Hill expects to do her share in holding 650 contests in the state this year.

**Lapel Union** has recently revived and has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. W. H. Hopkins; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary S. Wright; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Edith V. Cascadden. Mrs. Hopkins is well known to many of the W. C. T. U. workers, having at one time been President of the Kokomo Union.

**Farmers' Union of Wabash County** is holding public meetings once a month on Sunday afternoon. The second one held was November 8th at the Friends' Church, three miles southwest of Wabash. The report of the State Convention was given by Mrs. Cooper. The President, Mrs. Unger, read a report of the Liquor Dealers' Convention held recently. Rev. Lewis, pastor of the Friends' Church, then addressed the meeting. He is a firm friend of the W. C. T. U. and very helpful to the cause. The L. T. L.'s help to make these meetings interesting with songs and recitations. We believe great good may be accomplished by this method. Mrs. Cooper, Secretary.

**Regular bi-weekly meeting** of the Sycamore W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Francis Gentry, Thursday, November 12. The subject for discussion was: Thanksgiving Day, and how shall we spend it? Led by Mrs. Della Allen and Franley Gentry. The Union decided that the best way for its members to spend Thanksgiving was to help others to be thankful. Plans were formulated to further this end Mrs. Lizzie Windsor was the guest of honor, as she is to leave for California in a short time. A delicious lunch was served. The favors were crystallized paper tulips, to which an appropriate Scripture text was fastened with a white ribbon. Sycamore W. C. T. U. has in its membership seven young ladies who say that they do not want a Y. branch, as they can work to a better advantage with the older women.

**Frankfort Union** held an old fashioned "Spelling Shule" in Willard Hall, November 20th. A splendid program of music and an original poem by Mrs. M. B. Thrasher. Recitations by Mrs. Emma Scryer furnished an entertainment alone that was well worth the ten cents admittance. The High School Octette was invited and rendered several selections which was highly appreciated, as was shown by the hearty applause given them. Rev. Ogden, pastor of the M. E. Church, pronounced the words for us, using McGuffie's Speller. In the spell down Prof. Mitchell, Principal of the High School, won the honors. We served rosy apples at recess. A large crowd of young people were present. Invitations were sent to all the teachers and their scholars in the public schools. A neat sum was realized for our treasury, and good seed sown for our cause.

**Noble County W. C. T. U. convention** was held at LaOtto.

Mrs. Mollie Gorrell welcomed the visiting delegates in behalf of the LaOtto W. C. T. U. Mrs. Etta Holferty, of Avilla, responded.

In the absence of the State worker, Rev. W. W. Clay, of Albion, kindly consented to present the subject, The Tobacco Problem. "Unity of Church and Temperance" was presented by Rev. E. Guthrie, of LaOtto, followed by Rev. W. E. Holopeter, of Avilla. Miss Maud Gorrell, of LaOtto, spoke on the subject, "The Company That Young Girls Should Keep."

The convention closed with an L. T. L. Oratorical Contest. It was conducted by the County President, Mrs. Nora Nowells. Mrs. W. C. Mummert, of Wawaka, sang two very fine solos.

Miss Rowena Fitch was awarded the silver medal.

**Lake County** held a successful convention in Hammond. The usual routine business was transacted. Mrs. Ada Lynch, of Lowell, read a fine paper on "Pointers;" the Y's had one hour of the program and received many compliments for the way in which they filled it; pastors of several of the churches were present with words of cheer and greeting; there was nice music and in the evening Miss Louise Hollister, of Evanston, gave a telling address on "The Flag and the Patriot." Miss Hollister is a choice speaker, and at the close of her address several new names were added to the membership roll of both the W's and the Y's. The following officers and superintendents will serve for the year: President, Mrs. E. H. Mudge, Hammond; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Edith Miller, Hammond; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ada Lynch, Lowell; Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah Clark, Lowell; Superintendents—Evangelistic, Mrs. Ruth Williams, Hammond; Jail and prison, Mrs. Elizabeth Bruge, Crown Point; Literature, Mrs. E. C. Harrison, Lowell; Non-Alcoholic Medication, Mrs. Dr. Jackson, Hammond; Flower Mission, Mrs. J. P. Merrill, Crown Point; L. T. L. and Sunday School work, Mrs. Sarah Clark, Lowell; Press, Mrs. E. H. Mudge, Hammond.

**At Lapel, W. H. Boles**, the well known temperance orator, is conducting a series of gospel temperance meetings under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. The various churches where the meetings are held are crowded nightly, many being turned away. The meetings are enthusiastic ones, people of all parties and creeds applauding. Of course Mr. Boles makes hits in all directions, but his words carry weight, and the crowds continue to come.

**Mrs. Elma Thayer Tribbley** writes: "Knowing of your personal acquaintance with our dear friend, Mrs. Jennie Erwin, and of the many readers of THE MESSAGE who knew and loved her, I write to tell you of her going away from us to a better land. Dear Aunt Jennie went to rest October 22d, after many weeks of great suffering. She was so patient and brave, and so ready to trust all to God who has been so much to her. She left loving, hopeful messages to all W. C. T. U. friends. Her life was a life of noble deeds and her mind a store house of rich thoughts. We of Marshall County shall miss her more than words can tell. May her mantle fall on some one capable of carrying on her life work."

**Mrs. Fanny J. Clary** has again been nominated for the Massachusetts Legislature by the Prohibitionists of the First Hampshire representative district. She is so popular in the district that last year she raised the Prohibition vote from about 75 to 500, and defeated one of the Democratic candidates. Her supporters claim that, while the State Constitution debars women from voting, it does not bar them from being members of the Legislature. It is desired to make a test case. Mrs. Clary has written a very good letter of acceptance. There is no doubt that she would make a better member of the Legislature than some men who have served in that august body.

**Frances Willard Union** held its October meeting at the home of Mrs. Victor, 1502 North Missouri street, Indianapolis. Dr. Vest, pastor of Hall Place Church, also Dr. Henderson of the Fourth Christian Church, gave short but enthusiastic and encouraging addresses. Mr. and Miss Victor sang a beautiful duet, which, for its touching words, as well as the sweet voices of the singers—brought tears to the eyes of the listeners. There were other interesting features, after which our hostess served a most dainty lunch. The newly elected officers are: Mrs. Estelle Bennett, President; Mrs. Scott, Vice President; Mrs. Mary Schadd, Treasurer; Mrs. Zetta Bennett Keffer, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Dotia Dougherty, Recording Secretary.

**Huntington County Union** held their County Convention with the members of the Warren Union October 1st and 2d. The meeting was opened with County President Mrs. Roll in the chair; devotional exercises led by Mrs. Newcomb, of Huntington. Local Presidents made good reports of work done by Unions, as did also Superintendents of departments. Thursday evening Mrs. Stanley gave an eloquent address. Friday morning the election of officers resulted in the following: President, Mrs. Lou E. Roll, Huntington; Vice-President, Mrs. J. L. Ray, Warren; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alice Fry, Andrews; Treasurer, Mrs. O. W. Whitelock, Huntington; Recording Secretary, Martha Maron, Hunt. The afternoon was taken up with L. T. L. work and around the table talk on "what departments result in the most good to local Unions." The closing number was a consecration and song service. Friday evening a gold and silver medal contest was held. A large audience greeted the speakers. Mrs. Eichorn won the gold medal and Jessie McPherson the silver. The title of Miss McPherson's song was "He is a Drunkard To-Night." Both medals went to Warren.

**Wells County Union** held its annual Convention at Salem in September. The attendance was good, and the interest encouraging. Mrs. Vayhinger was with us, and by her prepossessing manner and heart to heart talks, gave inspiration to the work. Memorial services were held for Sister Todd, of Bluffton, and Sister Tuttle, of Six Mile. In this connection the sweet-faced boy of Sister Martha McBride was mentioned. Although not a member of our Union, he wore the white ribbon because his mother loved to see him wear it. Safely gathered home, he now has joined the angel band, and his going out has saddened the hearts of all who knew him to love him. Reports of work done were encouraging, and showed loyalty to the cause. Mrs. Goodin, our County President, has been untiring in her efforts to advance the work. Handicapped by poor health, at her earnest request she was not re-elected. The following officers were elected: Mrs. D. A. Walmer, President; Mrs. Fred McBride, Vice-President; Mrs. E. Ellingham, Recording Secretary; Mrs. D. T. Smith, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Jennie Bickle, Treasurer. The hospitality of the ladies of Salem is worthy of more than a passing mention, for it was cordial and elaborate.

## IN MEMORIAM.

**MRS. SALLY A. MILLS**, President of the Plainfield Union, has passed from labor to reward. This was her fourth year as President of the Plainfield Union. She had held the same position in the W. C. T. U. where she formerly lived. She was the County Superintendent of Medal Contests, and was energetic and faithful in every place where she was called to work. She never allowed herself to be discouraged by the difficulties in the way or by the indifference of others. She always wore her white ribbon, and urged others to do the same, and the little "Bow of ribbon white" was on her breast when she was laid away, as she requested it might be. The local Union and County have sustained a great loss, as well as the Church to which she belonged. Truly, "She hath done what she could."















